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How to protect your hearing from loss at any age

(BPT) - Taking care of your health is more important as you age, but one aspect of your wellbeing that's often neglected is hearing health. For many, hearing loss is ignored until its effects appear: difficulty socializing, isolation or depression, balance problems and even cognitive decline.

Hearing is an integral part of how everyone interacts with the world, physically, mentally and emotionally. And although hearing loss is not reversible, it can be managed with proper intervention.

Here are tips to help you protect your hearing while engaging in activities you love, so you can continue to enjoy them for many years to come, plus advice for checking your hearing status and benefiting from the latest hearing technology.

How loud is too loud? Accord-



ing to the National Institutes of Health, extended periods of exposure to sounds at or above 85 Aweighted decibels (dBA) can cause hearing loss. For perspective, your lawnmower produces 80-100 dBA, and fireworks 140-160 dBA. Many common activities can impact your hearing over time, leading to hearing loss, tinnitus (ringing in your ears) and balance issues.

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Think squash: Packing lunch with a punch

Think squash isn't for you? THINK AGAIN!

Adults with healthy eating habits may be able to fight off illnesses quicker than those who don't. From cancer prevention and heart health to keeping Alzheimer's disease at bay, bringing vegetables like squash into your diet may help.

True to their name, winter squashes are ideal foods to have on hand during the cooler months. They not only are packed with immune-enhancing nutrients but also work well in heartier dishes and can last a long time in your kitchen.



While you may only think about squash in the fall, adding these dense veggies will pack a punch when it comes to fighting disease and many are available year-round.

Most Popular Types of Squash

Zucchini — This slender (or if forgotten in the garden, enormous) green veg-

etable is part of the squash family and is a popular veggie well-known for its proven nutritive properties. It's low in carbohydrates, calories, and contains healthy fats. It is great

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LaMoure County Activities

LAMOURE

Fridays: 1 PM: Diamond art.

NOVEMBER

<u>Tuesday, Nov. 12:</u> 12:30 PM: "Happy Senior Club" monthly meeting.



<u>Tuesday, Dec. 10:</u> 12:30 PM: "Happy Senior Club" monthly meeting.

Watch The LaMoure Chronicle's Senior Moments for monthly potluck dates and times.

Please consider us when making your charitable donation. South Central Adult Services is a non-profit corporation which receives support from North Dakota Aging Services and the Department of Transportation. Although they are funding sources, it is not enough to cover all the costs of our corporation. The money received will help provide continued support and assistance to those supported by our programs. We are very appreciative for the support we already receive. If you would please consider a financial contribution to help meet the needs of our patrons, please fill out this form and return it to

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LaMoure County Birthdays



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DECEMBER

Walt Kratz: 12/8
Fred Beehler: 12/9
Fred Brademeyer: 12/19
Harry Klever: 12/23
Deanna Dagen: 12/31
June Werre: 12/31

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NOVEMBER

Jerald Denning: 11/1 Donna Mae Carlson: 11/21

Ambrose Dunn: 11/22

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Betty Fenno: 12/4 Wilbert Ross: 12/13



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LaMoure County Outreach November & December 2024

If you are in need of frozen meals, home-delivered meals or other services, call: 701-883-5088

Andra Jenkins, Outreach Worker, is available at 701-883-5088 for appointments.



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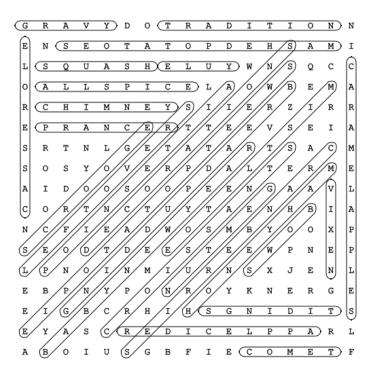
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The meals are labeled with instructions for heating. A serving of bread, butter, milk, and dessert is included for each meal.

Contact your outreach worker or your Senior Center for more information.



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makes available all services without regard to race, color, national origin, or handicap, and is subject to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title V Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and all related laws and regulations. The South Central Adult Services Council, Inc., is an Equal Opportunity Employer. South Central Adult Services Council, Inc. holds quarterly board meetings on the 3rd Monday of February, May, August & November. All meetings are open to the public at 139 2nd Ave SE in Valley City, ND. Call in advance to reserve a meal at 1-800-472-0031.

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fried, added to casseroles or snuck into baked goods.

Yellow — Besides the color, yellow squash differs from zucchini with a larger bottom and more tapered neck. The nutty flavor contrasts well with zucchini's more cucumber-like taste. Eating yellow squash can l ower cholesterol levels, provides antioxidant benefits, lowers blood pressure and more.

Pumpkin — This slightly sweeter winter squash is used both in savory dishes and sweet desserts. Pumpkin has exceptional antioxidant properties due to the presence of alpha and beta carotenes.

Spaghetti — oval-shaped, spaghetti squash is yellow or orange colored, and after cooking can be separated into long, thin strands that look similar to spaghetti (hence the name). It is often used as a healthy substitute to traditional spaghetti.

Butternut — This winter squash is larger in size and often roasted whole with its seeds and rind. It adds a nice flavor to chili and pasta dishes and is great roasted with a small amount of butter and cinnamon.

Acorn — aptly named because when fully grown, they look quite similar to large acorns, with a delicious twist of being green and heavily ridged around the exterior. Acorn squash is a winter squash, meaning that it grows longer on the vine before harvest. Besides the delicious taste, it is also more nutrient-dense than any of its summer squash relatives, making it an invaluable part of a healthy and balanced diet.

Patty pan — Also known as scallop squash due to its scalloped edges, patty pan squash is a small, bright-

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ly colored, summer variety. It is a good source of folate, manganese and vitamin C, and ranks extremely low in calorie count. Patty pan tastes great roasted, grilled or fried.

Benefits of Adding Squash to Your Diet

- Strengthens bones with valuable trace elements such as calcium and zinc.
- Regulates blood sugar as it is a good source of fiber and vitamin B, which help stabilize insulin and glucose levels.
- Boosts immunity with antioxidants (i.e., vitamin C).
- Prevents heart disease with cholesterol-lowering pectin.
- Fights lung cancer and other respiratory illnesses with high amounts of vitamin A.
- •Supports Eye health with vitamins and minerals good for preserving eyesight.

Pumpkin Sausage Pasta

1 lb. penne pasta

1 lb. sweet Italian sausage, casings removed

1 med. onion, finely chopped

4 cloves minced garlic

1 bay leaf

2 Tbsp fresh sage

1 cup white wine or chicken broth

1 cup cooked and pureed pumpkin or other squash

1 cup chicken broth

1/2 cup evaporated milk

1/8 tsp ground cinnamon

1/2 tsp ground nutmeg Salt and pepper to taste

*Fresh sage leaves

*Parmesan cheese

Cook pasta according to directions and set aside. In large frying pan, brown sausage over medium high heat. When cooked, remove meat and set aside. Drain fat from pan and return pan to stove. Sauté onion and garlic in pan for 3-5 minutes. Add bay leaf, sage and wine. Cook until half the liquid evaporates — about 2 minutes. Mix in chicken broth and pumpkin. Continue stirring until sauce begins to bubble. Reduce heat and add sausage. Stir in milk. Add seasonings and simmer 5-10 minutes to thicken. Remove bay leaf. Combine sauce and pasta and toss over low heat for about a minute. Garnish with freshly grated Parmesan or Romano cheese and fresh sage leaves (optional).

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For more information, please contact Justine Irakiza, at 701-205-2690 Justine.irakiza@lssmn.org

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For this reason, it's important to wear hearing protection when engaging in any loud activities, just as you wear sunscreen to protect your skin while outdoors.

Because damage to your ears is cumulative and may not be realized until later in life, the time to protect them is now.

Occupational hazards - at home.

While the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has required the use of hearing protection for fields like manufacturing, construction and transportation with exposure to sound at or above 85 dBA since 1981, it's not something you may think about when working around the house.

However, while doing yardwork or home projects with power tools, lawnmowers and leaf blowers, hearing protection is recommended just as if you were on the job.

The sound of music. If you love attending concerts or play an instrument yourself, too much exposure can be detrimental to your hearing. The National Institutes of Health advises trying inexpensive single-use foam ear plugs to help protect your ears from occasional exposure to loud music and other sounds.

Recreational noise. The same goes for many other activities that can generate loud sounds. If you enjoy motorcycling, snowmobiling, shooting or motor boating, hearing protection is always a good idea. Even typical sporting events can range from 94-110 dBA, making them among the noisiest environments people are regularly exposed to.

How to determine noise levels. If you're concerned about noise where you frequently spend time, there are some downloadable apps for your smartphone that can gauge the decibel level for you to help you determine if you need hearing protection.

What to do if you notice hearing

loss. If you frequently miss parts of conversations or often ask people to repeat themselves, it's possible hearing loss is the culprit. Other clues: you turn up the TV or radio louder, or you hear intermittent ringing or buzzing in your ears.

The best way to know is by taking a hearing test. Try an easy, convenient online version like the one at Lexie-Hearing.com, developed to identify the possibility of some forms of hearing impairment. It's always advisable to consult with a hearing health professional if you're concerned about your hearing.

Good news about today's hearing aids. Hearing aid technology has come a long way in recent years. In October 2022, the FDA established a new category of over-the-counter (OTC) hearing aids for adults 18 and older with perceived mild-to-moderate hearing loss in order to increase the public's access to hearing aids and improve overall hearing health. These new hearing aids are available at retail stores nationwide without a prescription.

Some OTC options - such as the Lexie B2 Plus Hearing Aid - are also FSA and HSA eligible, and available through some insurance hearing health plans.

The importance of hearing. For anyone with mild-to-moderate hearing loss, being able to hear your friends and loved ones, as well as participating in everything you love, makes all the difference for your physical, mental and emotional well-being. Using hearing aids may help slow the risk of cognitive decline for some, and even improve your interpersonal relationships.

Being able to fully participate in your active life for years to come is well worth the effort of protecting your hearing - and successfully managing the hearing loss you may already experience. South Central Adult Services serves the counties of Barnes, LaMoure, Foster, Logan, McIntosh & Griggs

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