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## Objectives

- Describe the neurology of sleep and sleep patterns
- Correlate sleep quality, health, performance, and clinical decision-making.
- Examine deleterious effects of sleep deprivation on performance
- Assess sleep hygiene strategies

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## What about that nightly alcohol?!

- (1) he should continue to drink his nightly wine and add a cup of coffee in the morning to feel less drowsy
- (2) he should stop drinking his nightly glass of wine and try relaxation exercises after his 12 hour shifts before bed
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## How about when traveling from West to East time zones?

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- (1) try doing yoga 1 hour before bed
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- (3) go to a supplement store to see what supplements they recommend
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Myth vs Facts

## 8 <br> You CANNOT "catch-up" on weekends

Surgeons were 170\% more likely to make an error without
at least 6 hours of sleep

Mental health and sleep are related-particularly in adolescents who are sleep deprived with early school start times.

While hard work and commitment to our patients and roles are necessary, research demonstrates that lack of sleep harms individuals, clinical, and academic performance

## Anatomy and Physiology of Memory

- Sensations come in and are processed in the sensory cortex with amygdala (emotional) influence, then move to the prefrontal cortex for working memory and hippocampus for short term storage
- From the hippocampus, memories are encoded and sent back to the cortex for long term storage in declarative memory
- Memories about movement, actions or step-by-step processes, called procedural memories, are stored in the basal ganglia and cerebellum


## Anatomy and Physiology of Sleep

- Sleep: Optic nerve is just under the suprachiasmatic nucleus which tells your pineal gland to produce melatonin which tells your brain, "it's dark".
- Sleep is active, starts in frontal lobes. The thalamus blocks external stimuli form reaching the cortex. Stages 1-4 progress as slow waves synchronously move from the front of the brain to back, broken by sleep spindles
- When awake, the brain stem starts a cycle of awake with many other structures included prefrontal cortex and hippocampus


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## Sleep and Memory

- Slow waves (non REM) sleep promotes cerebral recovery and improves cognitive functioning
- Sleep consolidates memories. Research demonstrates that we remember things better when we sleep after learning them
- Want to remember? Go to sleep!


## Audience Participation! Sleep Self-Reflection from the Sleep Hygiene Index

1. I take daytime naps lasting two or more hours.
2. I go to bed at different times from day to day.
3. I get out of bed at different times from day to day.
4. I exercise to the point of sweating within 1 h of going to bed.

5 .I stay in bed longer than I should two or three times a week.
6. I use alcohol, tobacco, or caffeine within 4 h of going to bed or after going to bed.
7. I do something that may wake me up before bedtime (for example: play video games, use the internet, or clean).
8. I go to bed feeling stressed, angry, upset, or nervous.
9. I use my bed for things other than sleeping or sex (for example: watch television, read, eat, or study).
10. I sleep on an uncomfortable bed (for example: poor mattress or pillow, too much or not enough blankets).
11. I sleep in an uncomfortable bedroom (for example: too bright, too stuffy, too hot, too cold, or too noisy).
12. I do important work before bedtime (for example: pay bills, schedule, or study).
13. I think, plan, or worry when I am in bed.


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## Sleep well: How to get better sleep quality and duration



Protect enough time


No phones! (remember
the suprachiasmatic nucleus)


No meds or ETOH


Still can't sleep? Find a
sleep (CBT) therapist


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## A Theory of Planned Behavior Research Model for Predicting the Sleep Intentions and Behaviors <br> of Undergraduate College Students

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Here is the research study examining how college students can be successful at changing behaviors

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## Problems and Solutions

## Problems:

Chronic lack of sleep leads to:

- Decreased academic performance
- Decreased emotional well-being
- Increased accidents, mistakes and damages


## Solutions:

- Teach and practice sleep hygiene skills
- Engage in educated conversations about the value of sleep as more than a luxury
- Show values to student and worker sleep time



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