"Our People at the Heart of All We Do" Why is Staff Well-Being so Important?

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Disclosure

- I am neither a psychologist nor psychiatrist.
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Our People at the Heart of all We Do

- What is Well-being?
 - what does it mean to you?
- Why is Well-being so important?
 - to you? to us healthcare workers?
- How can we promote Well-being?
 - 4 Pillars of Well-being



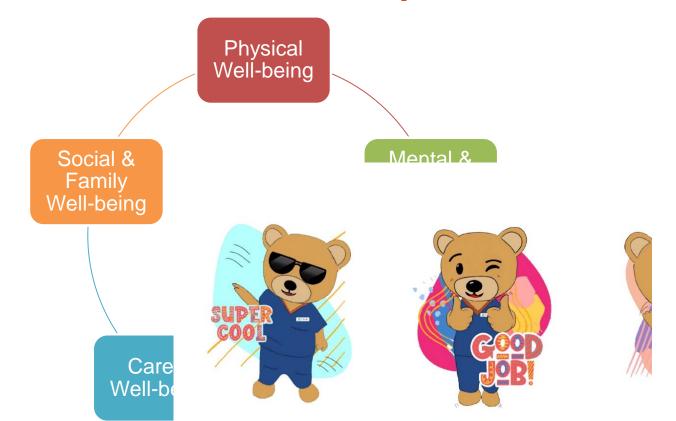
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What are the ingredients for Well-Being – 3Cs

COMMUNITY

A strong "family" bond between colleagues and organization

CONTROL

Autonomy & Empowerment in how we do things and opportunities for personal growth.

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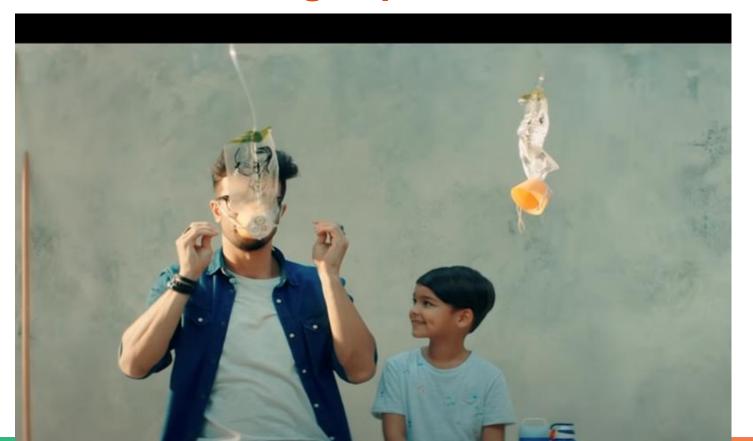
Purpose and personal fulfillment in what we do







Why is well-being important to you? Why is Staff Well-being important in Health Care?



Burnout in Healthcare Workers

A syndrome conceptualized as resulting from chronic workplace stress that has not been successfully managed.

It is characterized by **Three Dimensions**:

- 1. Feelings of energy depletion or exhaustion (emotional exhaustion)
- 2. Increased mental distance from one's job or feelings of negativism (depersonalization)
- 3. Reduced professional efficacy (personal accomplishment)

In May 2019, <u>WHO</u> officially started to recognize burnout as occupational phenomenon.



Survey of Burnout in SingHealth 2019 (n=6048 staff)

38% of respondents had high Emotional Exhaustion

30% of respondents had high **Depersonalization**

55% of respondents had low Personal Accomplishment.

Maslach Burnout Index - MBI HSS (1981) measures three dimensions of burnout : Emotional Exhaustion (EE), Depersonalization (DP) and Personal Accomplishment(PA).

Respondents with either high EE score or high DP score constituted 44% (n=2,654).

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Table 2. Maslach Burnout Inventory emotional exhaustion, depersonalisation and personal accomplishment by professional groups

Profession	 Emotional Exhaustion 			Depersonalisation			Personal Accomplishment		
	Burnout level Mean (SD)	P value compared with Allied Health	High burnout No. (%)	Burnout level Mean (SD)	P value compared with Medical	High burnout No. (%)	Burnout level Mean (SD)	P value compared with Non-clinical	Low PA No. (%)
Medical n=608	23.7 (12.8)	0.028	227 (37.3)	8.7 (7.1)	229	230 (37.8)	33.9 (8.6)	< 0.001	259 (42.6)
Nursing n=3,032	23.7 (13.1)	0.004	1,194 (39.4)	7.4 (6.6)	< 0.001	928 (30.6)	31.6 (9.5)	< 0.001	1,641 (54.1)
Allied Health n=764	25.3 (12.9)	-	350 (45.8)	7.9 (6.7)	0.031	257 (33.6)	32.7 (8.6)	< 0.001	385 (50.4)
Non-clinical n=1,644	21.1 (12.7)	< 0.001	513 (31.2)	6.2 (5.7)	< 0.001	381 (23.2)	29.0 (9.8)	-	1,057 (64.3)
Total N=6,048	23.2 (13.0)	÷	2,284 (37.8)	7.2 (6.5)	in the second	1,796 (29.7)	31.3 (9.5)	=	3,342 (55.3)

DP: depersonalisation; EE: emotional exhaustion; MBI: Maslach Burnout Inventory; PA: personal accomplishment; SD: standard deviation

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How can we promote Well-being? What are important areas in Well-being you feel we should address in our health care organization?

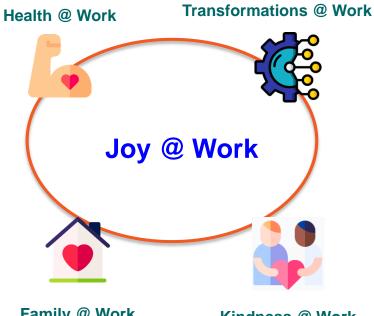


How can we promote well-being?

4 Pillars of Well-being

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Promoting physical and mental health as a tenet of well-being.



Promoting a transformations in our work practices & environment that promote wellbeing and joy.

Promoting a strong "family" culture defined by a strong sense of kinship and commitment to one another.

Family @ Work

Kindness @ Work

Promoting a culture of kindness and respect at the workplace, to build a supportive and joyful work environment.

Composition of Staff Wellness Council Members



Institution Wellness Officers

Wellness leads from
each institution
overseeing the
strategic direction and
implementation of Staff
Wellness initiatives

Expert Panel

Consisting of domain experts, the panel that provides expertise to support areas in mental health and wellbeing:

- Psychologists
- Social Services
- Human Behaviour

Professional Group Leaders

Community
Representatives
providing a voice from
the ground

- Junior doctors
 - Nurses
- Allied Health
- Administrative and Ancillary staff
 - Union

Domain Leaders

Representatives contributing domain knowledge in the areas of:

- Communications
 - HR
 - IT
 - Ops





Learning from Others

M	To have More than one resource available						
E	 Ears on the ground Identify the "real" representatives Do not make strategy in boardroom that are irrelevant, attract cynicism 						
Т	Transparent communications Reduce dis-coordination and silos.						
Α	Agile - Strategy is good but it is important to possess agile mindset to revise						
L	Learn from the past, Learn the challenges, Learn what works and what doesn't						

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Activities to promote Well-being

SP CARE

Jun

- Bowling Competition

Jul

- Futsal Competition

Sep

- ACTIVE Month: Cycle & Walk Challenge





Restricted Sensitive (Normal)

Prevention of Abuse & Harassment of **Healthcare Workers** SingHealth

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Well-being starts with you – Be Kind and Appreciate Each Other

Everyone of you is making a difference every day. So let us remind ourselves to appreciate one and another with a little kindness.

Let it begin with you...

Drop an appreciation message to your colleague or staff today.





