

February Topic:
Working from Home
Effectively



<u>Circle of Life:</u> Home Environment



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What New & Good

Share in the <u>Chat Box</u>, or unmute yourself to SHARE anything that is

"New and Good"



Recap of January "Wellness in the Workplace"

- Drink more water
- Get out and walk: phone a friend or colleague
- Healthy eating options / snacks
- Recipe exchanges
- Community Supported Agriculture (CSA)
- Stand up and stretch often
- Setting up your computer station ergonomically (EHS)
- Bring plants into your work environment
- Take time to breath and meditate

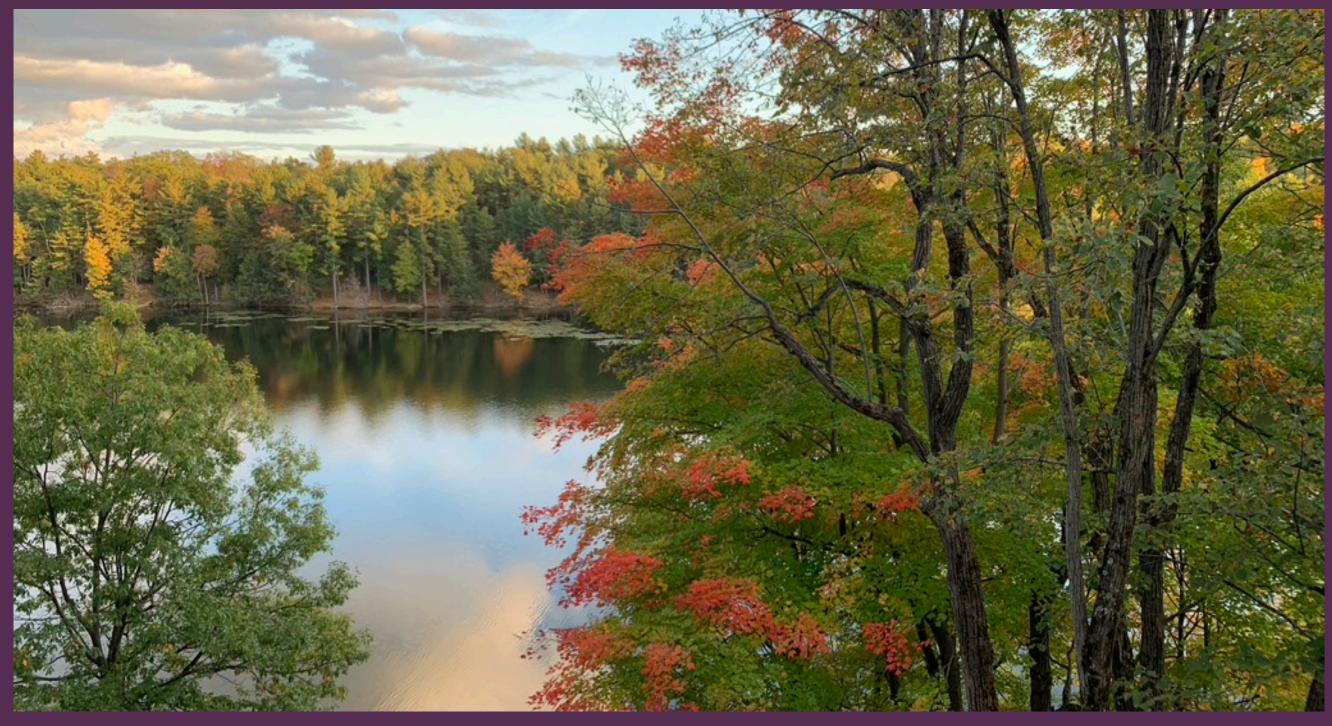


Chat Box

What have you implemented into your routine?



Opening Meditation





5 Essentials Meditation

- (1) Ground
- (2) Tongue: associated with our thoughts
- (3) Face: associated with our identify
- (4) Belly: associated with our fears.
- (5) Breath





<u>Circle of Life:</u> Home Environment



Circle of Life: Home Environment

Home Environment: any aspect of your life that contributes to your living condition. Includes any location you call home. It also includes the country, city or town and neighborhood where you live.

Consider your answers to the following questions:

- What does a balanced home environment mean to you?
- Envision your ideal home environment. How is it different from your current home?
- How does your ideal home environment feel? Smell? Look? Sound?
- How do you want your home environment to reflect who you are?
- How does your environment support your current goals?
- On a scale of 1-10, what is your level of satisfaction with your Home Environment



Circle of Life: Home Environment

Creating a home environment that's organized and clean can help support emotional and physical health.

Explore ways to create a more positive space

Create a vision board of your ideal home environment.	Start an herb garden
Fill your home with houseplants	Create a cozy sleep space
Clean and de-clutter your living space	Paint your walls
Light scented candles	Organize your pantry
Hang pictures throughout your home	Explore feng shui

Feng shui: A few tips

- If you've been having trouble sleeping, clean under your bed or remove any work-related items from your bedroom.
- For more romance, add passionate colors in your bedroom or place two live flowers in a vase next to your bed.
- You can release any stuck, stagnant energy by letting in more fresh air to get things moving. If you're feeling overwhelmed or unproductive, choose one area to de-clutter. Donate things you no longer use, clean surfaces, and reorganize belongings.



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Distractions

Family members, pets, roommates, Amazon

Focus

Remaining productive when unsupervised

Always-on mindset

Can't get away from the computer





Environment

Create an environment where you can be successful

Focus

• Finding a quiet space.

Office Space

Find some inspiration on Pinterest





Be ready on the go

 Having your phone equipped with everything you use on your computer and synced.

- Video conferencing (Zoom / Team)
- Slack
- Instant messaging
- Calendar
- Google Suite for spreadsheets and other documents

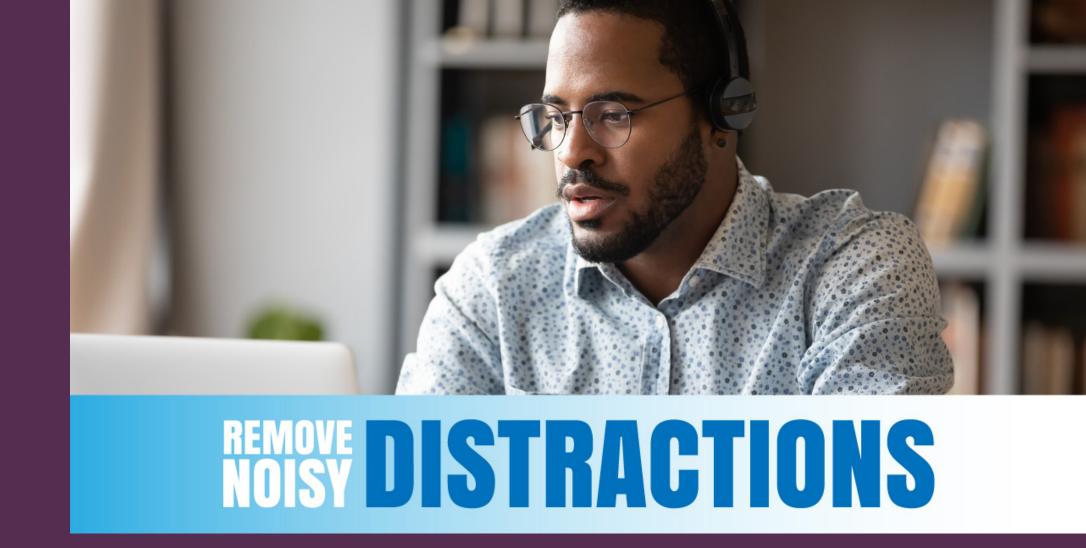
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- Doing something good for your health.
- Being a ritual that creates a calm and clear state of mind.
 - Some ideas include getting more sleep, meditation, making a healthy breakfast, journaling, any movement (walk, run, yoga) or just focusing on your breathing.





- Anticipate distractions
- Try noise-canceling headphones
- Let family members know times when you cannot be distracted





- Set a routine
- Address easy tasks and prioritize your day
- Set the tone for the day





- Setting a ritual will spark motivation
- Put on work clothes





- Switch it up, if you can
 - Most places are Wi-Fi enabled





- Turn off social media notification
- Wait until breaks or after hours to catch up





- Identify your peak productive times
- Remember your motivation with naturally ebb and flow





- The Stop Sign is understood by most children
- Designate different colors
 - Red: you cannot be disturbed
 - Green: OK to come in





CHECK-IN WITH CO-WORKERS

- Embrace virtual connection
- Start a virtual morning or afternoon huddle
- Morning coffee chat or a happy hour





- Breaks are important
- Help re-energize and refocus
- Stand, stretch, check on house members





- Prepare some healthy snacks and meals
- Light meals will keep your energy up and allow you to remain focused





Try a Time Management / Productivity App

- Harvest
- RescueTime
- Toggl





Experiment with background music or white noise

- Talk radio
- Lyric-free soundscapes
- Classical music

Spotify

 Allows you to pick playlists to fit your mood "focus" and "productivity"





Set Boundaries!!
 ~They are only effective if they are enforced.





Beware of hackers

- Work securely
- Be aware of your company's network policy
- Use VPN
- Inform IT of any potential security threats
- Careful to not leave sensitive information around family members or visitors.

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Establish a healthy work-life balance

- Set clear working hours
- Schedule personal appointments, errands or tasks early or at the end of the day
- Use an alarm or timer
- Finish important tasks or loose ends
- Turn off the computer





Tips for working from home:

- https://www.entrepreneur.com/article/347479
- https://www.nextiva.com/blog/working-from-home-tips.html
- https://www.inc.com/christina-desmarais/get-more-done-18-tips-for-telecommuters.html
- https://blog.hubspot.com/marketing/productivity-tips-working-fromhome
- https://www.mindtools.com/pages/article/working-from-homenew.htm







Homework

- Register on the group Facebook Page (CalTimes Wellness Group)
- Home Environment Circle of Life: assess your satisfaction in this area by answering the discussion questions?
- Prior to our next session try to incorporate 1 or 2 suggestions mentioned and we will discuss them during our next time together.
- If anyone has any questions or suggestions to share, please post them in the FB Group or you can message me.



Chat Box

I'd love to see in the chat box one takeaway that you plan to incorporate.

