



DITCH DIET RULES: ESCAPE THE TRAP & MOVE TOWARD YOUR BEST WEIGHT

LEAF WEIGHT Management Clinic

FOR YOUR BEST WEIGHT

Weight management is complex. Weight is influenced by many things - some we can control, and many we can't. Focus on what you do control, including how often you practice the following health habits:

Regularly practicing
these actions
contributes to health
and
your best weight

3 | EAT MINDFULLY

Eat with intention & attention. Slow down; enjoy what you're eating.

6 | REST & RESET

Get 7 or more hours of restful sleep.

Manage your stress.

On the journey, rest if you need a break, don't quit.

1 | PLAN YOUR MEALS &SNACKS

Make a plan to nourish your health. Make meals from home most often.

4 | MOVE ABOUT

Be active in a way you enjoy for 30 minutes (or more) most days.

7 | CONNECT

Connect with your values - the qualities that matter to you;
Connect with people who support your success.

2 | EAT TO SATISFY

Eat 'just right' portions to satisfy your hunger. Plan to eat before you're over hungry.

5 | RECORD & REFLECT

Record habits and reflect on progress.
What works for you?

8 |'DO-ABL' GOALS

Set 'do-able' goals & develop skills to work around barriers - both external & internal.

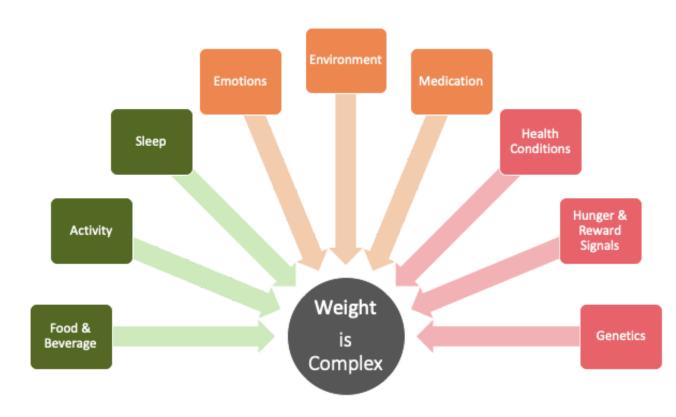
MY COMMITTED ACTIONS

√ below the actions you do well.

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Which action are you willing to improve? Focus on one not checked that feels 'do-able' What's one small step you can take to improve this area?

WEIGHT: IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT



FOCUS ON WHAT YOU CAN CONTROL

M O S T

- plan food choices
- eat less processed foods
- cook at home
- drink sugar-free beverages
- practice portion control
- slow down, be mindful
- move daily; every step counts
- prioritize sleep

MODERATE

- we don't control how we feel; we control how we respond to our feelings
- our external environment can influence eating habits; set your environment up for success
- connect with people who support you
- review medications with your health care provider*

LEAST

- existing health conditions may impact weight
- powerful body & brain chemicals work to defend our weight
- 70% of our body shape and size is predicted by our genes

STOP & CONNECT

Slow down - pause to be present

Take note - notice, name, neutralize

Open up - make room for thoughts, urges, feelings,

Pursue values - how do you want to behave right here and now?





Values describe how you want to behave now and on an ongoing basis, how you want to treat yourself, others and the world around you. They are *qualities* you want to embody in your own actions.

We can use values for inspiration, motivation and guidance, to do the challenging things that make life better in the long run.

We become more willing to do challenging things when we connect with what truly matters to us.

List up to three qualities or strengths you wish to act on, live by or model in your health behaviours:

Try completing this sentence:

When it comes to my health, it is important for me to behave in ways that are....

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pages to help select qualities you may want to 'try on' and see if they motivate you.

CLARIFYING YOUR VALUES

LIST OF COMMON VALUES

- 1 Acceptance/self-acceptance: to be accepting of myself, others, life, etc.
- 2. Adventure: to be adventurous; to actively explore novel or stimulating experiences
- 3. Assertiveness: to respectfully stand up for my rights and request what I want
- 4. Authenticity: to be authentic, genuine, and real; to be true to myself
- 5. Caring/self-care: to be caring toward myself, others, the environment, etc.
- 6. Compassion/self-compassion: to act kindly toward myself and others in pain
- 7. Connection: to engage fully in whatever I'm doing and be fully present with others
- 8. Contribution and generosity: to contribute, give, help, assist, or share
- 9. Cooperation: to be cooperative and collaborative with others
- 10. Courage: to be courageous or brave; to persist in the face of fear, threat, or difficulty
- 11. Creativity: to be creative or innovative
- 12. Curiosity: to be curious, open-minded, and interested; to explore and discover
- 13. Encouragement: to encourage and reward behaviour that I value in myself or others
- 14. Engagement: to engage fully in what I am doing
- 15. Fairness and justice: to be fair and just to myself or others
- 16. Fitness: to maintain or improve or look after my physical and mental health
- 17. Flexibility: to adjust and adapt readily to changing circumstances
- 18. Freedom and independence: to choose how I live and help others do likewise
- 19. Friendliness: to be friendly, companionable, or agreeable toward others
- 20. Forgiveness/self-forgiveness: to be forgiving toward myself or others
- 21. Fun and humour: to be fun loving; to seek, create, and engage in fun-filled activities
- 22. Gratitude: to be grateful for and appreciative of myself, others, and life
- 23. Honesty: to be honest, truthful, and sincere with myself and others

CLARIFYING YOUR VALUES

LIST OF COMMON VALUES - CONT.

- 24. Industry: to be industrious, hardworking, and dedicated
- 25. Intimacy: to open up, reveal, and share myself, emotionally or physically
- 26. Kindness: to be kind, considerate, nurturing, or caring toward myself or others
- 27. Love: to act lovingly or affectionately toward myself or others
- 28. Mindfulness: to be open to, engaged in and curious about the present moment
- 29. Order: to be orderly and organized
- 30. Persistence and commitment: to continue resolutely, despite problems or difficulties.
- 31. Respect/self-respect: to treat myself and others with care and consideration
- 32. Responsibility: to be responsible and accountable for my actions
- 34. Self-awareness: Being aware of my own thoughts, feelings and actions
- 35. Self-care: Looking after my health and well-being and getting my needs met
- 36. Self-control: Acting in accordance with my own ideals
- 37. Self-development: Continuing to grow, advance, and improve knowledge, skills, character and life experience
- 40. Skillfulness: to continually practice and improve my skills and apply myself fully
- 41. Supportiveness: to be supportive, helpful and available to myself or others
- 42. Trust: to be trustworthy; to be loyal, faithful, sincere, and reliable

VALUES

- Values are here and now
- Values are freely chosen
- Values give us direction
- Values often need to be prioritized
- Values may evolve over time

VS

GOALS

- Goals are set for the future
- Goals give a sense of purpose, until they are achieved
- Goals focus on the destination, not the journey



SMART GOALS ARE:

- Specific: specify what action you will take
- Motivated by your values. Ask: is this goal aligned with at least one health value?
- Adaptive; is doing this likely to improve your life in some way?
- Realistic; If 10 is 'very confident', how confident are you that you can achieve this goal?
- Time-framed,: specify the day, date, duration or time, as accurately as possible

MY SMART GOAL:

THIS ALIGNS WITH ME BEHAVING IN WAYS THAT ARE:

THE LIKELYHOOD OF ME DOING THIS IS:

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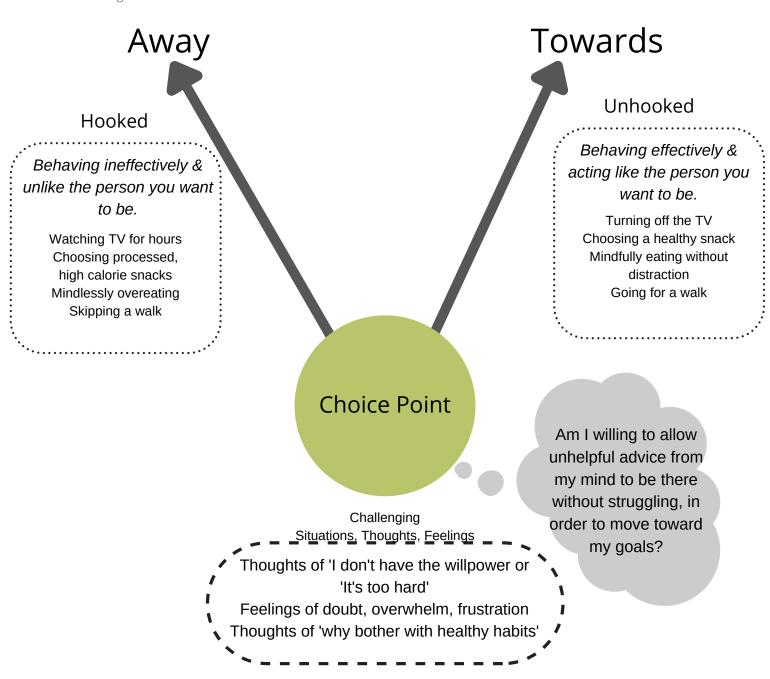
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Adjust & rewrite your goal if needed. Think small & doable: small actions ripple into big changes.

CHOICE POINT

TOWARDS OR AWAY?

Notice a difficult situation, thought(s) or feeling(s) that challenges you. Write this below the choice point. What behaviours do you engage in when you are 'hooked' by these situations, thoughts or feelings that move you away from your path? It might help to think of what someone would see you doing (or not doing) that would indicate you are hooked? Write this to the left of the 'Away' arrow. What would you do more of if you were 'unhooked' from these situations, thoughts or feelings? Write this to the right of the 'Towards' arrow.

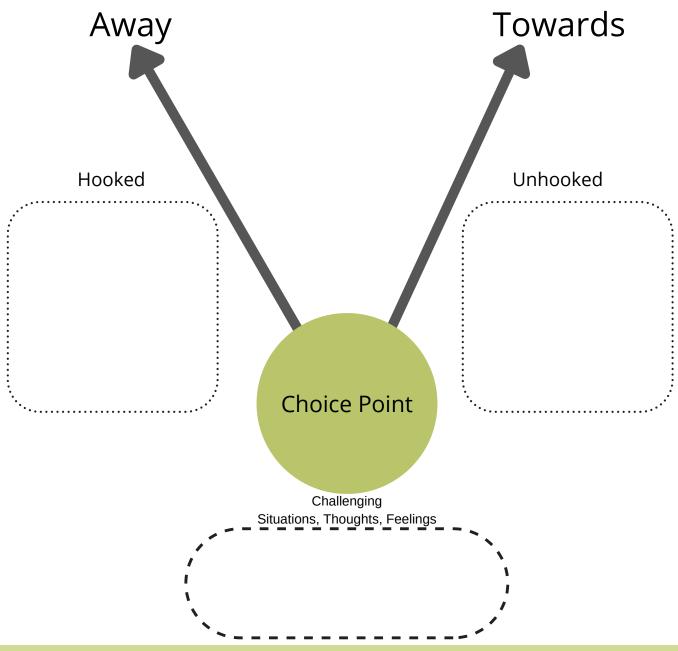


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