What is Wellness?

Herbal Gardens Wellness, 501c3 NPO

Community Healthcare Education

Please take out a favorite pen, journal or sheet of paper.

Follow along with the slides. Sketch, doodle, write out your ideas and thoughts.

Wellness

How do you define wellness?

- Wellness is...
- ■I feel well when...
- ► Wellness, schmellness...
- unicorn
- To me wellness means...



How can we experience Wellness?

What does experience mean to you?

Word Arr an experience that makes you think of Wellness.

Write out 5 Wellness
Experiences that will nourish
your Spirit

Take a moment and take a deep breath. Relax your shoulders, and exhale. Repeat three times.

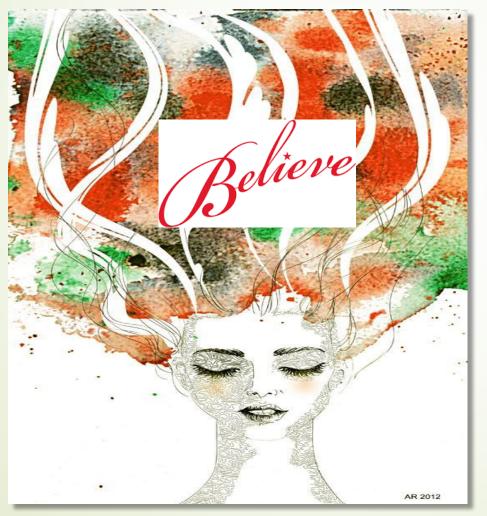
- Is Wellness a static state?
- Is Wellness physical, mental, emotional, or spiritual?
- Is Wellness fluid?



Identify your top three stressors.

Write these down, in black ink, and then take your colorful pens and doodle positive words to counteract

them.



Top Causes of Stress in the U.S.
Factors
1
Job Pressure: Co-Worker
Tension, Bosses, Work Overload
2
Money: Loss of Job, Reduced
Retirement, Medical Expenses
3

Health: Health Crisis, Terminal or Chronic Illness

4

Relationships: Divorce, Death of Spouse, Arguments with Friends, Loneliness

5

Poor Nutrition: Inadequate Nutrition, Caffeine, Processed Foods, Refined Sugars

6

Media Overload: Television, Radio, Internet, E-Mail, Social Networking

7

Sleep Deprivation: Inability to release adrenaline and other stress hormones



Balance in life comes from harmony with virtues. These are from the internal guidance that connect us to each human and living beings. We call this peace.

Wellness Definition

"Wellness is a process of becoming aware of and making choices toward a more successful existence". NWI

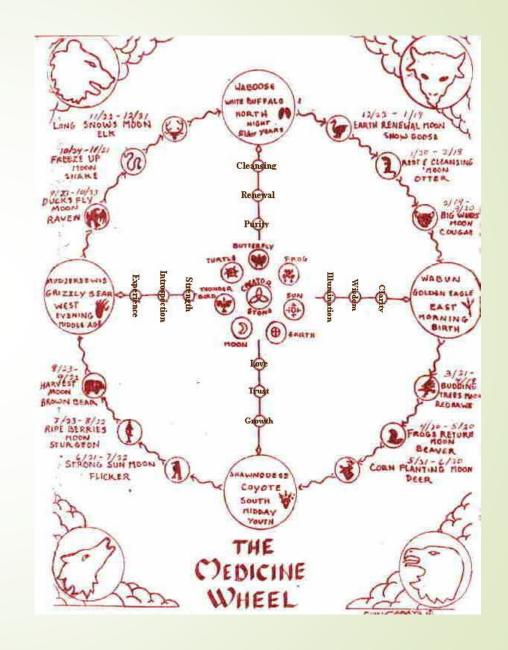


When balance is present a flow, or fluid good feeling carries us.

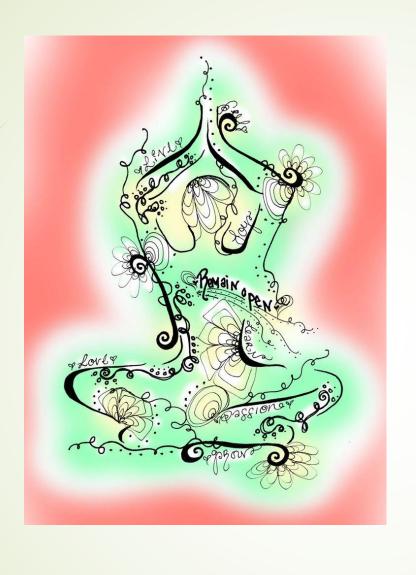
Write your own wellness statement.

Wellness is a sense of connectivity to all living beings around us.

"The land is sacred.
These words are at the core of your being.
The land is our mother, the rivers our blood.
Take our land away and we die. That is, the Indian in us dies." - Mary Brave Bird, Lakota



"We learned to be patient observers like the owl. We learned cleverness from the crow, and courage from the jay, who will attack an owl ten times its size to drive it off its territory. But above all of them ranked the chickadee because of its indomitable spirit." - Tom Brown, Jr., The Tracker



Inter - Connectedness

What does this look like to you?

Sign your name in the center of the page.

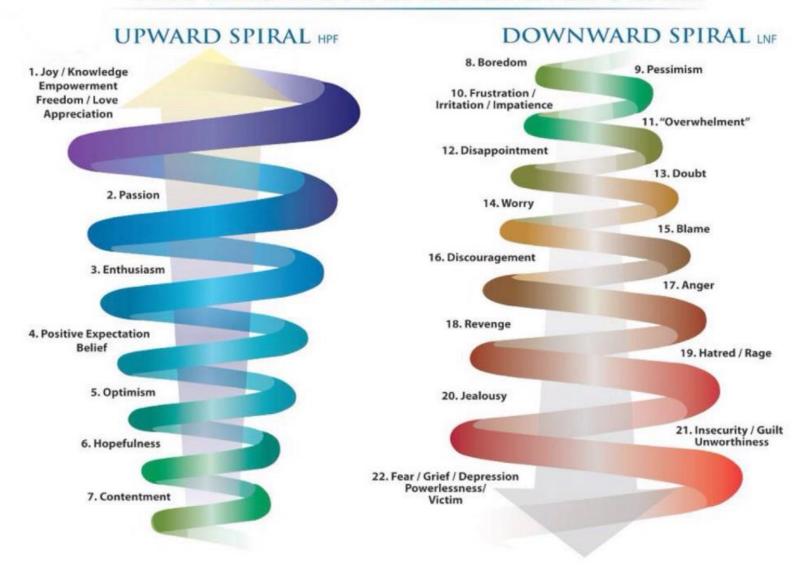
Sketch, doodle, write, attach photos of every living being you

love.

"Health is more than the absence of dis-ease. Health is a state of optimal wellbeing."

WHO-World Health Organization

THE EMOTIONAL GUIDANCE SCALE



Thank you!



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