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SENIORS AGING IN PLACE

For today’s seniors, the desire to stay at home is strong. In fact, the modern elderly population is much different from its past counterparts. Almost 90% of people over 65 want to live in their home and community as long as possible, according to a report by the AARP Public Policy Institute and the National Conference of State Legislatures. A whopping 80% believe they will stay in their home for the remainder of their life. Aging in place allows seniors to enjoy all the comforts their familiar home has to offer. Today’s options to support seniors in their home offer seniors and their families the peace of mind and support to make staying at home a healthy option.

AGING IN PLACE PROVIDES A SENSE OF COMMUNITY
Seniors have spent a lifetime building family relationships and likely years bonding with neighbors. Removing older adults from their long-time homes can make them feel like those connections have weakened. According to research published in The Gerontologist, the majority of seniors want to age in place because of the attachment and familiarity they feel with their home and communities.

IT FIGHTS ISOLATION
That sense of community provided through aging in place does more than make seniors feel comfortable. It is also integral for fighting feelings of isolation, a dangerous trend among seniors. Researchers from the University of Chicago found a link between loneliness and high blood pressure in older adults. The study authors noted that feelings of loneliness can occur even when a senior is surrounded by people. This further demonstrates the importance of the familiarity and sense of community provided through aging in place.

Besides being preferred by seniors, aging in place offers another benefit: savings.

While it may seem that aging at home would be more expensive than moving to a nursing or assisted living home, the opposite is actually true. With help from a home healthcare worker, staying in your home costs about 20% of what a nursing home costs on a monthly basis.
HOME HEALTH CARE CAN HELP
For many families and seniors, home health care is a beneficial choice—a safe and affordable solution that supports the family, while allowing seniors to stay in the comfort of their own homes and communities.

HERE ARE TEN WAYS HOME HEALTH CARE CAN SUPPORT YOU:
1. Home health care professionals can be there when needed. If family and loved ones are a distance away, home health care can give you peace of mind. Trained and qualified professionals can assess safety risks and make simple corrections in the home—from placing a rug on a slippery floor, to recommendations for ambulatory assistance.

2. Home care supports activities of daily living (ADLs). In-home services allow adults to receive day-to-day help with the personal care they need, preserving their dignity and maintaining a good quality of life. Assistance with activities of daily living can include bathing, grooming, and medication reminders.

3. Access to skilled nursing care at home. Skilled medical care can be delivered at home by thoroughly supervised nurses, certified, licensed and knowledgeable about high-technology medical equipment. Home health care can ensure that your loved one’s complex medical needs are met.

4. Support with diet and nutrition. Adults age 65 and older, people with chronic conditions, and those recently discharged from a hospital or nursing facility are likely to be nutritionally at-risk. Aging, bed rest, illness, and injury can all contribute to the loss of lean body mass. Home care may include nutritional counseling and home-cooked meals to protect against malnutrition.

5. Medication management. Multiple prescriptions can be confusing to manage. Home health care professionals can ensure the right medications are being taken at the right times to control health conditions and prevent harmful drug interactions.

6. Home health care professionals provide caring companionship. Research shows that aging adults stay healthier with social interaction. Home health aides can become trusted friends for walks, reading, cards, games, movies, meals, and other social activities. Accompaniment on errands such as grocery shopping, medical appointments, and other activities are also added benefits.

7. Home care helps with light household chores. When aging adults struggle the daily demands of housework, such as laundry, vacuuming, dishes, and simple chores home care helps to consistently maintain a safe and healthy living environment.

8. Home health care clients have comparable or better health outcomes. Research has shown that clinical results are comparable or better with fewer complications when home care is provided to individuals with chronic conditions such as pneumonia, diabetes, or COPD.

9. One-on-one focus and support. Home health care services are truly unique, providing meaningful, one-on-one personal and skilled care that builds strong bonds between professionals and their clients. According to the Cleveland Clinical Journal a person who is seen by a clinician in the comfort of home more readily trusts that the health care team places their needs first.

10. An affordable alternative to facility or hospital care. According to the National Association of Home Care, the average cost of care from a skilled nursing facility is $544 dollars per day, while the average cost of home health care is $132 dollars.

OUR PROMISE
Through Trusted HomeCare Home Care Services, you can rest assured that your loved one and family will be safe and secure in a positive environment right at their home. Even if you simply have questions or want to understand how to better care for your elderly loved one experiencing the inevitable process of aging, we are able to help with that.

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LASER THERAPY HAS BEEN SHEDDING LIGHT ON HAIR LOSS AND PROMOTING HAIR GROWTH SINCE THE 1960’S AND HAS IN RECENT YEARS BECOME A GO-TO TREATMENT FOR HAIR RESTORATION PHYSICIANS. THE NEWEST WEAPON IN THE ARSENAL COMES 10 YEARS AFTER THE RELEASE OF THE FIRST LASERCAP DEVICE, A PORTABLE HANDS-FREE FDA-CLEARED HAIR REGROWTH TREATMENT. THE NEW AND ADVANCED BAUMAN TURBO LASERCAP DELIVERS MORE ENERGY TO MORE AREAS OF THE SCALP THAN ANY OTHER PORTABLE LASER HAIR REGROWTH DEVICE ON THE MARKET.

The Bauman TURBO LaserCap was the brainchild of Dr. Michael Rabin, inventor of the original LaserCap, in collaboration with Dr. Alan Bauman, a new treatment pioneer and early adopter of laser therapy for hair growth.

THE SCIENCE BEHIND LASER THERAPY
Laser therapy for hair growth utilizes wavelengths of light in the “visible red” part of the spectrum which have a biological effect on cells. It is known that wavelengths of light produced by the diodes of the lasers are associated with increased blood flow and an increase in energy production (ATP) within the cells, which may be a primary mechanism for helping a follicle to grow better hair by producing thicker, longer, healthier hair strands. Since their discovery in the 1960s, low-level lasers have been proven to be an effective drug-free and side effect-free way to help heal wounds, relieve pain, increase circulation, and decrease inflammation.

BENEFITS OF THE BAUMAN TURBO LASERCAP
Completely reimagined and redesigned from the ground up, the Bauman TURBO LaserCap is the quickest, most powerful device for at-home laser therapy for hair growth, delivering the most laser power over the largest area of any at-home laser using only the highest quality laser diodes available. The Bauman TURBO LaserCap has 300 diodes which simultaneously cover an area 25% larger than any other previous at-home devices, delivering 2-3x more laser energy than previous devices.

The Bauman TURBO LaserCap is also ideal for accelerating healing in hair transplant donor areas around the back of the scalp thanks to its occipital zone lasers. This expanded coverage area also helps protect and enhance hair follicle function at-risk areas around the sides and back of the scalp where hair extensions are often attached.

- **Hair Growth:** FDA-cleared for safe, non-chemical, side effect-free hair growth.
- **Expanded Coverage:** 300 High-quality laser diodes have been thoughtfully placed for maximum hair growth, post-op healing and hair extension damage protection.
- **Fastest Treatment Time:** 5-minute treatment sessions are now possible because of the high-quality diodes and technological improvements which maintain maximum power and deliver more energy in less time.
- **Most Portable:** The Bauman TURBO LaserCap packs completely flat for convenient travel.

THE BAUMAN TURBO LASERCAP RIGHT FOR YOU?
For those with hair loss or hair thinning, keep in mind these may be influenced by many factors including heredity, medications, illness, stress, nutrition, lifestyle, etc., and left untreated only gets worse with time. Because so many factors can influence one’s hair loss status, it is essential to undergo a thorough medical consultation with a specialist before initiating any hair restoration regimen. Baseline evaluations, tracking measurements and standardized medical photos are critical to provide an objective measurement of your progress. Laser therapy like the Bauman TURBO LaserCap can add a non-chemical side effect-free treatment to your hair growth regimen.

LASER THERAPY IS NOT A CURE
Although the Bauman TURBO LaserCap offers the most powerful and efficient at-home device available, patients should note that laser therapy, like other non-invasive hair growth treatments, is not a “miracle cure,” but it can be an important treatment for damaged hair, thinning hair and hair loss. While laser therapy does facilitate hair growth, it is important to understand that it doesn’t regrow
hair that is already dead and gone, which is why early detection and intervention is essential for optimal results. Laser therapy can jumpstart areas where the hair is thinning and can also be effective for hair growth when used in combination with other medical treatments like compounded topical minoxidil 82M, oral finasteride, platelet-rich plasma (PRP) plus extracellular matrix (ECM), PDOgro™, prostaglandin analogs, nutritional supplements and hair transplant surgery.

For more information on what kind of results you might achieve with the Bauman TURBO LaserCap or how laser therapy can be added to your ‘multi-therapy’ hair restoration regimen, please visit www.baumanmedical.com or call 561-220-3480.

ABOUT LASER THERAPY FOR HAIR REGROWTH

• FDA-cleared for the treatment for hair loss.
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• Improves hair growth by reversing the miniaturization of hair by improving blood flow and increasing energy production at the follicle.
• Increases mitochondrial membrane potential at the cellular level through a process called photobiomodulation.
• Consistent use of low-level laser therapy treats hair loss, hair thinning and has been proven to improve the appearance of hair quality, hair strength and hair thickness in addition to promoting hair growth.
• Clinical studies have shown a 51% increase in healthy hair counts on subjects when compared to those using placebo devices.
• There has never been a reported side effect of low-level laser therapy since its use began in the 1960s.
• The one-time cost of a powerful laser therapy device may be your least expensive hair growth treatment over time.
Pain Management for Facet Joint Pain: Radiofrequency (RF) Ablation/Rhizotomy

The purpose of radiofrequency (RF) rhizotomy, also known as RF neurotomy or ablation, is to reduce or eliminate facet joint pain (arthritis) and related symptoms in the neck, mid back or low back. The goal of the procedure is to interrupt communication of pain between a specific medial nerve root and the brain. The medial nerve roots innervate the spine’s facet joints. This is how we feel this pain.

Before a RF rhizotomy is performed, the pain generating facet joint nerves have been identified by means of a diagnostic injection, such as a facet joint or medial branch nerve block. Other tests may include MRI. Since the medial branch nerves do not control neck or low back muscles, it is not harmful to disrupt or turn off their ability to send signals to the brain conceived as pain.

RF ablation is a precisely targeted injection that works by creating energy to destroy a facet joint’s medial branch nerve. Relief from pain and related symptoms may last a year or longer. However, the medial branch nerve root regenerates (grows back) and facet joint pain may come back in years time. Results vary from patient to patient. For example, if there is instability at the segment where the RF neurotomy is performed, pain relief and its duration is less.
BASIC FACET JOINT ANATOMY
Each vertebra in the cervical (neck), thoracic (chest), and lumbar (low back) has two sets of facet joints at the back of the spine. One pair faces upward and one downward with a joint on the left and right sides of the vertebra. Facet joints are hinge-like and link vertebrae together. Each facet joint is innervated by a medial branch nerve. The medial branch nerves control sensation to the facet joint. These nerves DO NOT control sensations or muscles in your arms or legs and therefore are safe to treat.

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING AND AFTER THE PROCEDURE
The procedure is performed in a sterile setting similar to an outpatient procedure suite.

Your injection site is cleaned and draped. Skin numbing medication is injected and given time to take effect.

Dr. Rosenblatt uses fluoroscopic guidance (real time x-ray) to guide the needle electrode beside the medial branch nerve. Through the electrode, mild electrical current (radiofrequency) stimulates the medial branch nerve. As the electrode is energized, the nerve is changed so the patient’s arthritic spine pain will improve.

After the procedure, the patient is moved to the recovery area where our medical staff continues to monitor you if needed.

You may be discharged home following your RF ablation. Our medical staff provides you with written aftercare and home instructions.

BENEFITS OF RADIOFREQUENCY ABLATION INCLUDE:
• Pain relief for up to 2 years
• Significant and longer lasting pain relief compared to steroid injections
• Low complication and morbidity rates
• Appreciable pain relief compared to surgery: Nearly half of back pain sufferers are not helped by surgery
• Greater range of motion
• Lower or no use of analgesics (pain meds)
• Improved quality of life
• No significant recovery time

Dr. Rosenblatt explains, “This procedure is so valuable to help people of all ages virtually eliminate their arthritic spine pain. It is great for neck and lumbar spine. It has saved people from requiring spine surgery. It is simple to perform and provides life changing relief.”

In Dr. Rosenblatt’s beautiful freestanding interventional pain management building in Delray Beach, FL, thousands of individuals have been able to benefit from this technique. Dr. Rosenblatt has been performing this procedure for more than 15 years with great success. Please look forward to more articles about Dr. Aaron Rosenblatt and the vast number of procedures he performs to help people with all types of pain. His main focus is to help individuals avoid surgery, eliminate pain medications and to ultimately feel much better on a daily basis and enjoy life!

Early Pain Treatment CAN PREVENT Prolonged Suffering!
More and more patients prefer to avoid or at least postpone a facelift, or simply are not a candidate for a facelift due to medical reasons. This is a good alternative for those patients. In addition, a facelift although it lifts sagging skin, it does not replace volume in the face.

First let’s discuss what aging really is in order to understand how we can combat it effectively. Aging of the face consists of volume loss and sagging skin. If we want to “naturally” rejuvenate the face we need to address both these issues. The Silhouette Instalift™ is the only non-surgical procedure that addresses both issues.
This Silhouette technology is in a class of its own, it’s not a filler and it’s not your typical thread. It is both, “dual action” means it lifts and volumizes at the same time. It is an advanced micro-suspension technology that uses small (3D) 360 degree cones made from PLLA (also known as “Sculptra”) to simultaneously lift skin and build collagen. The lifting effect is immediate while collagen production is gradual and peaks at about 8-12 weeks.

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Once the sutures are placed, the skin will be repositioned to obtain the desired lifting effect. The ends of the suture are then cut. The number of sutures applied depends on each individual patient’s skin elasticity and condition of the skin. Possible side effects are, as with any procedure that involves needles, bruising and minor pain and swelling. This is an office procedure that takes about 45 minutes and lasts about 18-24 months. The Silhouette InstaLift™ was FDA approved in April 2018 for use in the mid-face and was awarded the prestigious 2018 New Beauty Magazine breakthrough award. It has been popular in both South America and Europe for many years.

Why choose Silhouette InstaLift™?

- Non-surgical procedure
- Minimally invasive
- Minimal recovery time/no down time
- Immediate lifting effects
- Volumizing in addition to lifting effects due to PLLA collagen stimulation
- Sutures are entirely re-absorbable
- Natural looking

I am so excited to be able to perform this procedure right here in my office. Call today to see if you are a candidate for the Silhouette InstaLift™. MD Beauty Labs (561) 655-6325.

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The retina is the light-sensitive tissue lining the back of our eye. Light rays are focused onto the retina through our cornea, pupil and lens. The retina converts the light rays into impulses that travel through the optic nerve to our brain, where they are interpreted as the images we see. A healthy, intact retina is key to clear vision.

The middle of our eye is filled with a clear gel called vitreous (vi-tree-us) that is attached to the retina. Sometimes tiny clumps of gel or cells inside the vitreous will cast shadows on the retina, and you may sometimes see small dots, specks, strings or clouds moving in your field of vision. These are called floaters. You can often see them when looking at a plain, light background, like a blank wall or blue sky.

As we get older, the vitreous may shrink and pull on the retina. When this happens, you may notice what look like flashing lights, lightning streaks or the sensation of seeing “stars.” These are called flashes. Usually, the vitreous moves away from the retina without causing problems. But sometimes the vitreous pulls hard enough to tear the retina in one or more places. Fluid may pass through a retinal tear, lifting the retina off the back of the eye — much as wallpaper can peel off a wall. When the retina is pulled away from the back of the eye like this, it is called a retinal detachment.

The retina does not work when it is detached and vision becomes blurry. A retinal detachment is a very serious problem that almost always causes blindness unless it is treated with detached retina surgery.

TORN OR DETACHED RETINA SYMPTOMS
Symptoms of a retinal tear and a retinal detachment can include the following:

- A sudden increase in size and number of floaters, indicating a retinal tear may be occurring;
- A sudden appearance of flashes, which could be the first stage of a retinal tear or detachment;
- Having a shadow appear in the periphery (side) of your field of vision;
- Seeing a gray curtain moving across your field of vision;
- A sudden decrease in your vision.

Floaters and flashes in themselves are quite common and do not always mean you have a retinal tear or detachment. However, if they are suddenly more severe and you notice you are losing vision, you should call your ophthalmologist right away.

WHO IS AT RISK FOR A TORN OR DETACHED RETINA?
People with the following conditions have an increased risk for retinal detachment:

- Nearsightedness;
- Previous cataract surgery;
- Glaucoma;
- Severe eye injury;
- Previous retinal detachment in the other eye;
- Family history of retinal detachment;
- Weak areas in the retina that can be seen by an ophthalmologist during an eye exam.
TORN OR DETACHED RETINA DIAGNOSIS
Your ophthalmologist can diagnose retinal tear or retinal detachment during an eye examination where he or she dilates (widens) the pupils of your eyes. An ultrasound of the eye may also be performed to get additional detail of the retina.

Only after careful examination can your ophthalmologist tell whether a retinal tear or early retinal detachment is present. Some retinal detachments are found during a routine eye examination. That is why it is so important to have regular eye exams.

TORN OR DETACHED RETINA TREATMENT
A retinal tear or a detached retina is repaired with a surgical procedure. Based on your specific condition, your ophthalmologist will discuss the type of procedure recommended and will tell you about the various risks and benefits of your treatment options.

Torn retina surgery
Most retinal tears need to be treated by sealing the retina to the back wall of the eye with laser surgery. Both of these procedures create a scar that helps seal the retina to the back of the eye. This prevents fluid from traveling through the tear and under the retina, which usually prevents the retina from detaching. These treatments cause little or no discomfort and may be performed in your ophthalmologist’s office.

Laser surgery (photocoagulation)
With laser surgery, your Eye M.D. uses a laser to make small burns around the retinal tear. The scarring that results seals the retina to the underlying tissue, helping to prevent a retinal detachment.

Detached retina surgery
Almost all patients with retinal detachments must have surgery to place the retina back in its proper position. Otherwise, the retina will lose the ability to function, possibly permanently, and blindness can result. The method for fixing retinal detachment depends on the characteristics of the detachment. In each of the following methods, your Eye M.D. will locate the retinal tears and use laser surgery or cryotherapy to seal the tear.

Sometimes an oil bubble is used (instead of a gas bubble) to keep the retina in place. Your body’s own fluids will gradually replace a gas bubble. An oil bubble will need to be removed from the eye at a later date with another surgical procedure. Sometimes vitrectomy is combined with a scleral buckle.

If a gas bubble was placed in your eye, your ophthalmologist may recommend that you keep your head in special positions for a time. Do not fly in an airplane or travel at high altitudes until you are told the gas bubble is gone. A rapid increase in altitude can cause a dangerous rise in eye pressure. With an oil bubble, it is safe to fly on an airplane.

Most retinal detachment surgeries (80 to 90 percent) are successful, although a second operation is sometimes needed.

Some retinal detachments cannot be fixed. The development of scar tissue is the usual reason that a retina is not able to be fixed. If the retina cannot be reattached, the eye will continue to lose sight and ultimately become blind.

After successful surgery for retinal detachment, vision may take many months to improve and, in some cases, may never return fully. Unfortunately, some patients do not recover any vision. The more severe the detachment, the less vision may return. For this reason, it is very important to see your ophthalmologist regularly or at the first sign of any trouble with your vision.

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WHAT CAUSES ED?
As men age, the vessels in the penis weaken, contract and fill with micro-plaque just as they do elsewhere in the body. This prohibits men from achieving an erection or decreases the firmness of a man's erection. At the same time, the penis decreases in sensitivity, making it harder to achieve a pleasurable orgasm. Finally, the time necessary between orgasm and the ability to achieve an erection (the refractory time) increases. The bottom line is that most erectile dysfunction is a result of poor blood flow, known as vasculogenic ED.

COMMON TREATMENT FOR ED:
As many as 50% of men experience some form of ED by the age of 50. For many years men with ED have resorted to oral ED medications to relieve their symptoms. Oral medications for ED can be an effective temporary relief of the symptoms of ED, they don't target the root cause of most patients’ ED, they can often bring unwanted side effects, and they can fail to work up to 50% of the time in some men.
Expensive oral medications such as Viagra and Cialis may cause unwanted side effects, such as nasal congestion, headaches, upset stomach, vision changes, facial flushing, and dizziness. They also have to be taken before intercourse limiting spontaneity. Finally, there are many men with cardiovascular disease who are not candidates for treatment with these medications.

Depending on the severity of ED, The Journal of Urology reported oral ED medications may only yield up to a 27% effective rate in those with severe ED. This leads patients with more severe ED to invasive treatments like penile injections, where medication is injected directly into the penis before intercourse. This again limits spontaneity and chronically drains the wallet.

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- Decreased recovery time between orgasms

IS IT SAFE?
Yes. This is an FDA cleared technology that originally developed in Europe and is used worldwide. GAINSWave uses state-of-the-art technology that has extensive applications including orthopedic medicine, urology, and anti-aging treatments and wound healing. While a specific indication for treating ED has not yet been granted, we know that it is only a matter of time given the extraordinary success. In clinical practice, over a 79% of the men who utilize this treatment report improvement in symptoms related to ED. We have even seen improvements in those men who have lost functioning after some forms of prostate surgery. GAINSWave has virtually no risks or side effects and no downtime. This therapy has been used extensively in Europe for over 10-15 years, but is relatively new to the U.S. for erectile dysfunction.

HOW TO GET STARTED
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75% of men with ED who have received the GAINSWave procedure saw a reversal of their condition, and gave up taking oral ED medications. Nearly 75% of men receiving GAINSWave have reported positive results and improved sexual performance. The majority of patients with ED reported an improvement of their condition and gave up taking oral ED medications.
The truth is that anxiety is a pattern of neuron firing in the brain that can be present from birth. Brain neural patterns don’t necessarily dictate how we will behave, however, trying to change the environment or behavior won’t alter the patterns. Therefore, you can’t talk someone out of anxiety. And for children and young adults, you can’t change their routines or discipline them from feeling anxious.

In babies and infants, anxiety neural patterns in the brain may present as:
- Colic
- Fussiness
- Not a good sleeper
- Tantrums
- Sensitive

“...she’s refusing to go to school today”. “He’s unmotivated to do anything except play video games and that is why his stomach hurts all of the time and he sleeps all day”. “She just has too many activities scheduled and that’s why she’s overwhelmed”. “He has too much homework and is up all night studying which explains why he doesn’t sleep well”.

The reality of the situation is that neither your child’s personality nor their hectic schedule is the culprit. It’s their brain, or rather, the neural patterns in their brain, that is not allowing them to handle the workload at school, pressure with friends, feeling good, making good food choices, having a normal sleep schedule, and so on. And to make it even harder to diagnose or differentiate, anxiety patterns can look different but produce the same results.

Here is an example of one type of anxiety pattern. Increased BETA and High BETA is located in the central and frontal lobes. This could cause anxiety symptoms that range from OCD, anger control issues, irritability and impulsivity, poor judgement, excessive worrying, feelings of being overwhelmed and depressed, among others.

Very often, we contribute anxiety to traumatic events. As in the case of PTSD (Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder). Therefore, it becomes difficult to recognize the early symptoms of anxiety in children who haven’t experienced a traumatic event. However, as mentioned previously, these neuron firing patterns can be present from birth and may not have a root or cause in emotional or physical trauma. It’s a pattern in the brain that they are born with.

As a child reaches school age, anxiety may look like:
- Worrying about performance, grades
- Worrying about parents or loved ones dying
- More separation anxiety
- Fear of getting sick (vomiting is most popular)
- Fear of getting sick at school
- Social anxiety, difficulty with friends
- Feeling overwhelmed
- Nightmares or unable to sleep/fall asleep alone
- Sleep walking, talking or restless sleep
- Fatigue
- Refusal to go to school or meltdowns when going to school
- Frequent trips to the clinic
- Vocal or motor tics
- Loss of appetite or poor diet
- Somatic symptoms such as stomachaches, headaches, diarrhea, or digestive problems
- Poor grades usually due to missing school or falling behind

As a child gets older into the toddler years it may present as:
- Terrible two’s, three’s, and four’s
- A spirited child
- Cranky, fussy, and not a good sleeper or napper
- Tantrums
- Picky or sensitive
- Difficulty with separation

I know what you are thinking. These symptoms are normal for children this age. And you are correct; they are perfectly normal, developmental behaviors for infants and toddlers. This is why diagnosing anxiety in young children is very difficult and not usually done unless symptoms are severe. In most cases, anxiety manifests at an older age when the symptoms are abnormal for the age or stage of development. And even then, parents tend to want to attribute what they observe to behavioral, personality or social causes.

As neurofeedback can help

It’s hard to imagine sometimes, that children or young adults can suffer from anxiety. What do they have to be worried about? Without careers, bills, mortgages, and financial or family responsibilities, their lives are simple and easy.
As they reach the teenage and young adult years, the problem can become more apparent and more severe:

- Continued worry and difficulty handling traumatic events
- Dropping out of extra-curricular activities
- More social interaction difficulties or isolation
- Depression, suicidal or homicidal ideations
- Poor choices when confronted with life decisions (drugs, alcohol, sex)
- Beginning to develop dysfunctional coping skills or self-medicating
- Poor school performance/failing classes, suspensions or expulsions
- Poor conduct: lying, stealing, violence
- Onset of panic attacks
- Continued somatic symptoms and fluctuation in weight (gain/loss)
- Manifestation into other anxiety disorders such as: Obsessive-compulsive Disorder, Eating Disorders, Trichotillomania, PICA, Body Dysmorphic Disorders, Phobias, Panic Disorders, Addiction, Social Anxiety, Performance Anxiety, etc.

According to The Anxiety and Depression Association of America, “Anxiety and depression are treatable, but 80 percent of kids with a diagnosable anxiety disorder and 60 percent of kids with diagnosable depression are not getting treatment, according to the 2015 Child Mind Institute Children’s Mental Health Report.”

Many health professionals believe that anxiety is a normal part of childhood and symptoms are not cause for alarm. Others believe that parenting and discipline need to be improved or implemented to treat the symptoms. In severe cases, medication is introduced as a treatment, but unfortunately, many children who suffer with symptoms, are medication resistant or not severe enough to medicate.

Neurofeedback can help. Neurofeedback can not only help reduce the anxiety symptoms specific to your child, but it can “retrain” the neural patterns in the brain so that anxiety is better managed or controlled throughout your child’s life. Through Neuroplasticity, Neurofeedback becomes a permanent correction of the anxiety patterns in the brain.

**WHAT IS NEUROFEEDBACK?**

Neurofeedback, also known as EEG biofeedback, has been studied and practiced since the late 60’s. It is exercise for your brain; allowing you to see the frequencies produced by different parts of your brain in real-time and then through visual and auditory feedback, teaches the brain to better regulate itself. Neurofeedback can be used to help detect, stimulate, and/or inhibit activity in the brain safely and without medication. It can help restore a wider “range of motion” in brain states, much like physical therapy does for the body.

While the client sits comfortably watching a movie or pictures appear on the screen (a calm and focused state), the EEG equipment measures the frequency or speed at which electrical activity moves in the areas where electrodes have been placed. This information is sent to the therapist’s computer. The therapist is then able to determine what frequencies are out of balance. For example, when the EEG shows that you are making too many “slow” or “sleepy” waves (delta/theta) or too many “fast” waves (high beta), the therapist adjusts a reward band to encourage more balanced activity. This encouragement or “reward” happens through an auditory reinforcement of “beeps” and sometimes through visual reinforcement of changes on the screen.

**WHAT TYPES OF CONDITIONS DOES NEUROFEEDBACK HELP?**

Symptoms of these conditions, among others, can improve through neurofeedback training:

- Anxiety
- Sleep disorders
- Depression
- ADD/ADHD
- Sensory processing disorder
- Seizure disorders
- Auditory/visual processing
- Chronic pain/Fibromyalgia
- Migraines/headaches
- Traumatic brain injury
- Stroke

- Cognitive decline
- Peak performance
- Oppositional defiant disorder
- Rages/mood swings
- Attention/focus/concentration
- Reactive attachment disorder
- Autism/Asperger’s
- Learning disabilities
- Obsessive compulsive disorder

**WHAT IS A QEEG (QUANTITATIVE EEG) OR BRAIN MAP?**

The QEEG is a quantitative EEG. It’s also called a brain map and does just that...it gives us a map of what is going on with the entire brain at one time. We attach electrodes to the whole head, 19 spots, and then record the brain waves with eyes open for 5 minutes and with eyes closed for 10 minutes. This recording is then sent to an independent specialist be read and analyzed. They are able to not only give us a summary of significant findings but the report also shows the results of analyzing the data several different ways. The brain activity is not only compared spot by spot over the entire head, but we can also look at connections, symmetry, how different parts are communicating and all of this data is compared to a database of peers (same sex, handedness and age). It can help us see what areas need to be addressed more efficiently than just training spot by spot.

We don’t always need this data to make improvements in symptoms but we do recommend it in certain situations. A QEEG can also be helpful information when diagnosing and/or trying to decide the best medication/supplement recommendations.

**IS THERE ENOUGH RESEARCH?**

Neurofeedback has been researched since the 60’s. Here are some resources for research. We have several journal articles, studies and books in our office for you to enjoy, however because of the amount of information out there, we cannot possibly have everything. Here are a few resources.

**Look up the work of:**

Dr. Joe Kamiya and Dr. Barry Serman (Credited for earliest development of Neurofeedback).

**Look for specific researched conditions:**

https://www.eeginfo.com
https://www.isnr.org
http://www.eegspectrum.com

**Print Resources:**

Journal of Neurotherapy
Neuroregulation
Applied Psychophysiology and Biofeedback


**HOW DO I GET STARTED?**

Getting started is easy, just give us a call. The Brain and Wellness Center staff will answer all of your questions, and help you get scheduled. If you are wondering what services are best for you? We can help determine that at the time of the intake, in a telephone consultation, or you can schedule a face to face consultation and see our facility. Call, email or message us today! Brain and Wellness Center, 7301 W. Palmetto Park Rd., Suite 102A, Boca Raton, FL 33433. (561) 206-2706, e-mail us at info@bocabraincenter.com, or text us at (561) 206-2706 or visit our website at www.BocaBrainCenter.com.

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Aging can be challenging not only relating to our health but also our ability to perform daily tasks and to live the life we deserve. When we’re younger, we often take for granted the ability to easily jump in an out of the bath or shower, walk up and down the stairs, or the capacity to stroll safely from the bathroom to the living room without tripping over an area rug and getting hurt.

Whether you’ve suffered from a stroke, have arthritic knees, or perhaps you’ve undergone a total hip replacement, whatever the reason, getting around the home safely gets much more challenging as we age.

Top Ten Things to Keep Seniors Safe:

1. **Install grab bars** – Getting in and out of the shower can be tricky. For one thing, when the surface is wet, slips and falls are not uncommon, and they can be deadly. Another reason to consider installing grab bars is if you or your loved one can no longer easily lift their legs to climb in or out of the bathtub. A grab bar increases stability in these cases. It’s also important to consider that medications sometimes make us dizzy and having the grab bar there can alleviate imbalance or a fall.
Purchase a shower seat – If you are unable to stand in the shower, perhaps from dizziness, weakness, or vertigo, a shower seat provides a significant benefit. In addition, if a loved one has paralysis from a stroke then the ability to sit while getting showered is essential.

Purchase a hand-held shower – If you have a shower seat or if you need to sit in the bath, a hand-held shower option is ideal. Many individuals cannot put their head back or lean it forward, so this also helps when washing the hair in the bathtub, as well as when using a shower seat.

Purchase a lift chair – A lift chair is a comfortable recliner that has a motor that actually raises the chair so you can more easily rise to a standing position. This eliminates the risk of getting stuck in the seated position due to weakness. They greatly enhance safety, and they are very comfortable too!

Remove throw rugs – Many people don't realize how often elderly individuals trip over the corners of area rugs. Their walkers can get stuck or the footing can be uneven. As we age, it's best to remove them from the home.

Remove clutter – Decluttering your home is good for the spirit, but more importantly, it provides a much safer environment. Tripping over boxes, odds and ends, laundry baskets, or extension cords can cause major injuries and unwanted trips to the hospital.

Address hard floors and sharp furniture – Area rugs are unsafe, but so are hard floors. Consider installing carpeting on the floors to soften the brunt of a fall. Similarly, consider adding padding to the edges of counters and remove sharp edged furniture.

Obtain a remotely monitored fall-assist device (e.g., “Lifeline”) – If you are vulnerable or have medical conditions, it's critical to have a life assistance button. For example, if you fall or suddenly feel faint or have a heart attack, you need a way to contact emergency medical services without having to get to a telephone. Having a life assistance button is crucial for seniors.

Purchase a bed handle – Getting in and out of bed can be difficult when our bodies are stiff and full of pain. A bed handle can make it easier to get up or in the bed, and it can even act as a barrier to help keep you safely in the bed.

Consider a personal mobility device such as a cane or walker – Getting around gets more difficult as you age. There are many benefits to having a walker or cane for more stability.

If you are beginning to feel unstable or if for any reason think you might need a walker or cane, talk to your physician or caregiver. Don’t wait until you’ve had a fall.

Kin-Care Medical Supplies
When selecting medical equipment for your home, the decision must be done carefully and with professional assistance. It is obviously not a one-size-fits-all approach. Kin Care Medical Supplies carries many of the products described above and can help you with the selection process. Kin-Care provides professional guidance for their clients, and they file the necessary paperwork to assist you in obtaining the maximum allowable Medicare and insurance benefits for the medical supply products you need.

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• Very safe and studies show excellent outcomes

WHAT IS A STEM CELL?
Stem Cells are undifferentiated biological cell types obtained from the amniotic fluid and amniotic membranes or from the umbilical cord that can differentiate into various cell types that can help your body repair, regenerative and restore your health and vitality.

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• Stop the progression of neuropathy and future damage.
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• COPD
• Kidney Failure
• Chronic conditions and autoimmune diseases
• Help heal chronic skin conditions and wound healing.
• Regrow your OWN hair without surgery
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CURE PEYRONIE’S: Instead of medicating CURE with RejuvaWAVE®
Simply Men’s Health at REJUVAnation Medical Center revolutionized the field of men’s sexual health by introducing and developing the ground breaking RejuvaWAVE® and RejuvaEnhancement™ Procedure to help reverse the inevitable aging process and treat Peyronie’s disease.

Simply Men’s Health REJUVAnation Medical Center has revolutionized the standard of care by introducing the only treatment that CURES Peyronie’s disease RejuvaWAVE® is revolutionary, non-invasive, and HEALS the underlying cause of Peyronie’s. RejuvaWAVE® uses FDA-cleared, scientifically proven technology of Acoustic Pressure Waves to stimulate cellular metabolism, reduce plaque build-up, enhance blood circulation and to stimulate tissue regeneration, which creates new blood vessels in treated areas. Traditional Peyronie’s treatments lose effectiveness over time and have to be used every time a man wants to perform. Simply Men’s Health RejuvaWAVE® treatment is about regenerative medicine and treating and curing the underlying cause of Peyronie’s with regenerative medicine. Regenerative medicine shifts the body into a healing and restoration state and helps men return to their younger healthier selves and to enjoy life again!

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Is RejuvaWAVE® SAFE?
Yes. RejuvaWAVE® is an FDA cleared technology, originally developed in Europe and used worldwide. RejuvaWAVE® uses state-of-the-art technology that has extensive applications including orthopedic medicine, urology and anti-aging. RejuvaWAVE® has virtually no risk and no side effects. Although acoustic pressure wave technology has been used for over 15 years to treat Peyronie’s in Europe, it is relatively new to the United States for the disorder. As the leader in men’s sexual health, Simply Men’s Health introduced this technology in the spring of 2015, and the results have been nothing short of amazing.

STEM CELLS for Peyronie’s: RejuvaEnhancement™ Procedure?
RejuvaWAVE® stimulates your body’s own healing response and creates new blood vessels and regenerates tissue in the area treated. The RejuvaEnhancement™ Procedure combines the growth factors and stem cells from your own body with live, cryogenically preserved multipotent stem cells and hundreds of growth factors and cytokines derived from human placenta, amniotic and umbilical cord tissues which activate your own body’s stem cells. In addition, LIVE multipotent stem cells and fibroblasts in this allograft promote cell repair and tissue regeneration working synergistically with and magnifying the effects of RejuvaWAVE® to restore patients to their younger healthier selves. Rather than relying on oral medications or injections as a temporary fix before each sexual activity, patients enjoy can enjoy a spontaneous and active sex life again. Also, this procedure can increase both the length and girth of the penis by up to one inch.

THE POWER OF STEM CELLS?
Stem cells have the potential to differentiate into many different types of cells and can serve as an internal repair system, which can replace damaged or worn out tissue. Multipotent stem cells, derived from amniotic-placental tissue and umbilical cord have virtually unlimited potential to become any type of cell in the body. Adult stem cells derived from either bone marrow or fat cells are limited to the type of cells they can develop into. In addition, as one ages the quantity and the quality of stem cells obtained from bone marrow and fat drops exponentially and 80% of the stem cells derived from fat die within two days.

ARE THE REJUVANATION AMNIOTIC AND UMBILICAL CORD STEM CELL PROCEDURES SAFE?
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HOW TO GET STARTED?
RejuvaNation Medical Center and Simply Men’s Health are dedicated to providing cutting-edge, minimally invasive methods to STOP and reverse the effects of the aging process and help your body to repair, regenerate, restore and heal itself. We see incredible results and can help you regain your vitality.

WHAT OUR PATIENTS ARE SAYING:

Testimonial: “I am celebrating my second anniversary since being treated at Simply Men’s Health and I am maintaining the high level of performance I achieved with RejuvaWAVE® treatment. My spontaneity and stamina is back and my frustration and performance anxiety that goes along with it is gone. I am performing like I did decades ago. It’s like magic! There are a lot of copycats out there, but Simply Men’s Health was the first to provide this treatment and they are the best!” – Steve, Wellington

Testimonial: “I’m a 70 year old widow and have had ED for over twenty years. Unexpectedly, I me a wonderful lady and when we wanted to take our relationship to the next level, I couldn’t perform. I came to Simply Men’s Health and after several months I started to notice improvements... and after about six month ED is no longer a problem. I have sex regularly without any pills or needles.” – Joseph, M

Testimonial: “I am in my 70’s and have diabetes, high cholesterol, and had prostate removed for cancer several years ago. I had tried everything, and thought my sex life was over. I have been coming to Simply Men’s Health for about six months, and the results have been amazing. They have restored my ability to enjoy a spontaneous sex life again. The RejuvaWAVE® and RejuvaEnhancement™ Stem cell procedures are remarkable. I feel like Superman.” – E.M

Testimonial: “I have chronic renal failure and diabetes and am on dialysis and suffer from chronic symptoms and knee pains. I had IV stem cells treatment and I noticed a difference right away in my wound healing and my knee pain was gone.” – Joshua

Testimonial: “I have been suffering from degenerative arthritis and was getting steroid injections for knee pain which didn’t help much or for long. Several months ago, I had stem cell injections for my knees. The procedure was quite painless and after a month or so I notice remarkable improvements. I can walk pain free.” – John M.
Routine Exams Often Find Head, Neck and Oral Cancers

While not as common as some other types of malignancies, oral cavity and oropharyngeal (head and neck) cancers can often be discovered during routine screening exams by a dentist, medical doctor, dental hygienist, or even by self-exam. Most head and neck cancers begin in squamous cells, which are cells that line moist surfaces, such as those inside the mouth, nose, sinuses and throat. Salivary gland cancer, another category of head and neck cancer, has many different forms because these glands are made up of many different types of cells that can become malignant. As you might suspect, tobacco use, heavy alcohol use, and infection with human papillomavirus (HPV) increase the risk of many types of head and neck cancer.

According to the American Cancer Society, some of the early warning signs and symptoms can include:

- A sore in the mouth that does not heal (most common symptom)
- Pain in the mouth that doesn’t go away (also very common)
- A lump or thickening in the cheek
- A white or red patch on the gums, tongue, tonsil, or lining of the mouth
- A sore throat or a feeling that something is caught in the throat that doesn’t go away
- Trouble chewing or swallowing
- Trouble moving the jaw or tongue
- Numbness of the tongue or other area of the mouth
- Swelling of the jaw that causes dentures to fit poorly or become uncomfortable
- Loosening of the teeth or pain around the teeth or jaw
- Voice changes
- A lump or mass in the neck
- Weight loss
- Constant bad breath

Of course, many of these symptoms can also indicate conditions other than cancer; that is why it is so important to get regular dental and physical checkups. See your dentist or medical doctor right away if any of these symptoms lasts for more than two weeks.

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MANY OF OUR CHILDREN ARE STRESSED, NOT SLEEPING WELL & SUFFER FROM ANXIETY. WELLNESS HOLISTIC APPROACH & VIBROACOUSTIC THERAPY MAY HELP

Our children are OUR CHILDREN! no matter how old they are. We – parents carry this psychological-emotional role and parents-children bond even when our children are grown up, are independent, already left the home nest, and physically, are far away. We are happy with their happiness, achievement and success, and worry when things get out of control and messy in their lives.

Many people tend to look with nostalgia to their childhood years, yet some of us still carry an open wound from struggling with stress, insomnia & anxiety. In many cases parents were not attentive enough to bodymind interrelation of mental, emotional and physical needs and the impact of the external world in children’s inner world. Our life nowadays is very dynamic and, in many cases, hectic. Technology and society change so rapidly therefore research about the influence of these changes on a personal and social levels, may not be quick enough to realize their negative effects.

Many children get their smartphone in first/second grade. These are the years that new habits are infused into subconsciousness easily and unfiltered. Schools justify countless exams and competitive environment as: “preparation for real life”. Social media culture creates an atmosphere of exposure, obsessive request for attention and desire to get more “likes”.

When children get back home, very often parents are not waiting for them because they are at work. They may be hungry, tired and overwhelmed from homework, social interactions and preparation for exams. They may escape challenges by playing video games and become addicted. The environment at school is not always harmonious. It may be stressful, commuting may be exhausting, and social pressure and bullying may create negative atmosphere that may be harmful to children’s wellness, health & wellbeing.

In high school the above conditions may be magnified. In college students may accumulate more pressure because many of them need to work in addition to the academic exams and projects’ demands. The bottom line – stress is here, there and everywhere.

You may say – “that is life” or you may say, “let’s provide self help tools” to reduce mental, emotional and physical stress daily”

WELLNESS-WELLBEING CONDITIONS AT HOME AND AT SCHOOLS (ELEMENTARY, HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE) TO IMPROVE CHILDREN’S HEALTH:

1. Healthy food to nourish the cells
2. Effective spaces to reduce fatigue and insomnia
3. Ways to reduce mental, emotional and physical stress daily
4. Encouraging ways to move the body
5. Atmosphere to support creativity
6. Ecosystem for effective conversation and multidisciplinary dialogue
7. Personal physical space and green eco environment (air circulation, clean water, inspiring design)
8. Emotional support for individuals’ personal evolvement

HOW VIBROACOUSTIC THERAPY CAN BENEFIT CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Vibroacoustic therapy (Norway/ Finland) is a process in which harmonic low sound frequencies in the range between 30hz-120hz are streamed to special mats, bed frames, pillows and stuffed animals. The process is very soothing and easy – you simply lie on vibroacoustic therapy mat or hug a pillow or a special stuffed harmonic pet and feel gentle sonic waves shutting you from within. The outcome – less stress, less insomnia or fatigue, less pain, less anxiety. In addition, there is a sense of clearer mind, better mood and calmer body, all with no efforts.

Olav Skille – The inventor of Vibroacoustic therapy was playing his bass in front of children with disabilities. He noticed relief of tension in their physical body and less physical, emotional and mental stress. That encouraged him to create special mats and pillows with vibroacoustic therapy built in. Avigail Berg-Panitz – the writer and owner of The SoundWell – www.vibro-therapy.com, was personally trained by Skille and she added the stuffed animals to the arsenal of vibroacoustic therapy equipment.

HARMONIC PULSING AND PURRING PETS SERVE AS EMOTIONAL SUPPORT

There is something magic in hugging a teddy bear or a Panda. Children in all ages (and adults) feel a sense of security together with a smile. The harmonic pets’ vibrations are felt as if they hug you back. They serve as emotional support pet. There is a sense they calm bodymind, provide confidence, comfort and initiate a better mood.

SILENTSOUNDSPACE TO RECHARGE VITALITY AND REDUCE STRESS

Schools with holistic wellness approach should dedicate a special room called SilentSoundSpace. Children and teachers will enjoy experiencing silence and harmony and gentle inner body massage in this sanctuary space or tranquility temple. There are variety of designs for a SilentSoudenSpace (depends on physical location and budget) yet they are all based on vibroacoustic therapy mats / recliners and are isolated from noise and distractions. This is a space of tranquility, serenity and bodymind balance. This is a place in which children and teachers let go of stress, anxiety and fatigue and recharge vitality. Vibroacoustic therapy may minimize bullying, violence and aggressive behavior.

Parents may adopt UnWindMe – a vibroacoustic therapy personal and portable mat and create a SilentSoundSpace at home as well.

WHY WE CHERISH A SILENT SPACE

From the minute we wake up, we run in the maze of our daily missions: Parents preparing their children and themselves. Children getting ready to school… Business people getting organized to their multiple projects. During the day we accumulate more duties and unexpected interactions… We respond to emails, conversations, messages. Very often, the only time a person is by her/himself is when they are in the restroom… rest-room…

Having silence and a personal space – helps balance and calibrate inner systems. We all need such a space and that is why high-quality sleep is so essential to our mental, emotional and physical systems. That is also why we need a break during the days. – Many societies and cultures have the SIESTA and some schools enable taking a nap. You close your eyes and dis-appear.

The problem is that because adults and children are so overwhelmed, they are unable to reset and reboot their body-minds. That is why Vibroacoustic therapy is so effective – it enables taking that calming pause during the day – with no efforts. The outcome is similar to the feeling of recharged vitality after taking a good nap.

Let’s work together to incorporate vibroacoustic therapy as an easy to use, very effective and effortless way to help our children – BE LESS STRESSED, SLEEP BETTER & SUFFER LESS FROM ANXIETY.

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As we age, skin can become dull, lose elasticity and droop. There are of course surgical options and hyaluronic acid fillers, but the procedures that are topping everyone’s wish list are the Vampire facelift and the vampire facial.

Naturally found in your blood, platelets are a rich source of proteins called growth factors, which promote healing and regeneration. Platelet-rich plasma (PRP) contains a higher concentration of platelets than the amount normally found in your blood. To create PRP, a sample of your blood is drawn and placed in a centrifuge, which separates out the platelets. These concentrated platelets are recombined with your blood plasma to make PRP. Platelet Rich Plasma (PRP) is then reinjected into the problem areas.

PRP injections are an alternative to Botox and fillers. Platelet Rich Plasma is taken from the patient’s own blood, spun down and reintroduced into the face just like a filler to create and stimulate your body’s own growth factors. PRP produces collagen, hyaluronic acid, elastin, and plumps the skin. PRP injections with the vampire facelift maintain the facial contours of the natural look of the patient.

With just four to six PRP treatments over a two to four-week period, patients are seeing results that last for up to 2 years, so over the long-term, it’s very cost effective and 100% safe. You don’t have to be concerned about toxins or chemicals with your own PRP.

Vampire Facelift
For the “facelift”, the PRP is injected into various areas of the face to create a plumping effect. The procedure is safe because it’s utilizing the patient’s own blood and it’s free of toxins. The body begins to “repair” itself and regenerates collagen, elastin and healing properties, which create a youthful appearance.

Vampire Facial
The facial works in much the same way as the “facelift”, but with tiny perforations in the skin as opposed to injections. The tiny perforations allow the PRP to penetrate into the dermal layers, and the results continuously improve the glow of the skin within two to three months. Many patients report plumped skin, a brighter complexion and seeing less noticeable dark circles.

Bring out your inner beauty naturally. Your beauty will be revived with a natural face shape, increased collagen, smoother skin, increased blood flow, youthful glow, and a younger appearance.

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Cataract Surgery in 2023: What should you expect?

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While there are certainly new developments in cataract surgery every year, these pale in comparison to the innovations that occur over decades. While many of the technologies discussed in this article are currently available in trials, it is important to remember that they are still in trials for a reason. Once safety data has been confirmed and designs have been optimized, cataract surgery in the next decade will be revolutionized.

To begin, the way surgery is performed will have completely changed. Today, cataract surgery is typically performed with a high-frequency microincisional ultrasound device. While it is very safe and provides great results, it is still dependent on the skill of the surgeon. In the next decade, these steps will likely become completely automated by computer and performed by a femtosecond laser. While these lasers are currently available in some areas of the country, the technology still needs some development – for example the surgeon controlled ultrasound device is still required to be used. That said, the rate at which these lasers are improving is impressive to say the least, and they will certainly play a role in cataract surgery in the future.

With intraocular lenses, exciting advances are also coming. The light-adjustable-lens (LAL) is currently under clinical trials from Alconvision. This lens contains components that are photopolymerized upon exposure to ultraviolet light. In essence, applying specific light onto the lens after implantation can not only correct refractive error (nearsightedness, farsightedness, astigmatism) immediately following surgery, but may even hold potential to adjust the patient’s refraction as they age if needed. Another interesting technology is the FluidVision lens from Powervision. Instead of a fixed firm lens that is implanted into the eye, this lens contains fluid and channels that allow the shape of the implanted lens to change just like the eye’s natural lens. This changing shape of the lens, referred to as accommodation, is the reason why most young people do not require glasses at all. Once an artificial lens is able to accommodate to the same extent as the young human eye, we may be able to throw our glasses away forever.

Ultimately, over the years many exciting technologies come and not all turn out to deliver on what they had promised. That said, the products mentioned in this article have already done well in early testing and, though far from perfect, hint at a very exciting future for us all to see.
OK. So here we are… five months into a new year. How are things working out for you? Did you set goals for making this year the best year ever? Did you have dreams and ambitions to make this year different? Did you plan on making things better? Well… how are you doing?

Too often we wait until it’s too late to ask these types of questions. But let me encourage you with this today: Don’t Give Up!

Maybe you’re well on your way to accomplishing your goals. To you I say: Press On! Keep pushing on! Perhaps you’ve had a rough go of it and you’ve been derailed or don’t think you could ever reach the sights you set for this year. To you I say: Press On! Keep pushing on!

Now you may be thinking, “that’s the same advice for both groups.” You’re right. The reason is because I believe this to be a fundamental principle we all need to learn: perseverance.

The apostle Paul penned these words nearly 2,000 years ago: “So let’s not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don’t give up.” (Galatians 6:9, NLT)

Think about that for a moment. Let that settle in. “let’s not get tired of doing what is good,” “we will reap a… blessing,” but here is the kicker: “IF we don’t give up.”

Wow! That’s an awfully big “IF”…

Perseverance reveals a lot about ourselves.

**Perseverance reveals our conviction.** Do I really believe in what I’m pursuing? Do I really feel deep down in my gut that what I’m going after is right and true? If I don’t believe in it, then I’ll give up quickly. But if I do believe, then how can I possibly give up?

Edison is quoted as saying, “I have not failed, I’ve just found 10,000 ways that won’t work.” If I’m really committed to it, then it’s not just a matter of “I won’t give up” but really a matter of “I can’t give up.”

**Perseverance reveals our character.** Who are you when no one else is watching? What do you do when you’re alone in your pursuit of your dreams and goals? If we persevere, we show our character. Winston Churchill once said: “Never, never, in nothing great or small, large or petty, never give in except to convictions of honor and good sense. Never yield to the apparently overwhelming might of the enemy.”

The writer of Hebrews put it this way: “So don’t throw it all away now. You were sure of yourselves then. It’s still a sure thing! But you need to stick it out, staying with God’s plan so you’ll be there for the promised completion.” (Hebrews 10:35-36, The Message)

Stick with it. Press on. Reach your goals. Go for it!

I used to work for a gentleman who would say this: “We do not determine a man’s greatness by his talent or worth, as the world does, but rather by what it takes to discourage him.” (JF)

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