

Chapter 1 : Playing Through Arthritis : David S. Silver :

"Playing Through Arthritis is a great book because it keeps you moving to help you feel your very best." --Denise Austin, host of "Fit and Lite" on Lifetime and bestselling fitness author "Dr. Silver clears up misconceptions about arthritis and chronic pain and guides the reader toward mastery, activity, and superior quality of life.

More Resources How much activity do I need? Stay as active as your health allows, and change your activity level depending on your arthritis symptoms. Some physical activity is better than none. For substantial health benefits, adults with arthritis should follow the Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans recommendations for Active Adult or Active Older Adult, whichever meets your personal health goals and matches your age and abilities. Learn more at the Physical Activity GuidelinesExternal website. How do I exercise safely with arthritis? Learn how you can safely exercise and enjoy the benefits of increased physical activity with the S. Start low, go slow. Modify activity when arthritis symptoms increase, try to stay active. Talk to a health professional or certified exercise specialist. Start low, and go slow When starting or increasing physical activity, start slow and pay attention to how your body tolerates it. People with arthritis may take more time for their body to adjust to a new level of activity. If you are not active, start with a small amount of activity, for example, 3 to 5 minutes 2 times a day. Add activity a little at a time such as 10 minutes at a time and allow enough time for your body to adjust to the new level before adding more activity. Your arthritis symptoms, such as pain, stiffness, and fatigue, may come and go and you may have good days and bad days. Try to modify your activity to stay as active as possible without making your symptoms worse. Recognize safe places and ways to be active. Safety is important for starting and maintaining an activity plan. If you plan and direct your own activity, find safe places to be active. For example, walk in an area where the sidewalks or pathways are level and free of obstructions, are well-lighted, and are separated from heavy traffic. Your doctor is a good source of information about physical activity. Health care professionals and certified exercise professionals can answer your questions about how much and what types of activity match your abilities and health goals. What types of activities should I do? How hard are you working? Measure the relative intensity of your activity with the talk test. Learn more about measuring physical activity intensity. Low-impact aerobic activities do not put stress on the joints and include brisk walking, cycling, swimming, water aerobics, light gardening, group exercise classes, and dancing. For major health benefits, do at least: Another option is to do a combination of both. A rule of thumb is that 1 minute of vigorous-intensity activity is about the same as 2 minutes of moderate-intensity activity. In addition to aerobic activity, you should also do muscle-strengthening activities that involve all major muscle groups two or more days a week. Muscle-strengthening exercises include lifting weights, working with resistance bands, and yoga. These can be done at home, in an exercise class, or at a fitness center. Flexibility exercises like stretching and yoga are also important for people with arthritis. Many people with arthritis have joint stiffness that makes daily tasks difficult. Doing daily flexibility exercises helps maintain range of motion so you can keep doing everyday things like household tasks, hobbies, and visiting with friends and family. Balance exercises like walking backwards, standing on one foot, and tai chi are important for those who are at a risk of falling or have trouble walking. Do balance exercises 3 days per week if you are at risk of falling. Balance exercises are included in many group exercise classes. What do I do if I have pain during or after exercise? It may take 6 to 8 weeks for your joints to get used to your new activity level, but sticking with your activity program will result in long-term pain relief. Here are some tips to help you manage pain during and after physical activity so you can keep exercising: Until your pain improves, modify your physical activity program by exercising less frequently fewer days per week or for shorter periods of time less time each session. Try a different type of exercise that puts less pressure on the joints—for example, switch from walking to water aerobics. Do proper warm-up and cool-down before and after exercise. Exercise at a comfortable pace—you should be able to carry on a conversation while exercising. Make sure you have good fitting, comfortable shoes. See your doctor if you experience any of the following Pain that is sharp, stabbing, and constant. Pain that causes you to limp. Pain that lasts more than 2 hours after exercise or gets worse at night. Pain or swelling that does not get better

with rest, medication, or hot or cold packs.

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How do wrist injuries happen in golf? Younger golfers tend to have acute or sudden injuries where they tear, sprain, or strain things. These injuries happen most often when hitting a fat shot or when trying to hit a shot out of an awkward lie. Older golfers usually aggravate existing conditions by playing, like arthritis or tendonitis. Golfers of most any age can get repetitive motion injuries like tendonitis or even make other common wrist problems like carpal tunnel worse by playing the game. Here are some things that put you at increased risk for a wrist injury: Tendon injury By far, the most common wrist injury is tendonitis. There are two main groups of tendons in your wrist. One group on the back side of the wrist extends or straightens the wrist and fingers. The other set, on the palm side, flexes or bends the wrist and fingers. Injury and pain on the back side extensor side are more common. These tendons run through tight tunnels called tendon sheaths, and can get trapped and irritated with repetitive strain over time. Sometimes tendonitis takes a few months or weeks to develop, but can happen quickly if you really overdo it on a weekend or playing in a high-performance environment without proper preparation. Area of hamate hook in the palm of the hand Tears, fractures, and sprains Other less common wrist injuries include fractures of the small carpal bones and ligament tears. Ligaments on the pinky side of the wrist can be torn or sprained while playing golf. This set of ligaments is called the triangular fibrocartilage complex TFCC ; a long technical term for the strong ligaments that link your radius bone to your ulna bone down by your wrist. Pain from a TFCC tear or sprain is only on the pinky side of the wrist and forearm and can shoot into the pinky side of the hand or up along the forearm towards the elbow. How do you know when the problem is bad enough to see a doctor? If your pain is lasting longer than one or two weeks, find a wrist specialist who can diagnose the problem accurately and help you find a solution. Sometimes telling the difference between a broken wrist and a sprained wrist can be difficult. Fractures cause a lot of swelling, bruising, and limited motion in the fingers, and happen after a duffed shot or single, sudden, painful event on the course. In most cases this is enough time to allow the irritated and painful area to calm down. Work on putting or pitching; avoid full swing during the healing phase of your injury. A combination of rest, ice, compression and elevation and maybe an anti-inflammatory medicine is usually enough to calm down most golf-related wrist pain. A splint can also let the wrist rest after an injury or aggravation of pain. If your pain flares up when you return to play, find a hand and wrist specialist as soon as possible. Wrist specialists are usually orthopedic surgeons who work on hands, wrists, and elbows. Doctors can help by prescribing specialized wrist therapy programs, splints, x-rays or MRIs , and occasionally a cortisone shot. Surgery is rarely necessary for golf injuries. If you have a condition aggravated by golf, like arthritis, conservative treatments are available to manage those more chronic conditions and let you return to playing.

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Playing Through Arthritis has 3 ratings and 2 reviews. Katra said: This was a good overview of all things arthritically related. I guess that I was hopin.

Most injuries occur in the lower back, elbows or shoulders. In addition, if you have arthritis the most common type being osteoarthritis your hands, hips, knees, neck or lower back can be affected too. To get ready for the season and keep playing, follow these tips to help prepare your body for play, help prevent injuries, and keep yourself as comfortable as possible. Before play Start a conditioning program. If possible, meet with your golf professional or golf-specific physical therapist before the season to create a conditioning program that is easy to work into your daily routine. Maintain your target weight. Overweight players put significant impact loads on various joints causing pain and worsening arthritis. Do some warm-up exercises before teeing off. Warm up exercises can be as simple as a brisk 5- to minute walk or light jog prior to going to the practice range, or be specific to you-- one that our golf performance program experts can develop. Please check with your physician if you have medical conditions that restrict fluid intake. Try to eat a small meal one to two hours before play or practice. A large meal in your stomach moves blood away from your brain and muscles affecting play and performance. Low-fat, lean protein, and complex carbohydrate foods are preferred. Use golf aids to minimize pain and impact on joints. Aids, including oversized grips if you have hand arthritis or spike-less golf shoes, will help reduce the increased rotational stress on hips, knees and ankles in the typical golf swing. There are an assortment of unloading braces for arthritic knees to minimize pain during the golf swing. During play Walk part of the course. Try to limit your time riding in a golf cart. If you are able, switch walking or riding with your partner every hole. That will help protect your back muscles from spasms during the constant bounce of a cart in a round. Hydrate with water or sports drinks that do NOT contain high fructose corn syrup. Avoid alcoholic beverages, especially during hot, humid days, as those and drinks containing high fructose corn syrup can cause your gout to flare up. Use sunscreen an SPF 30 will do and wear a hat. The incidence of skin cancer in golfers is on the rise! We encourage snacks that are high in carbohydrates but low in fat, such as bananas, dried fruits raisins, cherries, cranberries , energy bars with whole grains wheat or oats , and nuts such as almonds or peanuts. After play Do some static stretching exercises. Static stretching exercises performed after your golf round may be beneficial but not before a round. Ice down painful or recently injured areas for 15 to 20 minutes. Do not apply heat to an affected area, as heat increases circulation and inflammation swelling. Eat and rehydrate within two hours of a round of golf. This replaces the stores of glycogen our bodies primarily source of energy in the muscles and liver to speed a full recovery and for optimal performance the next day. Have a great time; it is going to be an awesome golf season. Cleveland Clinic is a non-profit academic medical center. Advertising on our site helps support our mission. We do not endorse non-Cleveland Clinic products or services. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Physical Activity for Arthritis This information is provided by the Cleveland Clinic and is not intended to replace the medical advice of your doctor or healthcare provider. Please consult your healthcare provider for advice about a specific medical condition. This document was last reviewed on:

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In Playing Through Arthritis, he shares his plan for maintaining an athletic lifestyle by combining exercise, nutrition, the latest medications, and the best alternative therapies. Key features include.

Mike Belitz Phil " I have a good friend who suffered from the same affliction. Today this is completely cured. She would love to share this info with you if you want it. Contact me at the email address if you wish it. Best regards, and play well Mike Belitz August 12, at I keep it under control with all of the above, but with half the halibut liver oil. Find a good naturopath! August 12, at I suffer from the disease myself and learned the hard way not to trust any snake oil salesmen some women too. August 13, at There is no cure. I take care of myself and stay active, receive weekly injections of methotrexate and Humira. I still get flareups especially with stress and a decrease in barometric pressure. Good luck to all with PSA, its a tough disease. August 20, at No "sure things" though lots of advances to make improvements. August 16, at She was on every medication, skin cream, steroid, enbrel, humira, remicade and methotrexate. She has been struggling with this disease for some 20 odd years now. She is currently end-stage cirrhosis due to the long term affects of the methotrexate and pain meds.. I wish the best to Phil and his family. August 18, at Some days are ok, as I am always feeling some pain, but then there are the really bad days. When I have those days, life is difficult, on those days doing things I need to do is impossible. I was on Humira for a year with a little success, so my Dr switched my med to Enbrel. It has given me a little better result, but I still have too many issues. I also take an oral anti-inflammatory and Tylenol as well. God speed for a cure! June 12, at I simply stumbled upon your blog and wished to say that I have truly enjoyed browsing your blog posts. June 30, at Count the first day of your period as DAY1 and have sex as much as possible on DAYS 10 16 as this is your most fertile days Try not to think of sex as the means to getting pregnant you need to remember that it is your relationship that also needs time effort and care because a strong relationship can help you beat anything no matter what October 13, at A friend recommended PeaPlex. I saw this product on RS4supplements. You should try it.

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Expert advice from the arthritis specialist who keeps athletes in the game and at their best For every active person sidelined by the pain of arthritis, whether a would-be weekend softball champion or potential marathon runner, rheumatol.

However, arthritis can affect any joint in your body. A lot of information about arthritis has been published over the years. It can be hard to distinguish fact from fiction. There are different types of arthritis, all with different manifestations and symptoms. Arthritis of the hands Arthritis in your hands affects your wrists and joints in your fingers. Over time you might experience chronic pain, and performing simple activities may prove difficult. Anatomy of the hand The anatomy of the hand is unique and complex. Arthritis that affects the hand can be painful and debilitating, given the complexity of the hand and the number of joints it contains. Your hands and wrists are made up of several different bones. Two or more bones meet and form a joint. All of the fingers contain three joints except your thumb, which has two. The bone surface area near the joint is covered with cartilage. Cartilage makes it possible for your bones to pass smoothly against one another as they move. A fibrous capsule lined with a thin membrane called synovium encloses each joint. This structure secretes a fluid, which lubricates the joints. Connective tissues called ligaments support and connect bones, and make sure they stay in place. Tendons are another form of connective tissue. They connect muscles to bones, which in turn allows the muscles to move your bones. When arthritis strikes the hand, it usually affects these vital parts. Types of arthritis that affect the hands There are different types of arthritis that can affect your hands. Osteoarthritis Osteoarthritis OA , the most common form of arthritis, is a chronic, or long-term, condition. If you have OA, the cartilage that cushions the ends of your bones at the joints breaks down. Once the cartilage begins to degrade, your bones rub against each other in the joint area. Stiffness, pain, and loss of movement in the joint are a few common symptoms that you may notice. Rheumatoid arthritis Your immune system typically protects you from infection. Rheumatoid arthritis RA , though, is a chronic inflammatory disease that affects the joints. RA is caused by an attack on the body started by the immune system. In addition to joint damage, you will likely notice: In addition to making use of your hands difficult, it can cause deformities, if inflammation continues. Juvenile arthritis is used to describe the disease when it occurs before the age of There are many different types of juvenile arthritis, and it causes pain and joint swelling in the hands and wrist. Injuries such as broken bones in the hands or ligament, or tendon damage in the hand or wrist can also cause arthritis. Though the injury heals, these areas may have become weakened and more susceptible to arthritis in the future. Tips for preventing arthritis There is no known cure for arthritis. In fact, most treatments for arthritis are aimed at early recognition and prevention. Genetics can increase your likelihood for developing arthritis, as can a strong family history of the disease. Women are also more prone to arthritis than men. You may try to prevent arthritis and still develop the disease. However, you can take actions to reduce your risk: Maintain a healthy weight. This can help to fight off OA. This may reduce your chance of developing RA. Try to avoid injury when playing sports or participating in recreational activities. If your job requires a lot of pushing, pulling, or lifting of heavy objects, take precautions to avoid injury to your joints. If your job calls for a lot of typing, practice good posture. If necessary, get a special keyboard, wrist cushion, or pad. More tips for your hands Moving your hands and fingers can help keep your ligaments and tendons flexible and increase the function of synovial fluid. Try regular hand exercises to strengthen muscles and relieve stiffness and pain. Simple exercises like flexing and bending, finger touching, and finger sliding may help keep your fingers limber. Staying physically active while at the same time taking extra precautions against injury is vital not only for preventing arthritis, but also for your overall physical health. Diagnosing arthritis Arthritis can be difficult to diagnose. Talk to your doctor if you begin to experience any of the symptoms. Your doctor will look at your hands and joints, and check for tenderness. Your doctor will also look for any pain or swelling, or any other damage. They may send you to a rheumatologist, a doctor specializing in arthritis and other conditions of the muscles and joints. They may also recommend blood tests, X-rays, and other imaging tests, which can often help to determine the level of inflammation. Arthritis is a

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debilitating disease, and early detection is key. Treatment varies with the type of arthritis. Certain medications help ease pain and inflammation. If you have RA, your doctor may prescribe medications that decrease inflammation by suppressing your immune response. In extreme cases, surgery may be necessary to correct or alleviate certain problems, especially if arthritis is causing major limitations in your life. Staying active, eating a healthy and balanced diet, and getting plenty of sleep are simple ways to manage your arthritis. Make sure to take breaks when doing strenuous or repetitive activities. Figure out the activities that cause your arthritis to flare up, and learn the best way to manage your pain. If you do have pain in your hands, you might try using assistive devices, which are designed to take pressure off your joints. Examples include special jar openers and gripping devices. The Arthritis Foundation estimates that by the year , 78 million people will have arthritis. If you begin to experience any symptoms, see a doctor. When it comes to getting ahead of arthritis, early detection is the best detection.

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42 Playing Through Arthritis As with the knee. other muscle groups may be just as important in preventing the ravages of back pain and arthritisâ€”most notably. or help to lower the risk of injury. relaxing your abdominal muscles and taking in a deep breath (inhale). after raising your legs off the ground you can try to slowly spread them apart.

Chapter 8 : Wrist Pain In Golfers â€” Symptoms, Treatment, And Prevention

I am in my 50th year of playing guitar; though I play mainly Folk songs, I play quite actively withgigs all over the globe. I have been battling Psoriatic Arthritis for the past 3+ years. I have used Humira, Stelara, and I am currently using Cosentyx.

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