

Healthy Galway

Simple Exercises for You to do at Home

Follow C the 8 daily exercises overleaf, then tick the boxes below when each session is completed. Please complete all 8 exercises twice daily (AM and PM).

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Let's begin!

KNEE STRENGTHENING

- · Sit tall in a chair with your back well supported.
- Straighten your right leg fully and bring your toes up towards you.
- Hold for 5 seconds.
- \cdot Lower the leg slowly.
- \cdot Repeat up to 10 times as you are able.

ARM STRENGTHENING

- Sitting tall.
- \cdot Hold a tin/ water bottle securely in each hand.
- Lift one arm over your head at a time.
- \cdot Replace onto your lap.
- \cdot Repeat up to 10 times as you are able.

SIT TO STAND

- Put your chair against the wall.
- Move your bottom forwards in your chair.
- Bring your feet behind your knees.
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ Lean forwards bringing your head over your knees.
- \cdot Push off with both hands to stand up.
- \cdot Step back until you feel the chair against your legs.
- Bend in the middle, reaching back for the arm rests and slowly sit back down.
- \cdot Repeat up to 10 times as you are able.

(When you get good at this exercise you can try to do it using just one hand or no hands to push yourself up)

CALF RAISES

- Stand tall in front of your kitchen sink or the back of a sturdy chair.
- Hold on with both hands and look ahead.
- Place your feet hip width apart.
- Lift up onto your toes slowly.
- · Lower your heels back onto the ground slowly.
- Repeat up to 10 times as you are able.

TOE RAISES

- Stand tall in front of your kitchen sink or the back of a sturdy chair.
- \cdot Hold on with both hands and look ahead.
- \cdot Keep your feet hip width apart.
- Place your weight onto the back of your foot.
- Lift your toes and front of your feet off the ground.
- \cdot Keep your bottom tucked in.
- Lower your feet back to the ground slowly.
- Repeat up to 10 times as you are able.

HIP STRENGTHENING

- Stand tall in front of your kitchen sink or the back of a sturdy chair.
- Hold on with both hands.
- Keep the exercising leg straight and the foot facing straight forward.
- Lift the leg out to the side slowly.
- Return your leg to the starting position slowly.
- Repeat up to 10 times as you are able.



BALANCE HEEL TOE STANDING

- Hold onto a sturdy chair or your kitchen sink with two hands and look ahead.
- Place right foot directly in front of the left foot.
- Hold this position for 10 seconds.
- Change feet and hold for 10 seconds.

BALANCE ONE LEG STAND

- Hold on to heavy chair or kitchen sink with 2 hands and look straight ahead.
- Stand on your right leg.
- Hold for 10 seconds.
- Repeat on the left leg.

Disclaimer: It is your responsibility to undertake these exercises safely. Cease performing these exercises if you experience pain or you feel unwell. The authors and advisors, who have created this brochure, accept no liability for injury caused as a result of participation in these exercises.

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