April 2024 Newsletter Content: Understanding Stress

This month we are focusing on understanding stress and building resilience to it!

What's happening?

Webinar April 4, 10-11 a.m. CT: Join us for **Mindfulness: How it works and building a practice**, where we'll techniques to develop a daily practice. We will explore the neuroscience of mindfulness and the impact on cognitive function, stress reduction, and overall well-being. Whether you're curious about the science of mindfulness or seeking evidence-based tools for personal growth, this webinar offers valuable insights and actionable steps for a healthy mind. Register for the Mindfulness webinar.

Webcast April 11, 1-1:30 p.m. CT: Join us for the **2024 Get Fit Texas! Awards Presentation Webcast** to see which agencies take home the trophies this year. This webcast will kick off with a few words from State-wide Wellness Coordinator at DSHS, Lesley Jimenez, and will wrap up with the announcements of our winners! Register for the Get Fit Texas Awards Presentation.

Challenge April 15-19, 2024: Sign-up for the transformational **5-Day Meditation Re-boot Challenge** to re-center, re-focus, and recharge your mind. Receive daily 10-minute guided meditation recordings led by Lacy Wolff, Coordinator of Statewide Well-being Initiatives at ERS. Each evening, starting Sunday, April 14th, you'll receive the next day's meditation link directly to your email. <u>Sign up</u> for the 5-Day Meditation Challenge.

Webinar April 25, 10-11 a.m. CT: Join us for **The Sleep-Stress Connection**: **How Restful Nights Impact Your Well-being.** We'll delve into the relationship between sleep and stress, how we perceive and manage stress, and how a good night's sleep is foundational for a healthy lifestyle. <u>Register for the Sleep-Stress Connection webinar.</u>

Connect over Microsoft Teams for monthly 15-minute Fitness & Nutrition Connect Community Calls to connect with others who are interested in health and well-being. This month Valerie and Liz will explore how you can relieve stress with movement and how you can reduce grocery shopping stress. For dates, times and registration links visit the ERS Wellness Events calendar.