Move Alabama
Get Active Alabama
Get Moving Alabama
Alabama on the Move
ATIVIDADE FÍSICA FAZ BEM PARA QUALQUER IDADE:
acumule pelo menos 30 minutos todos os dias
Physical activity does well at any age

Accumulating at least 30 minutes every day
About the WV PA Plan

We all want a healthier West Virginia! We want to provide opportunities throughout our state to improve the health of our citizens. We want to promote healthy living where everyone lives, works and plays. We want to reduce healthcare costs, promote economic development and enhance West Virginians' quality of life.

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The information on this map is provided by the Let’s Move Active Schools national initiative. We receive our updates every 2 weeks. Please allow up to 2 weeks after you submit your information to the national site for it to appear on our map. Thanks!
ActiveWV 2015: The WV Physical Activity Plan is partnering with state and local organizations, agencies, businesses, and non-profits to work together to promote physical activity throughout the state of West Virginia. ActiveWV Partners strive to promote physical activity and healthy living as part of their mission/goals, and support ActiveWV and the comprehensive state Physical Activity Plan in their organizations, sectors, communities, and beyond.

ActiveWV Partners will:

- Foster Plan implementation and dissemination through their organization
- Promote the Plan within organization, sector, state/community through such means as Hosting an ActiveWV event
- Displaying the ActiveWV logo on materials, website, etc
- Supporting programs promoting physical activity
- Providing resources for Plan implementation and dissemination
- Designate a representative from their organization to work with the central ActiveWV Team (i.e. Sector Teams)

ActiveWV Partners will be highlighted on the ActiveWV website (and linked to organization’s website), in presentations and other forms of public promotion of the Plan, and at statewide events hosted by ActiveWV. Partners may post their upcoming events on the ActiveWV website, and be represented on a WV Physical Activity Plan Sector Team.

Become an ActiveWV Partners TODAY! Please complete the form below, and submit. You will receive a copy of the ActiveWV logo and branding guidelines, messages and templates to use in social media, newsletters, press releases, etc, and other communication tools that may be helpful to you within your own organizations to help spread the word.

If you would like to become a partner with ActiveWV, please click the link below to submit an interest form. Thank you!
Become an ActiveWV Partner

Use this form to submit your request to become an ActiveWV Implementation Partner.

Organization Name *

President / CEO / Chair *
First Last

Address *
Street Address
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In The News

WELLWVU holds 'Try-It' event on Friday
09/07/14 6:00 pm
WELLWVU is encouraging students to get outdoors on Friday (Sept. 5) and try something new at West Virginia University’s “Try-It” event. The event, held from 3-7 p.m. at Hazel Ruby-McQuain Riverfront Park, will feature a variety of activities for students to experience.

Everyday Ideas to Move More
09/07/14 6:00 pm
Help your family move more each day and have fun with it. Think about what your family can do to be active together. Here are some ideas.

Sitting Is Killing You
09/07/14 6:00 pm
You’ve already heard that sitting is the new smoking. Now, scientists reveal exactly how it hurts the body—and novel ways to undo the damage (without clocking hours at the gym). You might want to stand up for this.

Walking a mile each day 'cuts cancer death risk by half': Physical activity described as 'wonder drug' for breast and prostate patients
09/07/14 6:00 pm
Cancer patients can cut their risk of dying by up to half—simply by walking just one mile a day, according to experts.

Fitting in fitness: Finding time for physical activity
09/07/14 6:00 pm
You know fitness is important for your health and well-being. And you want to get more active, but your days are a blur of work, household chores, errands, and time with family and friends. Setting aside enough time to sleep — let alone exercise — can be tough.

Go Outside and Play in Wild Wonderful WV
08/12/14 6:00 pm
The WV Division of Tourism recently kicked off its new campaign: “Go Outside and Play: Wild Wonderful Wednesdays.” The campaign challenges West Virginians to “Go Outside and Play” and targets specific activities from outdoor recreation to culture to history.
Thank you to our supporting partners. Would you like to be a supporting partner? Click the sign up link to the right to submit your info.

- West Virginia Department of Education
  [wvde.state.wv.us](http://wvde.state.wv.us)
- West Virginia State Parks & Forests
  [www.wvstateparks.com](http://www.wvstateparks.com)
- West Virginia State Medical Association
  [www.wvsma.com](http://www.wvsma.com)
- Live Well West Virginia
  [www.livewellwv.ext.wvu.edu](http://www.livewellwv.ext.wvu.edu)
- West Virginia on the Move
  [www.wvonthemove.net](http://www.wvonthemove.net)
- YMCA of Kanawha Valley
  [www.ymcawv.org](http://www.ymcawv.org)
- American Cancer Society
  [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org)
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<td><strong>Step by Step Challenge:</strong> A community-wide program sponsored by the MOV Health Department challenged residents to walk and track their steps. 1300 people participated in the program with approximately 54% completing the challenge. The step by step challenge resulted in internal employee policy change at various employers including West Virginia University at Parkersburg. Several schools and organizations have expressed an interest in continuing this program into the future.</td>
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<td><strong>Trail Inventory:</strong> The MOVHD hired a contractor to document all trails in the six-county region (existing or under development). A trail report was compiled for each county with following information provided for each trail: 1) type (ex: park, place, rail trail, etc), 2) location (city/county), 3) description (paved/limestone, pedestrian/biking, approximate length, loop/straight line, elevations, benches, shading, open to the public or not, additional amenities (fitness stations), 4) permitted activities on the trail, 5) hours open, and 6) signage information. This information is being used to identify trail signage needs, to plan for new trails, and to determine how to connecting existing trails.</td>
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<td><strong>Signage for Trails:</strong> To increase awareness and promote the use of trails, signs will be installed for a select number of trails in each MOV county. Signs include trail names, distance information, and trail maps.</td>
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<td><strong>Improving the Physical Activity Environment Through Mini-grants:</strong> County coordinators worked with local coalitions and the MOV Health Department to identify needs in their communities. Throughout the CPPW period, counties have been awarded funds to improve the physical activity environment by: 1) improving trails, 2) installing fitness equipment on trails, and 3) installing new and improved playground equipment for youth.</td>
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<td><strong>Paid Media Advertisements—“No Place to Play”:</strong> As part of the CPPW initiative, a series of advertisements were run to encourage community residents to consider the “real threats” to children’s health. One ad was designed to indicate not having adequate spaces for safe play was a “real threat.”</td>
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The Plan

The National Physical Activity Plan has a vision: One day, all Americans will be physically active and they will live, work, and play in environments that facilitate regular physical activity.

The Plan is a comprehensive set of policies, programs, and initiatives that aim to increase physical activity in all segments of the American population. The Plan is the product of a private-public sector collaborative. Hundreds of organizations are working together to change our communities in ways that will enable every American to be sufficiently physically active. The plan is ultimately guided by the Board of Directors for the National Physical Activity Plan Alliance, a 501c3 nonprofit organization.

The Plan aims to create a national culture that supports physically active lifestyles. Its ultimate purpose is to improve health, prevent disease and disability, and enhance quality of life.

The National Physical Activity Plan is comprised of recommendations that are organized in eight societal sectors:

- Business and Industry
- Education
- Health Care
- Mass Media
- Parks, Recreation, Fitness and Sports
- Public Health
- Transportation, Land Use, and Community Design
- Volunteer and Non-Profit

Each sector presents strategies aimed at promoting physical activity. Each strategy also outlines specific tools that communities, organizations and agencies, and individuals can use to address the strategy. Recognizing that some strategies encompass multiple sectors, the Plan also has several overarching strategies.
Brochures

ACSM offers a variety of health and fitness brochures to individuals with an interest in sports medicine and exercise science. All ACSM brochures are available online; therefore, we can no longer accept bulk orders of print brochures. Click the brochure title below to download a print-quality PDF.

- **Resistance training**
  Resistance training is a form of physical activity that is designed to improve muscular fitness by exercising a muscle or a muscle group against external resistance. There are many positive health outcomes of resistance training. PDF, 193.58 KB

- **Youth triathlons**
  Triathlons, consisting of swimming, biking, and running has seen an increase in participation with youth athletes. Prior to competing, youth athletes should acquire the skills and fitness necessary to swim, bike, and run in a safe manner. As the youth athlete matures they can increase their fitness levels and continue to successfully participate. PDF, 147.93 KB

- **High-Intensity Interval Training**
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Getting Started with Cycling

Cycling is an excellent form of aerobic exercise and transportation that offers a variety of health and fitness benefits. Care taken in selection and fit of the bicycle, safety, equipment and clothing can help make starting a cycling program successful, and lead to lifelong enjoyment of cycling.

PDF, 187.38 KB

Running shoes

Running shoes should be selected after careful consideration. With so many brands and styles of shoes on the market today, it is important to find the best fit for your foot and your needs. There is no "right shoe" that fits all runners. However, research and injury patterns have shown that there are some general characteristics of a good, safe running shoe.

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Starting a Walking Program

Walking is one of the simplest and least expensive options to increase your physical activity level and improve your overall health. It is a weight-bearing exercise that helps maintain bone density and is easy on joints. Walking at a brisk pace is considered moderate-intensity physical activity, and doing this most days of the week for 30 minutes or more enables you to meet the criteria for physical activity for health benefits recommended by ACSM and the American Heart Association.

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Reducing Sedentary Behaviors: Sitting Less and Moving More

There is strong scientific evidence that says frequent moderate- to vigorous-intensity exercise during the week plays a significant preventative role in cardiovascular disease, type 2 diabetes, obesity and some cancers. The human body, with approximately 640 muscles and 206 bones, is made to move. Yet, hi-tech advances in civilized societies within the last 50 years have created an environment that promotes sedentary behaviors.

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Smart Phone Running Apps
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Exercising Your Way to Lower Blood Pressure

Hypertension, defined as a chronically elevated blood pressure greater than 140/90 mmHg, affects nearly 75 million Americans. If left untreated, hypertension can dramatically increase your risk for heart attacks, strokes and peripheral arterial disease. Exercise not only improves the workings of the cardiovascular system, but can lower blood pressure as well. The key to maximizing the benefits of exercise is to follow a well-designed program that you can stick to over the long-term.

A COMPLETE PHYSICAL ACTIVITY PROGRAM
A well-rounded physical activity program includes aerobic exercise, muscle strengthening exercises, and flexibility training.

HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE FACTS
- Elevation in blood pressure increases the risk of heart disease, stroke, and kidney disease.
- Regular exercise can help lower blood pressure and reduce the risk of these conditions.
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Selecting and Effectively Using A Health/Fitness Facility

The health/fitness facility should provide a variety of equipment and programs to meet your personal fitness goals and interests. First, establish your exercise/fitness goals before talking to personnel to see if they provide the programs and equipment you seek.

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SELECTING A FACILITY
According to the International Health, Racquet and Sportsclub Association (IHRSA), there are more than 17,000 health clubs in the United States. When selecting a facility, consider:

- Proximity
- Amenities and services
- Equipment
- Programs and classes
- Personalized coaching
- Cost

Observe the classes and programs offered to determine if the facility meets your needs. Also, consider the following:

- Atmosphere
- Staff availability
- Hours of operation
- Cleanliness

Make sure to visit the facility and talk with personnel before making a commitment to a specific gym.
Where Do We Go From Here?