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## Coping with Stress



Stress is not a bad thing. In fact, stress is a great motivator. It causes some level of discomfort and compels us to seek something different. However, it is when stress is chronic and unable to be relieved that damage to the body, mind and soul occurs.

There are two kinds of stress...acute and chronic. Acute stress is rapidly relieved .... the stress caused by being

chased by a wolf is quickly relieved when you climb a tree (unless you cannot climb a tree).

Chronic stress is something else. This stress is unrelieved no matter what the circumstances...constant deadlines at work, a sick family member, frustration, fear, unhappiness. Chronic stress lives with you 24/7 and affects all of your organ systems, your

mind and can even rock you to your very soul.

In today's society we keep pushing ... and we actually define ourselves by how much stress we can carry but the effects on the body, mind and soul can be tremendous and unrelenting. Stress is associated with all chronic disease including heart disease, diabetes, obesity and dementia.

Stress reduction is life-saving and healthy. Everyone has the power to reduce the impact of stress, we just need to do it more often.

#### **Natural Methods to Relieve Stress**

- Get regular, relaxing exercise
- Eat well-balanced, healthy meals
- Limit media
- Have some fun play every day
- Try something different energy healing, like Reiki, is very relaxing
- Supplement to counter the effects of stress and increase your ability to cope with it
- Think positive thoughts and meditate
- Get proper sleep



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