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All About MORE HEALTH

A Letter from Tampa General Hospital



Dear Parents,

In 1992, Tampa General Hospital became **MORE HEALTH's** founding partner. Twenty-four years later, we're proud that our partnership is still going strong.

Tampa General serves as **MORE HEALTH's** major partner in Hillsborough County and has invested more than \$3 million to support the organization and its exemplary programs. And, we are happy to continue to work closely with the **MORE HEALTH** staff to provide fun and interactive health-education programs for students and their families throughout our community.

Today, **MORE HEALTH** offers more than 25 lessons to children, teens, and adults to help them make life-long healthy decisions. Approximately 3.2 million students have benefitted from its programs.

Some of **MORE HEALTH's** programs, like its "Trauma Is No Accident" Lesson, are held at Tampa General. Students get the unique opportunity to tour our Emergency & Trauma Center and our Aeromed medical helicopter. They also learn about trauma injuries and the dangers of driving while distracted or drinking.

We also provide other health education opportunities in conjunction with **MORE HEALTH**, like the "Healthy & Fit For Life" program for children and parents and a SuperSitter babysitting course.

We're proud to have been part of **MORE HEALTH** for all of these years. We applaud the teachers, volunteers, and staff who are dedicated to developing and providing outstanding health education programs to our community's children.

Please talk to your children about their lesson, and learn more about **MORE HEALTH's** mission. You'll soon realize why it has received local, state, and national recognition for its exemplary health programs.

Jim Burkhart, DSc, MSHHA, FACHE
President & CEO
Tampa General Hospital



Bicycle Helmets

Florida State Law mandates all kids under the age of 16 must wear a helmet when riding a bike. Call **MORE HEALTH** about receiving a free helmet at 813-287-5032.

What is MORE HEALTH?

We are a nonprofit organization that provides high-energy, interactive health and safety education lessons in public and private schools in Florida. We have 25 lessons on topics such as bones, dental, nutrition and fitness, skin cancer prevention, firearm safety, heart, pedestrian and bike safety, and trauma.

What is the MORE HEALTH mission?

Our mission is to provide health and safety education to children, teens, and adults.

How many students has MORE HEALTH taught?

MORE HEALTH instructors have educated over 3.2 million individuals on how to identify and adopt healthy habits since 1989!

Why is health education SO important?

- ♥ Healthy children learn BETTER
- ♥ Childhood obesity rates have more than tripled since 1970
- ♥ Children spend an average of 3 hours watching television per day
- ♥ 1 in 5 Americans develop skin cancer during their lifetime
- ♥ Florida ranks sixth in the nation for teen pregnancy rates

Bottom Line: A child's health plays an important role in their success, so it is critical that we do everything in our power to promote health and safety education in our community.

MORE HEALTH lessons teach important LIFE SKILLS such as:

- ♥ Goal setting
- ♥ Making healthy choices and good decisions
- ♥ Reducing or avoiding health risks
- ♥ Influencing others to make healthy choices

How much does it cost for your child to receive MORE HEALTH education?

IT'S FREE! Thanks to our generous community partners, we are able to bring health education to life without any costs to you.

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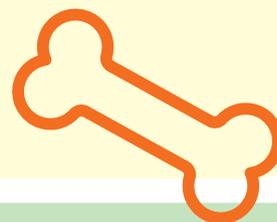
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Bone Health

Did you know that the bones in your body are growing, living tissue (like hair, skin and blood cells) composed of the mineral calcium? These hard-working, rigid organs protect other organs, give the body shape, allow for mobility, and store calcium and other minerals for use in the body. Bones also act as a blood factory, making more than 2 million new red blood cells every second! Unfortunately, our bones are susceptible to disease. According to the National Osteoporosis Foundation, osteoporosis is a bone disease that happens when you lose too much bone, make too little bone or both. Osteoporosis literally means "porous bone." And as a result, bones become weak and break easily.

The bones of children and teenagers continue to grow and become denser until peak bone mass is attained. After peak bone mass is reached, usually between the ages of 18 and 25, bone density may decrease. The more bone you have at peak bone mass, the less likely you will break a bone or develop osteoporosis. When considering a healthy lifestyle, sustaining bone health and preventing osteoporosis should be at the top of the list!

- ♥ **Exercise to keep bones healthy and strong.** The American Heart Association recommends that kids get at least 60 minutes of moderate-to-vigorous intensity aerobic activity every day. Also, weight bearing exercises that work against gravity promote bone health.
- ♥ **Eat healthy foods that contain calcium and vitamin D** such as milk, yogurt, cheese, leafy green vegetables and frozen yogurt.
- ♥ **Avoid smoking.**
- ♥ **Limit alcohol and caffeine consumption.**
- ♥ **Protect the skull from injury by wearing a helmet** while riding a bicycle, scooter, or skateboard.
- ♥ **Wear protective gear while playing contact sports** such as football, lacrosse, or hockey.



Pedestrian & Bike Safety

Bicycle and pedestrian accidents are the number one cause of fatalities in children. According to the CDC, in 2012, a pedestrian was killed every 2 hours and injured every 7 minutes! Here in the Tampa Bay area, we are consistently in the top 5 nationally for injuries and deaths due to bicycle and pedestrian accidents. It only takes one time not following the rules of the road to have deadly consequences.

- ♥ **Always look left, right, left and back when crossing the street at an intersection.**
- ♥ **It is always safer to walk on a sidewalk.** If one is not available, walk on the shoulder against the flow of traffic. Whenever possible, cross the street at a designated crosswalk or intersection.
- ♥ **The Florida Department of Transportation recommends** that children under 10 years of age cross the street with an adult or an older sibling.
- ♥ **Never cross the street or play between parked cars.**
- ♥ **When crossing in front of a school bus,** students should cross at least 10 steps in front of the bus so that the driver can see them!
- ♥ **Always wear a helmet when riding a bike, scooter, roller blades, skate board and hover board..** It's the law! Be sure to consider other important situations in which a helmet is appropriate.
- ♥ **Ride a bike with the flow traffic.**
- ♥ **Do not walk or ride a bike when using an electronic device (such as a cell phone) or while wearing a headset.**
- ♥ **While walking or riding a bike at night,** always utilize appropriate lighting, reflectors and wear light-colored attire.



Tips for Healthy Family Lifestyles

- ♥ **Aim to eat a variety of at least 5 servings of fruits and vegetables** every day.
- ♥ **Unplug from electronics** and choose instead to get moving outside, play a board game or cook a healthy meal as a family. Spend no more than 2 hours per day in front of the TV, computer or tablet.
- ♥ **Create new family traditions involving physical activity.** Take a walk together after dinner or plan a family bike ride. Whatever you do, aim for 60 minutes of activity each day.
- ♥ **Skip the sugary beverages.** Instead choose sugar, sodium and calorie free sparkling water. Think about adding sliced fruit to regular water for a festive flavor.

For additional healthy tips including great tasting recipes visit www.eatright.org



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To become a partner of **MORE HEALTH**, please contact Karen Buckenheimer or Carlene Lemaster at 813-287-5032

MORE HEALTH Lessons

KINDERGARTEN – GRADE 2

Bones 1 “Bo Wo Wones”
Bones 2 “The Bone Zone”
Dental K “Wiggle, Wiggle, Brush, Brush”
Dental 1 “Super Smile”
Dental 2 “Tooth Town Showdown”
Five Senses “Five Alive”
Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety 1 “Safe Walkers & Safe Wheels”
Personal Hygiene “Scrubba Bubba”
Poison Prevention 1 “Bites, Stings, & Other Things”

GRADES 3 – 5

Brain “Mission Control”
Firearm Safety 1 “Respect Not Risk”
Heart “Walk-Through Heart”
Lung “Take a Breath”
Nutrition “Fueled For Success”
Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety 2 “Rules of the Road”
Poison Prevention 2 “Poison Patrol”
Safety & First Aid “S.A.F.E. Team”
Skin Cancer Prevention “Sun Smarts”

GRADES 6 – 8

Firearm Safety 2 “Responsibility, Respect, & Reason”
Fitness, Nutrition & Bone Health “Fit For Life!”
Teen Pregnancy Prevention “Choice Not Chance”

GRADES 9 – 12

Your Sexual Health “Don't Risk It”
Nutrition & Fitness “Eat Healthy, Be Active”
Organ Education, Abuse & Donation “Live Life, Give Life”
Trauma Education “Trauma Is No Accident”



A Healthy Mouth Promotes a Healthy Body

Did you know that teeth should last a lifetime? Yet tooth decay is the most common chronic disease of children aged 6-11 years and adolescents aged 12-19. Learn about developing good oral health habits at www.areyoumouthwise.com

SuperSitters 2016

February 6, March 5, April 2, May 14, June 4, June 25, July 16, August 6, September 10, October 1, November 5

The best babysitting class in town is educational and fun, focusing on safety and first-aid. Participants (ages 11-15) receive CPR instruction for infants and children. Classes are held 9:00AM – 1:00PM at TGH Community Health Education Center at TGMG Family Care Center Lois, 2106 South Lois Avenue, Tampa, FL 33629. The cost is \$35. Contact **MORE HEALTH** today at 813-287-5032 to enroll.