

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY RECOMMENDATIONS

FOR DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS



PRESCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN (3-5 YEARS)

Physical activity every day throughout the day

Active play through a variety of enjoyable physical activities



CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS (6-17 YEARS)

60 mins (1 hour) or more of moderate-to-vigorous intensity physical activity daily

A variety of enjoyable physical activities

As part of the 60 minutes, on at least 3 days a week, children and adolescents need:

- Vigorous activity such as running or soccer
- Activity that strengthens muscles such as climbing or push ups
- Activity that strengthens bones such as gymnastics or jumping rope



ADULTS (AGES 18-64 YEARS)*

At least 150 minutes a week of moderate intensity activity such as brisk walking

At least 2 days a week of activities that strengthen muscles

*Aim for the recommended activity level but be as active as one is able



OLDER ADULTS
(65 YEARS AND OLDER)*

At least 150 minutes a week of moderate intensity activity such as brisk walking

At least 2 days a week of activities that strengthen muscles

Activities to **improve balance** such as standing on one foot

*Aim for the recommended activity level but be as active as one is able