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TODAY'S DISCUSSION

- How is OU addressing employee mental well-being at work?
- What are some strategies you could implement at your organization?
- What are some potential resources to promote at work?



WHAT IS MENTAL WELL-BEING?

FEELING HAPPY ABOUT YOUR LIFE & ENJOYING
EXPERIENCES THAT PROVOKE HAPPINESS

QUALITY
SOCIAL
CONNECTIONS

SENSE OF PURPOSE

CONTINUED

SELFDEVELOPMENT
& GROWTH

BELIEVING YOU CAN

MENTAL WELL-BEING IN THE WORKPLACE

Promotes mental well-being

- Good professional relationships
- Clear, constructive feedback and instructions
- Work-life balance

Contributes to productivity, success, and job satisfaction.

Unaddressed, chronic negative factors leads to burnout.

Discourages mental well-being

- Lack of support
- Unrealistic deadlines
- Workplace conflict

HOW IS OU ADDRESSING EMPLOYEE MENTAL WELL-BEING AT WORK?



Virtual Watercooler Chats







EDUCATION

Workshops from employee wellness, L&OD, EAP, etc.

SUPERVISOR FOUNDATIONS MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

NEW EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION (NEO)

TALK SAVES LIVES



ENVIRONMENT & COMMUNICATION

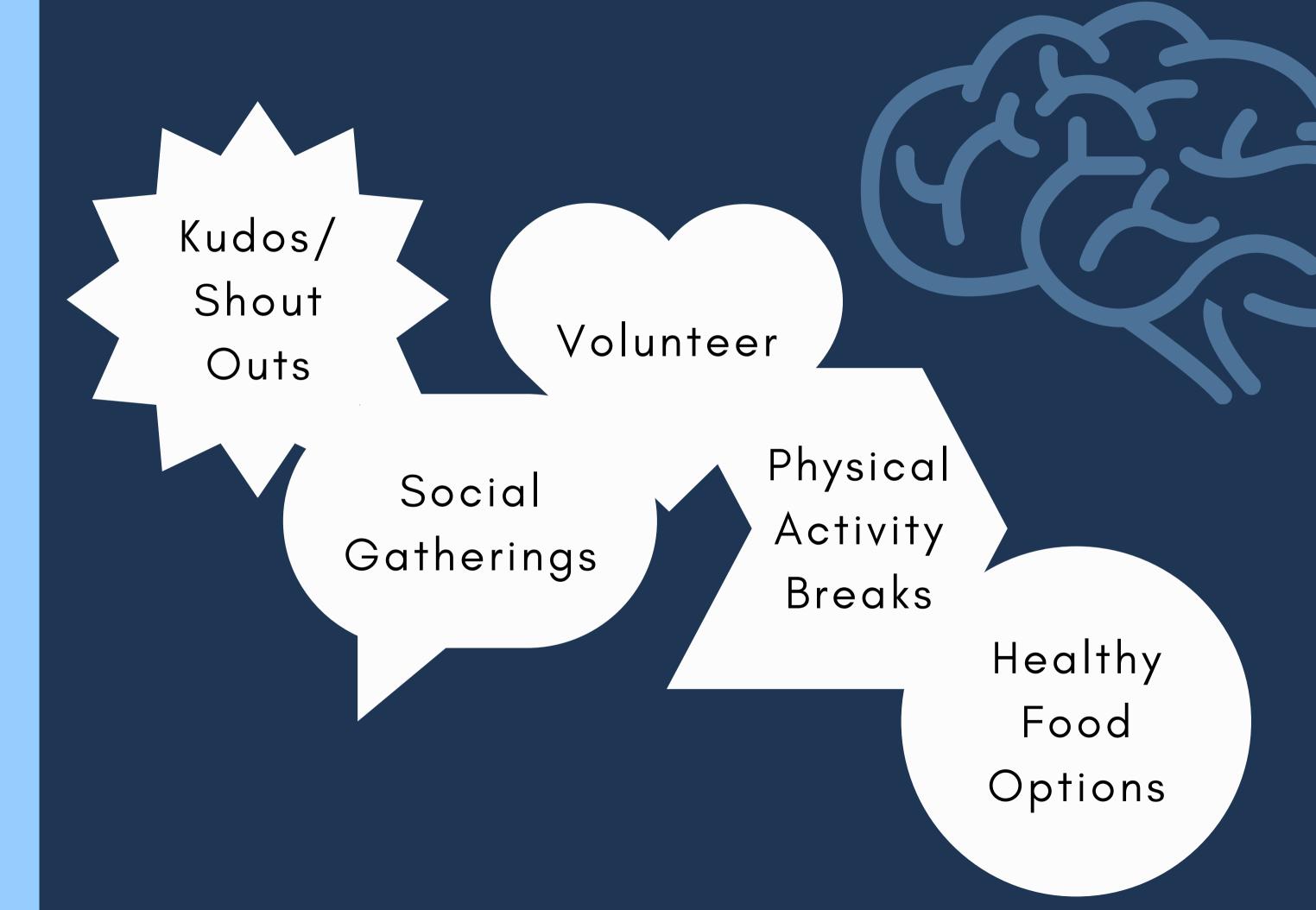
Employee Benefits Physical Activity

Surveys/Town
Halls

Flexible Work Arrangements



WHAT ARE SOME STRATEGIES YOU COULD IMPLEMENT AT YOUR ORGANIZATION?



EDUCATION



Workshops



Coaching/training for managers



Appointed well-being influencers/leaders/captains



On-boarding and staff meetings

ENVIRONMENT & COMMUNICATION

COMMUNICATION

- Gather input/feedback
- Share results and plan of action
- Regularly communicate/show support and empathy

BENEFITS SUPPORT WELL-BEING

- Leave/PTO/mental health days
- Flexible work arrangements

PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

- Chill/quiet room
- Standing desks
- Inviting walking paths & sitting areas

Employee Assistance Program (EAP)

Oklahoma Dept. of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services

- ARE YOU OK?
- 988
- MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID
- KOGNITO

In Your Community

- ARTS/MUSIC FESTIVALS
- FINANCIAL WELLNESS CLASSES
- FREE/LOW COST CLASSES AT LIBRARIES, CHURCHES, COUNTY HEALTH DEPTS., ETC.

WHAT ARE SOME POTENTIAL RESOURCES PROMOTE AT WORK?



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THANK YOU & BE WELL!