# Try-lt-On: Developing Self-Care through Hands-OnTechniques 

Renee Gregg, DNP, FNP-C

## Expected Learning Outcomes

- Recognize signs of stress, anxiety, and burn-out
- Learn skills to prevent anxiety and burn-out
- Utilize hands-on immersion techniques to experience self-care
- Develop a tool kit for holistic, integrative direct patient care for treatment of anxiety and stress.


## Eustress

"Good Stress"
Motivates
"I've got this!"
Performance

## Distress

"Bad Stress"
Depletes
"I can't do this!"
Performance


## Stress

## Burnout

Characterized by overengagement
Emotions are overoctive
Produces urgency and hyperacivivity
Loss of energy
Leads to anxiety disorders
Primary damage is physical

Characterized by disengagement Emotions are blunted Produces helplessness and hopelessness
Loss of motivation Leads to depression Primary damage is emotional


## Covid-19

Every month, frontline health responders around the world need these supplies (and more) to protect themselves and others from \#COVID19

- 89 million masks
- 30 million gowns
- 1.59 million goggles
- 76 million gloves


- 2.9 million liters hand sanitizer




## Running on Empty

Healthcare professionals. including infection preventionists, are being asked to risk their own health and their familles' health to care for us. The federal government must act NOW to secu
more personal protective equipment and coordinate distribution where it's needed most. Every minute matters. Every minute wasted puts more lives at risk.


ABOUT THE SURVEY: APIC conducted an online survey of its 11,922 U.S.-based infection preventionistmembers March $23-25$, 2020. Results shown are based on responses from L.140 infection preventionists located throughout the United States

SOURCES OF SUPPLEMENTAL
PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Healthcare facilities are actively trying to access supplemental PPE through varied means




N/A




## An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Whave
-Benjamin FrankCín

## Acupressure

- A form of Chinese medicine
- Same principles as acupuncture
- Sends a "signal" to "turn on" self-healing or regulatory mechanisms.
- Stimulation of meridians promotes healing and wellness



## Acupressure:

## Pressure Point Extra-1 (Yin Tang) Relieves anxiety

- Sit back in a comfortable position.
- Place your right thumb or forefinger between your eyebrows
- Apply pressure in a circular motion on this point for 5 to 10 minutes. The pressure should be gentle and shouldn't cause discomfort.
- You can do acupressure on this point several times a day, or as needed for your symptom to go away.



## Acupressure

Stress
Anxiety
Neck pain
Lower back pain
Headaches
Sinus pain
Dental pain $n_{7, \text { s. }, 4,4}$


## Yoga for Stress

Stabilizes the autonomic system Reduces stress hormones Releases endorphins 7 , $8,9,20,12$


## Highly Indicated:

- Stress management
- Positive mental health
- Depression
- Back pain
- Neck pain
- Knee pain

May Improve:

- Osteoarthritis
- Fibromyalgia
- Migraine
$7,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18$
- Physical Benefits:

Brain growth
Serotonin and Dopamine

I
Cortisol
BP and HR
Aging

Mental Benefits:
$\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Increases happiness } \\ \text { Increases ability to learn } \\ \text { Increases empathy and compassion }\end{array}\right.$
Reduces stress ${ }^{7,16,17,18,19,20}$


## Meditation Literally Rewires your Brain!

Brain scans of people who meditate regularly show:
$\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Brain tissue density associated wit } \\ \text { Blood markers for inflammation } \\ \text { Loss of brain white matter (aging) }\end{array}\right.$

Brain area associated with empathy
Brain tissue in relaxation areas $7,16,17,18,19,20$

## Meditation

Anxiety
Depression
Headaches
Knee pain
Back pain
Neck Pain
Fibromyalgia $7,2,6,7,7,8,8,9,20$

- https://arizona.hosted.panopto.com/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?i d=c7fe4e5d-39d6-4ad8-8of8-ab8fo186dc1a


## Help is Here!

- National Alliance on Mental Illness at 800-950-NAMI
- SAMHSA Hotline at 800-662-HELP
- National Suicide Hotline at 800-273-TALK
- Covid-19 Anxiety Management Program
- Free to HCP's
- https://www.talkspace.com/


YOU WOULDN'T LET THIS happen to your phone. DON' LET IT HAPPEN TO YOU EITHER.
SELF CARE IS A PRIORITY. NOT A LUXURY.

## Reference

7. Mehta P, Dhapte V, Kadam S, Dhapte V. Contemporary acupressure therapy: Adroit cure for painless recovery of therapeutic ailments. Journal of traditional and complementary medicine. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5388088/. Published July 22, 2016. Accessed March 6, 2020.
8. Mehta P, Dhapte V, Kadam S, Dhapte V. Contemporary acupressure therapy: Adroit cure for painless recovery of therapeutic ailments. Journal of traditional and complementary medicine. https://www.ncbi.nIm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5388088/. Published July 22, 2016. Accessed March 6, 2020.

Looking for pain relief that's not in a pill? Mayo Clinic. https://www.mayoclinic.org/integrative-approaches-treating-pain/art-20367933. Published October 31, 2017. Accessed March 6, 2020.
0. Qaseem A, Wilt TJ, McLean RM, Forciea MA. Noninvasive Treatments for Acute, Subacute, and Chronic Low Back Pain: A Clinical Practice Guideline From the American College of Physicians. Annals of Internal Medicine. https://annals.org/aim/fullarticle/2603228/noninvasive-treatments-acute-subacute-chronic-low-back-pain-clinical-practice. Published April 4, 2017. Accessed March 6, 2020.

## Reference

11. Noninvasive Treatments for Low Back Pain: Current State of the Evidence. Effective Health Care Program. https://effectivehealthcare.ahrq.gov/products/back-pain-treatment/clinician. Published November 15, 2016. Accessed March 6, 2020.
12. Vallath N. (2010). Perspectives on yoga inputs in the management of chronic pain. Indian journal of palliative care, 16(1), 1-7. doi:10.4103/09731075.63127
13. Sharma VM, Manjunath NK, Nagendra HR, Ertsey C. Combination of Ayurveda and Yoga therapy reduces pain intensity and improves quality of life in patients with migraine headache. Complementary therapies in clinical practice. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/30057065. Published August 2018. Accessed March 6, 2020.
14. Boccia M, Piccardi L, Guariglia P. The Meditative Mind: A Comprehensive Meta-Analysis of MRI Studies. Biomed Res Int. 2015;2015:419808. doi:10.1155/2015/419808
15. Wang $Y$, Lu S, Wang R, et al. Integrative effect of yoga practice in patients with knee arthritis: A PRISMA-compliant meta-analysis. Medicine. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pübmed/30075589. Published August 2018. Accessed March 6, 2020.
Gu Q, Hou J-C, Fang X-M. Mindfulness Meditation for Primary Headache Pain: A Meta-Analysis. Chinese medical journal. https://www.ncbi.nim.nih.gov/pubmed/29578127. Published April 5, 2018. Accessed March 6, 2020.
16. Zgierska AE, Burzinski CA, Cox J, et al. Mindfulness Meditation and Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Intervention Reduces Pain Severity and Sensitivity in Opioid-Treated Chronic Low Back Pain: Pilot Findings from a Randomized Controlled Trial. Pain Medicine. 2016;17(10):1865-1881. doi:10.1093/pm/pnwoo6
17. Hilton, L., Hempel, S., Ewing, BA, et. al. Mindfulness Meditiation for Chronic Pain: Systematic Review and Meta-analysis. Annual Behavioral Medicine. 2017; 51(2):199-213. doi: 10.1007/s12160-016-9844-2.
18. Hohmann C, Ullrich I, Lauche R, et al. The Benefit of a Mechanical Needle Stimulation Pad in Patients with Chronic Neck and Lower Back Pain: Two Randomized Controlled Pílot Studies. Evidence-Based Complementary and Alternative Medicine. 2012;2012:1-11. doi:10.1155/2012/753583
Qaseem A. Wilt TJ, Mclean RM, Forciea MA. Noninvasive Treatments for Acute, Subacute, and Chronic Low Back Pain: A Clinical Practice Guideline From the American College of Physicians. Annals of Internal Medicine. 2017;166(7):514. doi:10.7326/m16-2367
