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Bulk up your meals with the good stuff Nutritionally balance your meals by incorporating five different veggies. Think broccoli, spinach, beans, mushrooms, capsicum, sweet potato, zucchini, tomato, pumpkin etc.	Move away from the screens At work or home, break from your computer or the couch every 30 minutes. If you're at work challenge the rest of your team to 'squat o'clock' by getting everyone to squat at their desk for 1-2 mins every hour.	Mindfulness Challenge: Stop internal chatter Pick a colour (i.e blue) and think of the "what" and "how". What: observe your surroundings and look for all the blue objects and describe in detail the object and shade of blue. How: think about each detail in full before moving on to the next one.	Cleanse your kitchen Ditch all the sweet nasties in your pantry and fridge. We're talking all processed, packaged and refined snacks/treats. That goes for all the chocolate, bickies, soft-drinks, sauces or spreads, chips and juices living in your kitchen. Out of sight, out of mind we say!	Prep your meals If you fail to plan, you plan to fail. Write a list and check it twice, then head to the shops to grab what you need. Dedicating an hour or so to prepping your meals for the week will not only help you positively set up your week, but save you the cost of buying takeaway every day AND having to prepare multiple meals.
DAY 6	DAY 7	DAY 8	DAY 9	DAY 10
► Tune out to tune in Australian's are spending more time on screens than sleeping. Too much screen time can negatively impact on your mental and physical health. So, today disconnect from technology for an hour and do something you love like reading, writing, painting, cooking, gardening etc. <u>Powering-down</u> will improve your creative juices and allow you to enjoy the present moment.	Move where you can Challenge yourself to this <u>HIIT</u> workout by our friends at Snap Fitness Yarrawonga that you can do at home, in the park or at the gym.	Mindfulness Challenge: Breath Sit or stand and place one hand on top of your belly and the other in the middle of your chest. Inhale through your nose so that the hand on your belly moves outwards whilst the hand on your chest remains still. Hold for 3 counts and breath out through your mouth. Continue for 3 minutes.	 Me, myself and I Practice one or more of these self-care tips today: Sleep more Exercise Eat well Say no, more Take a solo trip Pet an animal Get organised Cook Read a book Make time for yourself and stick to it 	Swap out the coffee We're not saying go cold turkey, but reducing your caffeine intake has its perks (no-pun-intended). Reducing anxiety, improving sleep, more absorption of nutrients, improving cognitive behaviour, decreasing blood pressure and improving the balance of hormones for women are all benefits of reducing caffeine in your diet. Try a few different flavoured herbal teas as an easy alternative. Dandelion tea is similar in taste and has a <u>list of health benefits.</u>

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Chew consciously Disconnect from all your devices during mealtime today to promote healthy eating habits. It can be very easy to over eat while you're distracted on a phone call, swiping through social media or watching TV. So, sit down, think about what you're eating and put your fork and knife down between each bite. You'll thank us for it later.	► Vitamin sunshine Enjoy your lunch outside today in a nearby park or outside courtyard to get your daily dosage of vitamin D. 15-30 minutes of sunlight on your skin will improve your absorption of calcium and phosphorus that help your body maintain strong and healthy bones. Remember to slip slop slap before you leave!	Mindfulness Challenge: Sensations Sitting or lying down, curl your toes in tight, squeeze, count to ten and slowly release. Then, move to your calves and do the same. Keep progressing up your body until you've done this to all muscle groups (thighs, buttocks etc), finishing with your face. This is a great trick at times of stress, anxiety or anger.	► Cool down In the midst of summer, you'll no doubt be looking for a way to reduce body heat. Cool down with one of our top ten Territory Health smoothie recipes, which are simple to make and jam packed with nutrients. Download our FREE <u>eBook here</u> .	► Gratitude It's Friday! Write down five things that you're grateful for in life right now. Focusing on what you're grateful for can help put things in perspective and reduce your levels of stress by looking at the bigger picture. We've created a <u>gratitude list</u> for you to print out and hang in your home, office, at work, so you can be reminded.
DAY 16	DAY 17	DAY 18	DAY 19	DAY 20
▶ Pass the salt Take some time this weekend to make a trip to the ocean. The sea air will increase your happy hormone, serotonin by the charge of negative ions in the air. Taking a dip in the ocean's salt water can also have <u>physical</u> <u>benefits like oxygenating your</u> <u>blood to regulate blood sugar</u> <u>levels. Find a safe spot to swim</u> <u>around you here.</u>	Get your forty winks! With an endless to-do list and our lives being busier than ever, it's easy to forget the basics – like getting enough sleep. Make an effort tonight to get into bed by 7.30-8.00pm, so that you are preparing your body for sleep by winding down early. Lack of sleep can increase insulin resistance, imbalance your appetite hormones and lower physical and mental performance.	Calorie Crusher Our wonderful friends at Snap Fitness Yarrawonga have put together <u>this workout</u> routine that you can complete at home or in the gym.	Mindfulness Challenge: Walk the talk Walking meditation can allow us to guide ourselves out of the constant cycle of inner dialogue we sometimes have. So, take a walk today and pay attention to your steps, movement in your legs and body and if you notice your mind drifting back to the cycle, focus your mind once again on the sensation of the movement you feel.	 Spice up your life Herbs and spices have a list of medicinal properties that carry a range of health benefits. Try incorporating one of these 10 powerful herbs and spices into your meals: Cinnamon Sage Peppermint Turmeric Basil Cayenne Pepper Ginger Fenugreek Rosemary Garlic



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DAY 21	DAY 22	DAY 23	DAY 24	DAY 25
Ready, set, roll Try this Hawaiian Salmon Poke Bowl <u>recipe</u> for a clean, fresh alternative.	► Switch it up Take a new route/mode to work today. If you normally drive, try taking public transport – or if your feeling ambitious try cycling, walking, or running. When you trick your brain into having to think more, your innovative senses will be increased by changing your input naturally.	 Be kind Practice a random act of kindness today. This can have a range of benefits for you, like an increase in energy, happiness, lifespan and serotonin. Here's some ideas to get you started: Buy someone a coffee Make someone a meal Send a 'thank you' email to one of your colleagues/ friends/ family members Pick up rubbish Donate clothes, books or other items to a not-for-profit 	★ Enjoy a meatless meal Try <u>this recipe</u> by Dr Libby Weaver for a healthier alternative to one of the most popular Asian takeaway orders.	 Stop, pause and meditate Meditating has a list of health benefits including: Stress reduction Controls anxiety Promotes emotional health Enhances self-awareness Lengthens attention span Reduces age-related memory loss Improves sleep Take 5-10 minutes this morning to invest in your mental health. <u>Here's a list</u> of the best meditation Apps around.
DAY 26	DAY 27	DAY 28	DAY 29	DAY 30
Try something new Adaptability can go a long way. Taking that new yoga class or starting that fitness challenge can get you out of that rut you might be feeling and help you kickstart your motivation again. As a Territory Health Fund Member you have access to a range of benefits when you sign up with Snap Fitness, including a reduced weekly rate. Learn more <u>here</u> .	★ Try being dry Start off your week booze free and follow it through til the rest of the week. Cutting down on alcohol can reduce your risk of developing chronic diseases like cancer, not to mention taking a load off your expenses. Have a look at <u>these tips</u> on how to adjust to your booze free lifestyle.	Kettlebell Challenge Challenge yourself today by moving with <u>this workout</u> <u>challenge</u> by our friends at Snap Fitness Yarrawonga.	Add a twist to your coffee Cinnamon is one powerful spice. It has a tonne of health benefits like; anti-inflammatory properties and the ability to lower blood sugar levels by improving insulin sensitivity. So, add a sprinkle to your coffee for a healthy twist and a tasty difference.	Make it green Try this quick and easy recipe for a green frittata that you can enjoy for breakfast, lunch or dinner, by Dr Libby Weaver.



Congratulations! It's your last day of the challenge. Take some time to reflect on how far you've come this month and how you have started in a place of strength, control and investment in your health to set up your year...and decade!

Take the learnings you have gained from this and keep them going into the future!

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