Habit Changers -Tools to Transform





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## Welcome to the Support Group! Habit Changers Tools for Transformation



- Full Awareness How to become more keenly aware of what your habits are, why you want to change, how to identify triggers, and what the rewards are.
- **Tool #1 –Affirmations:** Short mindful phrases that emphasize intention.
- Tool #2 EFT Tapping: Emotional Freedom technique. Helps to neutralize the trigger and changes response
- Tool #3 Distraction and Engagement: Distract yourself from an old habit and enlist a new one. (Includes Healthy Food Swaps)
- Tool #4 -Reminders: Support change with reminders
- Reinforce Your Change Prepare for Slip Ups, Enlist help, and Remember How Far You've Come!





## Full Awareness of the Habit



### **Identification of Change**

Identifying what you want to change.



### Your "why"

- Increased physical health
- Increased mental wellbeing
- Increased emotional stability
- Increased spiritual connection



## Triggers - conscious vs unconscious

- Physical things in your environment
- Sabotaging thoughts
- Emotional components
- Need for approval



#### Rewards

- To calm ourselves
- We emphasize unworthiness
- We emphasize mistrust
- We emphasize lack





## Some Simplified Steps-Tools for Change



#### **Affirmations**

Short mindful phrases that emphasize intention.

**Handout: AFFIRMATIONS** 



**EFT Tapping** 

**Emotional Freedom** Technique. Helps to neutralize trigger and change response.

**HANDOUT: EFT TAPPING** 

### **Distractions and Engagement**

Distract from an old habit and enlist in a new one.

**HANDOUT: FOOD SWAPS** 





#### Reminders

Support change with reminders.

> I CAN CHANGE

## IDENTIFY THE

"I am going to gain all my weight back"





"I am confident in the decisions I make"

## Lack of Confidence vs Confidence

"There is no way I will be able to do that"
vs

"I am confident in the decisions I make"

"I am true to myself"

## Self-Sabotage vs Telling the Truth

"I don't know that I will be able to follow thru on what it takes to be able to make these changes"

"I am true to myself"



## Mistrust vs Faith

"I don't believe that I am able to make the changes necessary."

VS

"All things are possible."

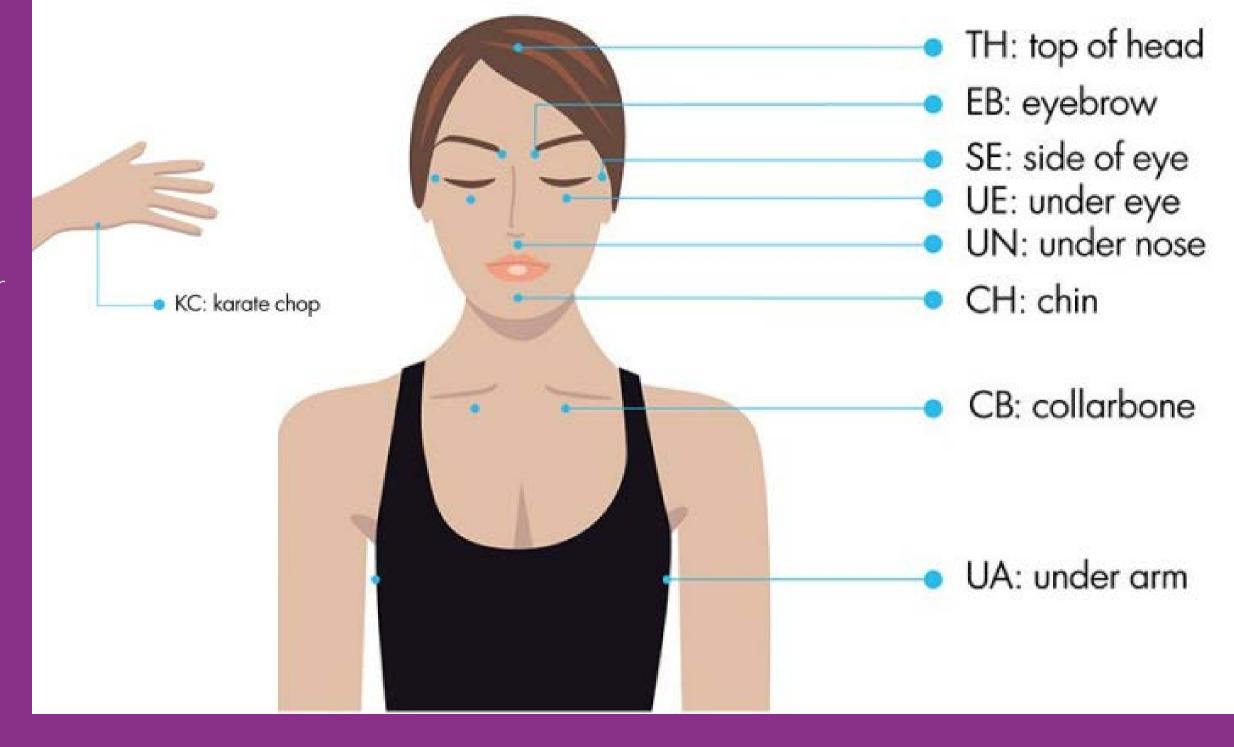


#### **Link to Handout: CLICK HERE**

One other effective way to help **create a balance in the body and retune the responses** (or trigger points) is to do EFT
(Emotional Freedom Technique). This is a
technique that creates harmony by tapping on
specific points of the body's energy system;
acupressure points or meridians. And its super
simple. To do this:

- 1. **Become aware** of the trigger and the body's response to it.
- 2. **Rate the feeling** you have about the trigger on a 1-10 scale: 10 worst.
- 3. **Tap 3-4x using a finger or thumb** on a meridian point. Slow your breathing as you do this.
- 4. Say the intended **affirmation**.
- 5. **Continually repeat** until the response is lessened or gone.

## EFT Tapping Points



## Distraction and Engaging in Something Different

Food Swaps
that Taste So Good
Link to Handout: CLICK HERE

Our Guide: 30+ Food Swaps Saving
You 100's of Calories!

Contrary to popular belief, you don't have to overhaul your diet to lose weight. Check out our **Guide** for more on how to eat healthy, you won't want to miss these!

Rice for

Cauliflower
Rice
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Spaghetti
Spaghetti
Squash

# Reminders To Support a Change

Key ways to prompt yourself.



#### **Sticky Notes**

On refrigerator, mirrors, dressers, and/or places you visit frequently.



## Phone Reminders

Set phone reminders to remember to drink water, take vitamins, and workout



## Reinforce the Change The

Ways to keep the momentum going



#### **Prepare for Slip Ups**

Let go of the all-or-nothing mindset. Let go over something "having" to happen immediately. Be patient with yourself and your progress. Show up for yourself over and over. Slow down to go fast (slow down your eating, slow down your mind, slow down to recognize and be intentional on what you are doing).



#### **Enlist Support When Needed**

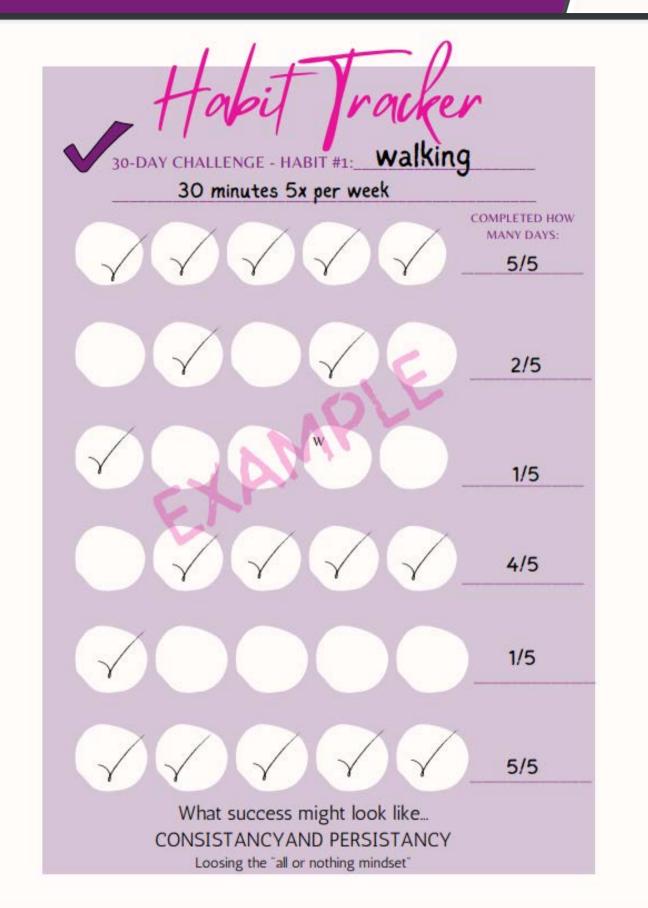
There are all different types of support; friends, family, counselors, and the bariatric community (like this one).



#### **Remember How Far You Have Come**

Remember that there are things that you have combated. Remember that it is possible for you to overcome negativity and change your focus. Being honest with yourself is one of the most important factors in changing. Explore your habits with openness and curiosity. This change is for you! Be kind and work with yourself instead of against yourself.







## Summary



### Identification of Habit



- 1.Become aware of the habit and why you want to change
- 2.Know your "why"
- 3. Know your triggers
- 4. Know why you consider the result to be a reward





- 1. Practice mindfulness and Intention Affirmations
- 2.EFT Taping
- 3. Distraction Food Swaps that Taste so Good
- 4. Reminders Sticky notes and phone reminders



## Reinforce the Change

- 1.Prepare for slip ups
- 2. Enlist support when needed
- 3. Remember how far you have come
- 4.Use Habit Trackers

