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Emerging Pathways in Childhood Obesity Treatment:

Family, Food, Tech and time

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Intensive Health Behavior and Lifestyle Treatment (IHBLT): Pragmatic Adaptations

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Presentation Overview

- 1 Intensive Health Behavior and Lifestyle Treatment (IHBLT)**
- 2 4 Pillars of Obesity Treatment/Prevention: Family, Food, Tech, Time**
- 3 Stay True to the Evidence**

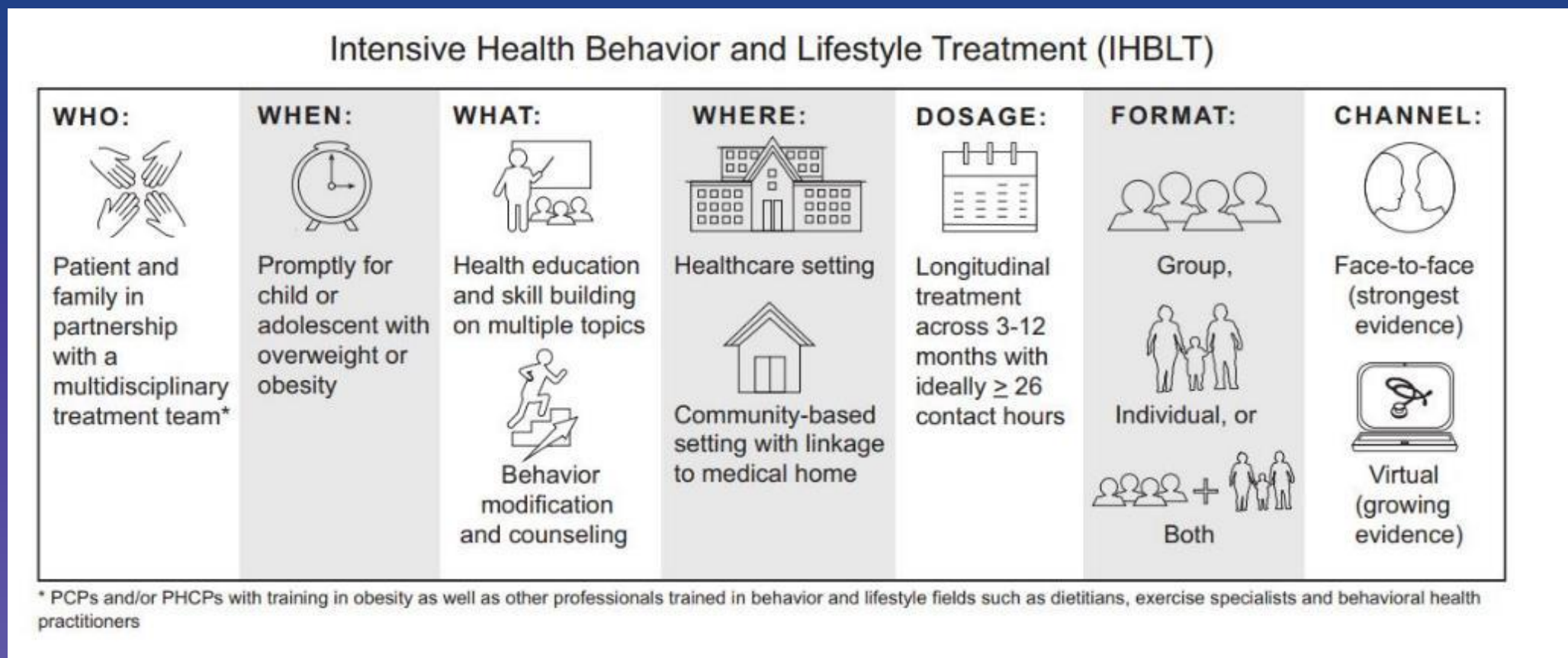
Intensive Health Behavior and Lifestyle Treatments (IHBLT)

- The evidence-based tool that is foundational to comprehensive obesity treatment

CPG Key Action Statement 11: Pediatricians and other PHCPs should provide or refer children 6 y and older (Grade B) and may provide or refer children 2 through 5 y of age (Grade C) with overweight (BMI $\geq$ 85th percentile to $<$ 95th percentile) and obesity (BMI $\geq$ 95th percentile) to intensive health behavior and lifestyle treatment.

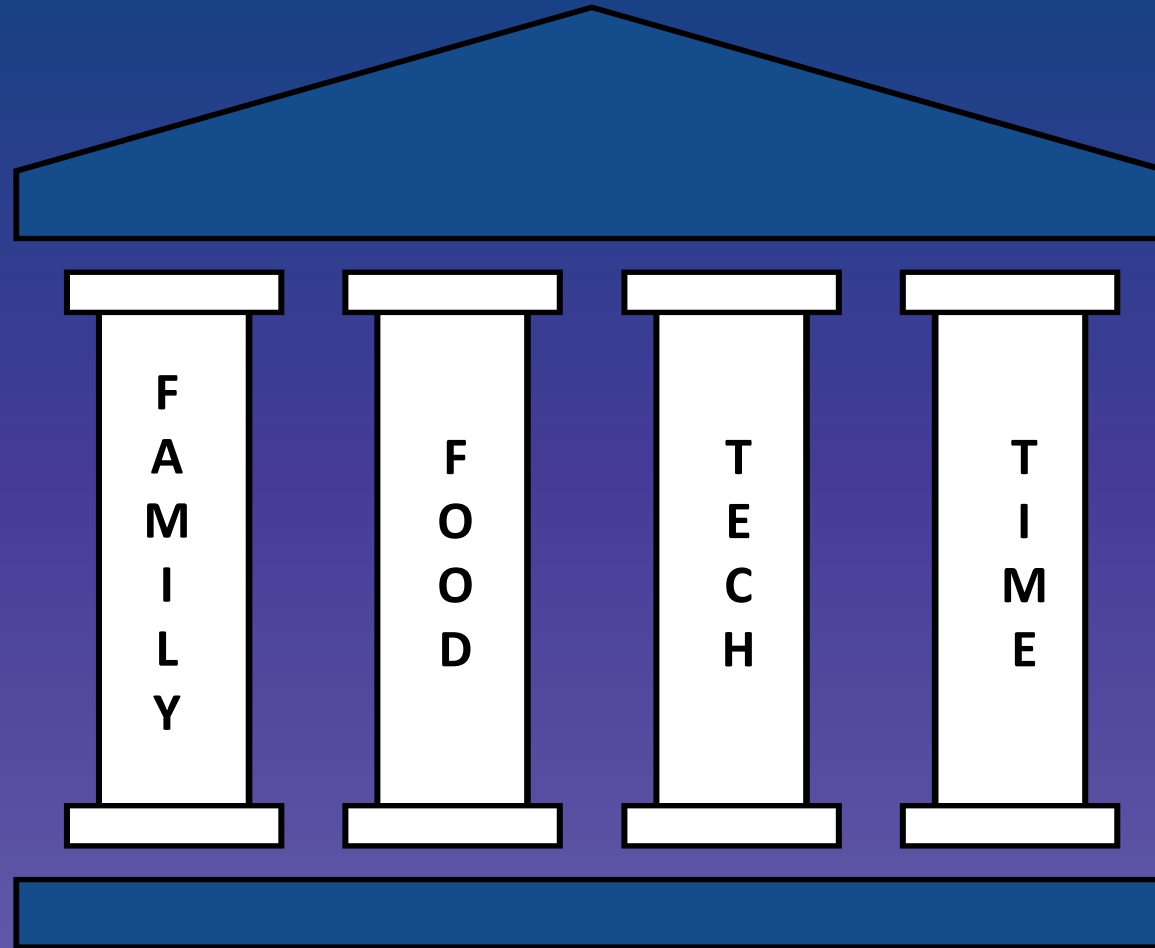
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4 Pillars of Obesity Treatment/Prevention



Pillar 1: Family

- Family-centric
- Flexibility
- Functionality



Affects child's overall health and well-being

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How to Read a Nutrition Facts Label



Nutrition Facts	
4 servings per container	
Serving size 1 cup (227g)	
Amount per serving	
Calories	280
	% Daily Value*
Total Fat 9g	12%
Saturated Fat 4.5g	23%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 35mg	12%
Sodium 850mg	37%
Total Carbohydrate 34g	12%
Dietary Fiber 4g	14%
Total Sugars 6g	
Includes 0g Added Sugars	0%
Protein 15g	
Vitamin D 0mcg	0%
Calcium 320mg	25%
Iron 1.6g	8%
Potassium 510mg	10%

Serving Information

Check the serving size on food packages. The information listed on the Nutrition Facts label is based on one serving. Servings are shown in common measurements like cups, ounces, or pieces. **One package may contain more than one serving!** If you eat multiple servings, you are getting multiple calories and nutrients, too!
2 Servings = 2X Calories

Calories

Different people require different caloric intakes. 400 calories or more per serving is high, 100 calories per serving is moderate.

Percent Daily Value (%DV)

When comparing nutrients in foods, use Percent Daily Value (%DV). %DV is based on the "Daily Value" the amounts of nutrients recommended for Americans aged 4 and older to eat everyday.
5% DV or less/serving is low
20% DV or more/serving is high

Nutrients

Aim for 100% DV of Calcium, Dietary Fiber, Iron, and Vitamins. Get less than 100% DV of Cholesterol, Trans Fat, Saturated Fat, Sodium, and Sugar. Try to eat a variety of foods, including fruits and vegetables, whole grains, fat-free or low-fat dairy products, beans and peas, soy products, lean meats and poultry, eggs, seafood, unsalted nuts and seeds.
Avoid too much ■
Get enough ●

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What is a Serving?



- 1 oz. of Pretzels or Potato Chips
- 1 small Fresh Fruit
- 1 cup of Milk
- 1 cup of Yogurt
- 2 Tablespoons of Peanut Butter
- 1/2 cup of Dried Fruit
- 1 oz. of Nuts or Seeds
- 1 1/2 oz. of Cheese
- 1 cup of Beans or Legumes
- 1 cup of Salad or Leafy Veggies
- 3 oz. of Cooked Meat or Poultry
- 3 oz. of Cooked Fish



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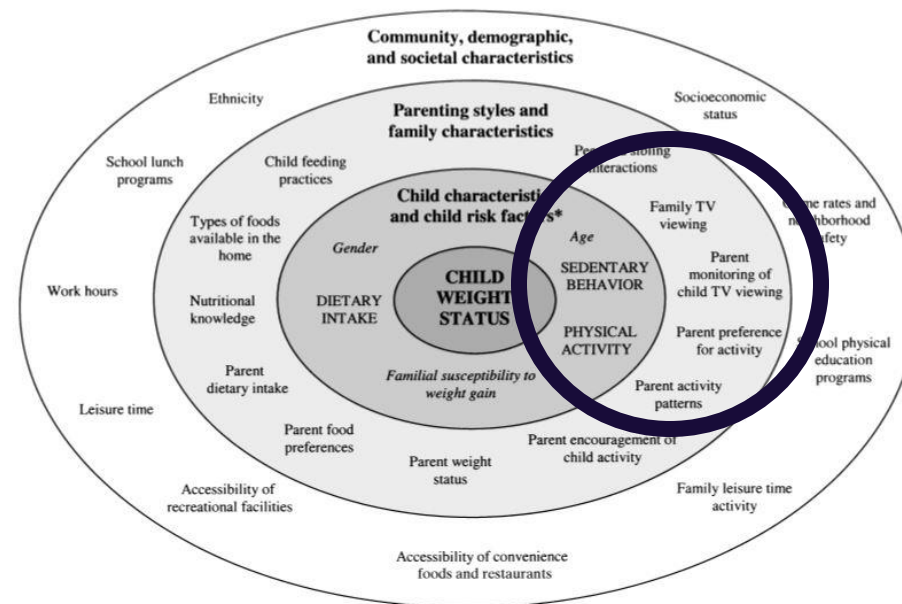
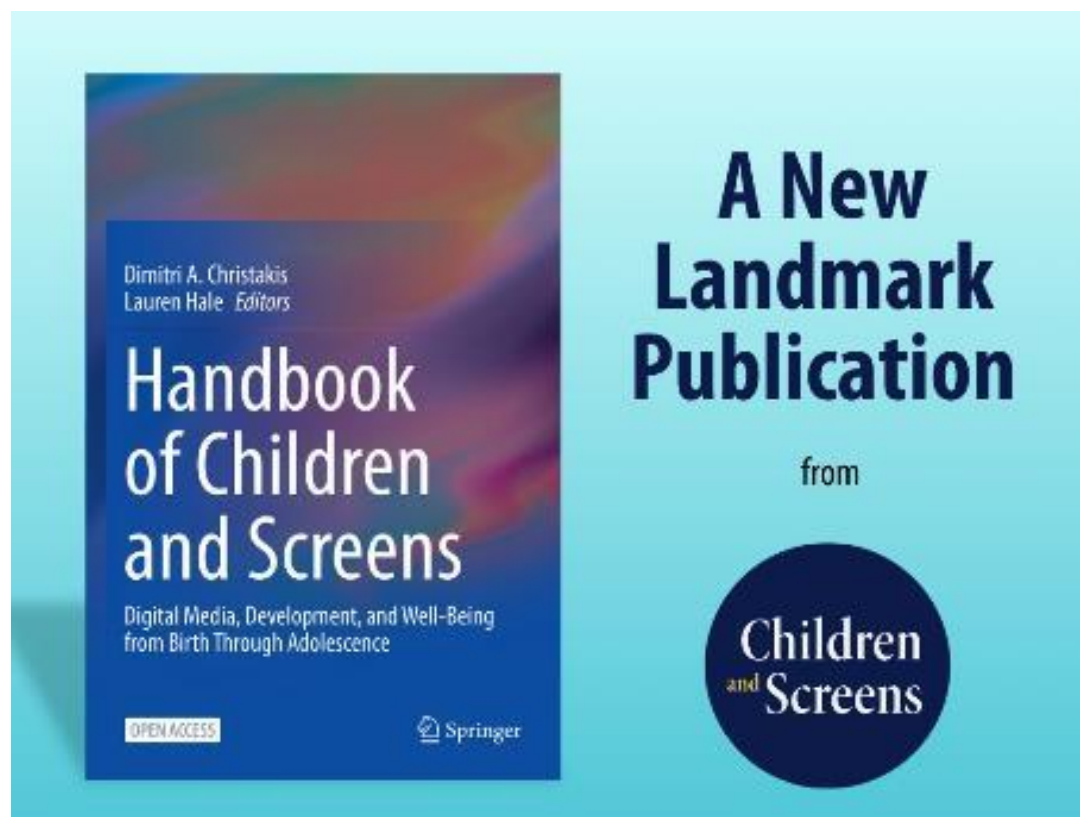
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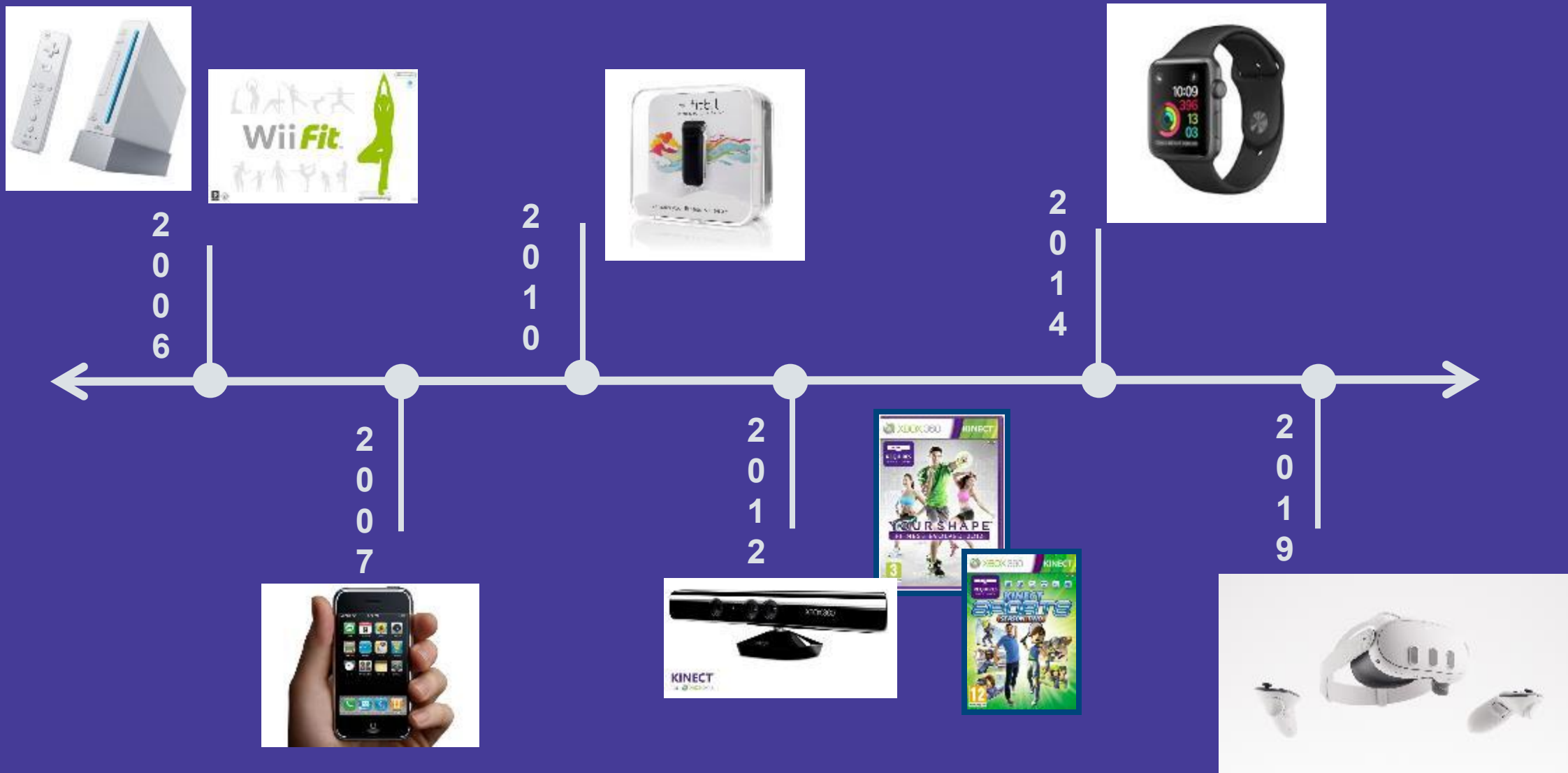
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Pillar 3: Tech- Use Screens to Help



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Pillar 4: Normalize Time Commitment



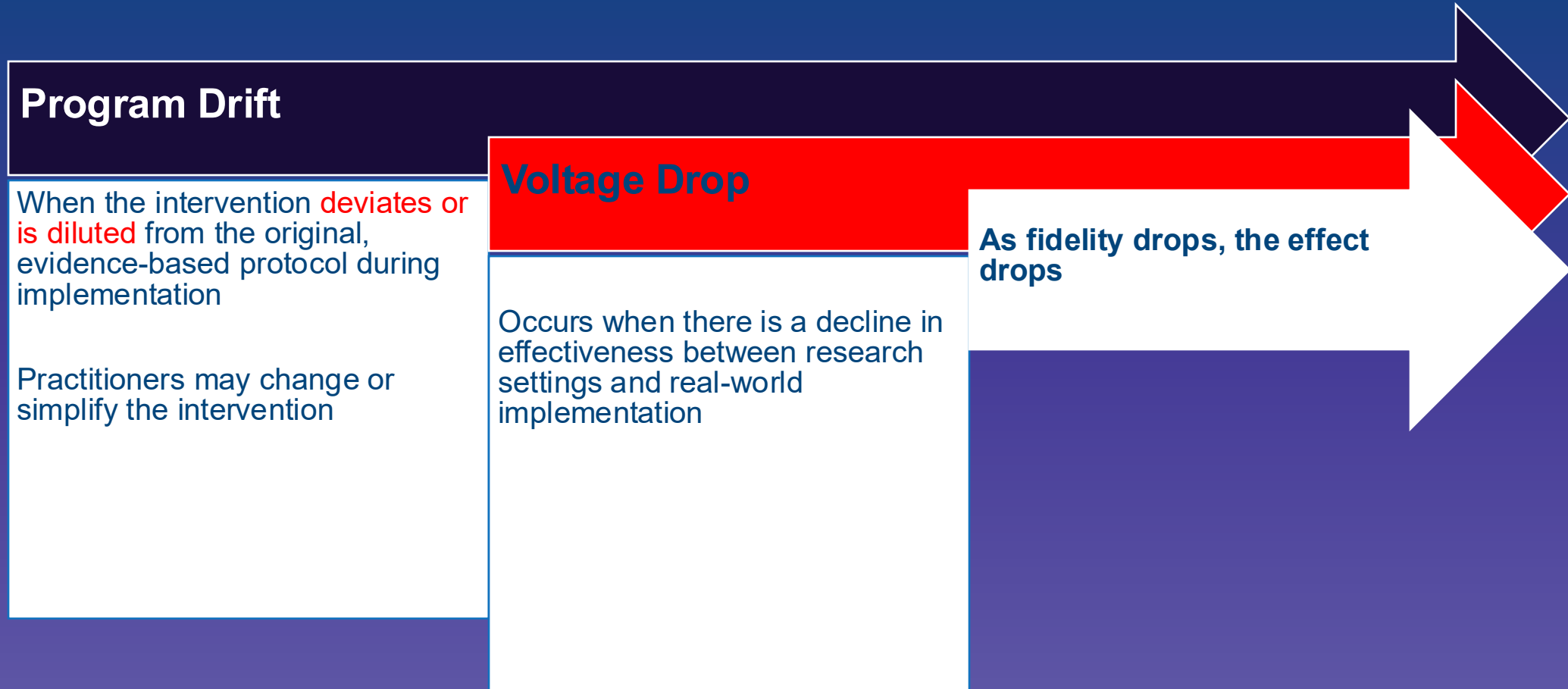
**26-32
hours

over

6-12
months**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		1 4-5 PM Visit	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 4-5 PM Visit	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 4-5 PM Visit	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 4-5 PM Visit	23	24	25	26
27	28	29 4-5 PM Visit	30	31		

Evidence-Based Considerations



Summary

- Intensive Health Behavior Lifestyle Treatment is the evidence-based tool that is foundational to comprehensive obesity treatment.
- Utilize the four pillars (family, food, tech, time) to help drive sustainable impact.
 - Our guidelines are only as good as their translation into families' daily lives!
 - Practice pragmatism!
- Beware of program drift and voltage drop.

Bridging the Gap

Integrating research into the clinical setting

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Intensive Health and Behavior Lifestyle Treatment (IHBLT)

- The foundation of pediatric obesity treatment
- Refer to programs when available
- Fill the gap and provide IHBLT when programs are scarce

PCPs are best suited for IHBLT

- Established trust and rapport
- Where patients and families feel comfortable
- Source of numerous contact hours (sick visit, well visit, flu shot, etc)
- Model: ASK, EDUCATE, GOAL SET
 - meet patients where they are, set small goals for incremental change

Some tips for success

- More likely to achieve goals that are SMART
- Multiple contact hours
- Utilize personal or intrinsic motivators
- Habit stacking
- High levels of physical activity (1 hr per day)
- Eating breakfast regularly
- Following a nutrition plan that fits patient and family
- Consistent eating pattern across weekdays and weekends
- Self-monitoring



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Nutrition

ASK

Skipping meals, food/drink examples, behaviors, portions, frequency of take out, food insecurity

EDUCATE

Skipping meals can lead to overeating

Unbalanced meals missing protein, whole grains and vegetables leave us feeling hungry

Sugary beverages, processed foods are associated with weight gain

GOAL SET

- Standardized easy to follow goals

 - 2-3 meals per day with protein

 - Limit carbohydrates to one fist sized serving

- Tailored SMART goals

 - Will limit sugary beverages to 1 time on Saturday and Sundays.

 - Will bring snack with protein to school



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Vegetables

ASK

Do you like vegetables?

Do you eat vegetables?

Do parents eat vegetables?

EDUCATE

Vegetable intake decreases risk for many chronic diseases.

Do not force or bargain with children to eat veggies

Place small portion on plate, then decision to eat belongs to child

Lots of positive reinforcement if child tastes the veggies!!!!

Remind child –It takes 10X of trying a new food before taste buds learn to accept it.

GOAL SET

Try or taste a vegetable two times per week



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Sleep

ASK

What time do you go to bed? Wake up?
Do you take naps? When and how long?
What electronic devices are on right before bedtime?
Screen for OSA



<https://www.pexels.com/photo/a-young-girl-sleeping-on-the-bed-5801240/>

EDUCATE

Children and adolescents need 9-10 hours of continuous sleep per night.

<9 hours of sleep is associated with weight gain/obesity

GOAL SET

If wake up is 5 am, then bedtime is 8pm.

Eliminate naps, avoid getting into bed or the space where you nap.

If you must nap, limit to 30 minutes or less.

Turn off technology and place in parent's room 30 min prior to bedtime



Physical Activity

ASK

What do you do for physical activity now?

How often, for how long?

Do you breathe hard or have a hard time holding a conversation during activity?

EDUCATE

Long term goal = 1 hour of moderate to vigorous physical activity per day

GOAL SET

What would you like to do for physical activity?

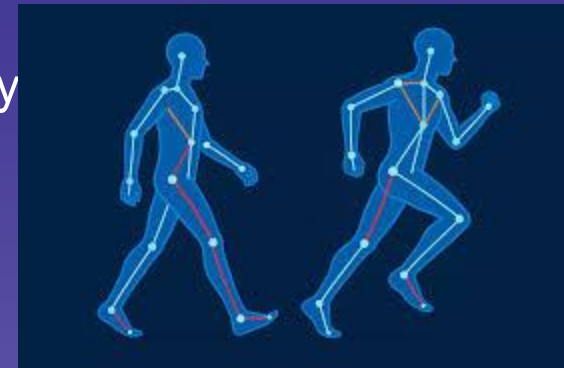
How can they adapt a current activity to make it moderate to vigorous?

How many days per week, for how long?

Check - Is it reasonable, attainable and increasing upon current activity level?



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<https://freedomclinics.com/>

Mood

No one can focus on goals if they are not mentally well!

ASK

Bullying, depression, anxiety, eating disorders (validated screens)
Look for and correct negative talk from patient and family

EDUCATE

Depression, anxiety, eating disorders and stress can contribute to weight gain

CONNECT & TREAT

Counseling, Medication
Resources for advocacy

Families Helping Families = advocacy resource for pts experiencing persistent bullying at school



<https://petergray.substack.com/p/d8-multiple-causes-of-increase-in>

Technology

ASK

How often is your child on a screen or device?



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EDUCATE

Excessive screen time is associated with

- increased food intake

- decreased sleep

- exposure to food advertising

- decreased physical activity

GOAL SET

30 minutes of play outside before getting ipad

Limiting ipad use to weekends only

Use technology for movement – just dance, virtual reality, etc

Encourage supervision of tech use and use in communal spaces.



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Conclusion

REVIEW WEIGHT CHANGE LAST

Lifestyle interventions/habits are most important
Change in weight occurs slowly

SUMMARIZE

Check for understanding - have patient repeat goals back
Ask if patient feels confident that they can achieve their goals

SCHEDULE FOLLOW UP

“I would love to see you back to hear how you’ve been doing with your goals.”
“We can do this between 1 to 3 months from now. What works best for you?”
“Sometimes it is helpful to follow up sooner to have accountability for your goals.”

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