

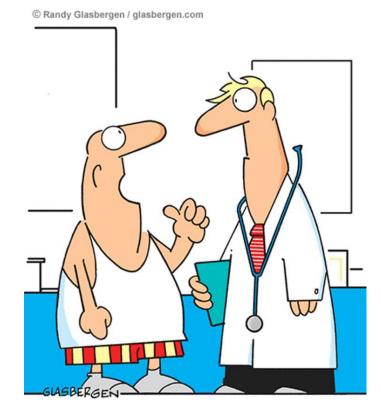
# FOR THE HEALTH OF IT: HEALTHY LIVING PROGRAMS

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#### **Objectives**

- Identify at least three evidence-based programs that can benefit your patients
- Explain key components and potential outcomes of one or more ADRC programs enabling you to effectively refer to the programs.
- Demonstrate the ability to assess which patients may benefit most from ADRC healthy living programs and outline the referral process.

# What are the most common health issues you see in older adult patients?



"I could be a healthy person if you'd stop finding things wrong with me!"

Type in the chat the most common health conditions that you see in your older adult patients

### **ADRC Programs**

- Eat Smart, Move More, Weigh Less
- Healthy Living with Diabetes
- Living Well with Chronic Conditions
- Stepping On
- Walk with Ease- Self Directed

Other High Level Evidence Based Programs

that may be available in your area:

- Mind Over Matter
- Diabetes Prevention Program
- Powerful Tools for Caregivers
- Bingocize
- StrongBodies











#### What is the Older Americans Act (OAA)?

- Enacted in 1965 to support aging populations.
- □ Key focus: Independence, dignity, and well-being of older adults.
- Several Titles make up OAA:
  - > III- B Supportive Services
  - > III-C1 Congregate Nutrition Services
  - > III-C2 Home Delivered Meal Services
  - III-D Health Promotion & Disease Prevention
  - > III-E Caregiver Services
  - Title VI Grants for Native Americans

### **Top Health Concerns**

#### Top Three

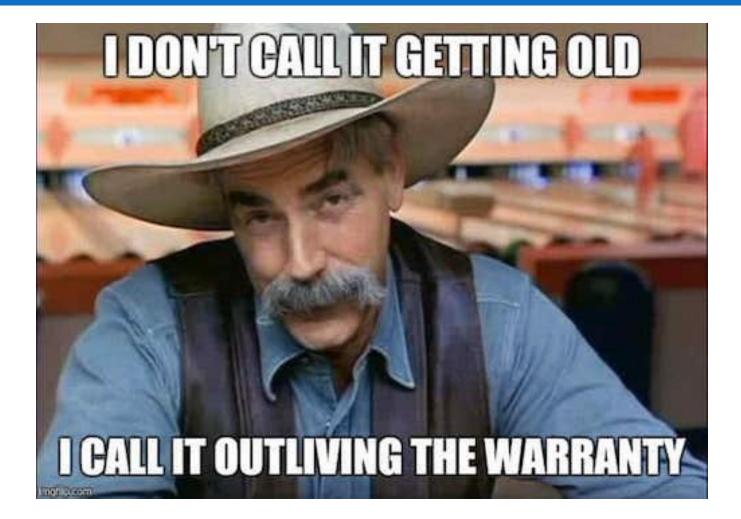
- Arthritis
- Exercise
- > Brain Health & Dementia

Preventing falls was a close 4th









### **Title IIID Programs**

- Funded by the Older American's Act Title III Federal Funding for adults 60+
- High level evidence based
- Offered virtually, in-person or self directed
- Donation based for all 60+ participants
- Trained facilitators include community volunteers & professionals

\*Not every ADRC offers the same programs

## Eat Smart, Move More, Weigh Less

- Partnership between ADRC and North Carolina State University
- □ 15 week *virtual* program
- Focus on weight management strategies including mindful nutrition choices and physical activity.
- Outcomes:
  - Avg weight loss 8-15 lbs.
  - Reduced blood pressure
  - Reduced waist circumference
  - Improved mindfulness
  - 71% of program completers maintain or lose additional wt. at 6 month follow-up.
  - 98% would recommend the program to others



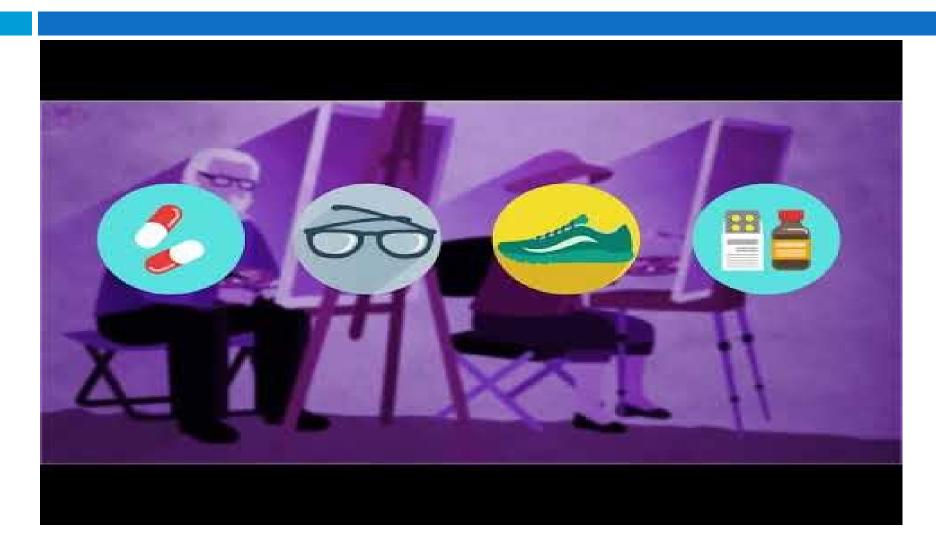
#### **ESMMWL Overview**



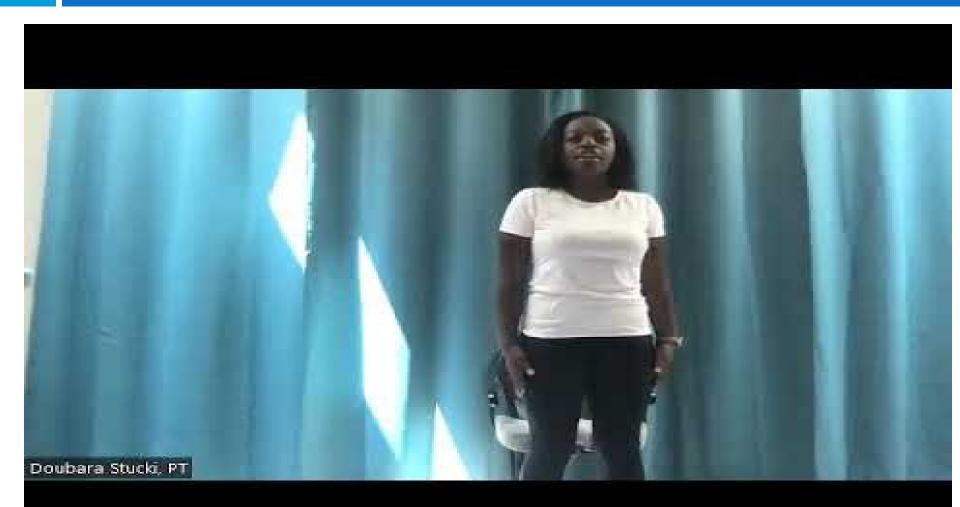
## **Stepping On for Fall Prevention**

- □ 7 weeks in-person with a 3 month follow-up.
- Target audience:
  - > 60+
  - Resides at home/independent living
  - > Ambulates without walker/wheelchair indoors
  - Free from cognitive decline due to dementia
- Topics include: exercise, footwear, medications, home hazards, outdoor precautions, winter weather, vision, adaptive equipment, and more.
- Outcomes: 30% reduction in falls for those completing the program.

#### **Stepping On Overview**

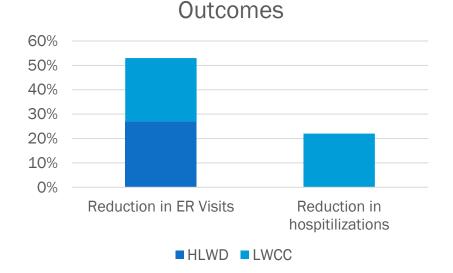


#### **Sit-to-Stand Sample Exercise**



### **Chronic Conditions**

- Living Well with Chronic Conditions (virtual) Healthy Living With Diabetes (in-person)
- 6 week programs.
- Focus is on lifestyle changes, problem solving, communication and action planning. "Action approach"



### **LWCC & HLWD**

#### Living Well with Chronic Conditions Topics:

 Managing fatigue & difficult emotions, problem solving, benefits of exercise, communicating with your medical provider, pain management techniques, decision making, sleep, healthy eating.

#### Healthy Living with Diabetes topics:

 Importance of good nutrition and exercise, communication, stress management, decision making and action planning, sleep.



#### Walk with Ease

- 6 week, self-directed walking program.
- Goal: to improve mobility & endurance, reduce arthritis related joint pain through progressive walking program.
- Outcomes: Reduce pain, increase balance, strength & walking pace, improve overall health.







#### **Other Programs**

#### **Brain Health Programs (Local)**

- Wits Works
- Growing Connections
- Boost Your Brain & Memory
- Transformational Brain Art

#### Other Programs (statewide/US)

- Powerful Tools for Caregivers
- Diabetes Prevention Program
- StrongBodies
- Bingocize
- Stand Up For Your Health
- Mind Over Matter

### Where to find more information

#### **Barron/Rusk**

www.adrcconnections.org

#### Your Local ADRC (WI)

https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/adrc/index.htm

**Other WI Programs** 

wihealthyaging.org

Wisconsin

#### Minnesota

#### https://yourjuniper.org/



#### **Referrals & Questions**



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