# Resistance Training for Youth

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#### MTP's

- Misconceptions
- Benefits
- Guidelines
- Tips and tricks
- Sample workouts

# Poll Question 1

# Should youth engage in resistance training?

- Common misconceptions still out there:
  - Resistance will stunt their growth.
  - Resistance training is dangerous.
  - Resistance training can cause injury.
  - Resistance training can decrease athletic performance (make them slow)

### When can they start.

- In 2008 CSEP issued a position stand confirming that there is no minimum age for resistance training.
- May be appropriate for children as young as 10 years old. (CSEP-2019)

### Weights or resistance?

- Body weight exercises are resistance exercises.
- Push ups Often done incorrectly.
- Pull-ups
- Dips
- Crunches
- Other calisthenics

#### Weights Better than Bodyweight?

According to the study published in Journal of Strength and Conditioning Research, the test subjects supported with their hands, on average, 69.16% of their body mass in the up position, and 75.04% in the down position during the traditional push-ups. In modified push-ups, where knees are used as the pivot point, subjects supported 53.56% and 61.80% of their body mass in up and down positions, respectively

# Resistance training has many benefits

- Increase muscle strength, endurance, power and balance
- Protect joints and muscles from sport injuries
- Improve motor skills
- Improve performance in nearly all sports
- Stronger bones
- Improve confidence and self-esteem
- Health benefits

### **CSEP Guidelines (youth)**

- Proper warm up
- Proper cool down
- Appropriate Exercises and sized equipment
- Low to moderate intensity
- ▶ 2–3 times per week

## CSEP guidelines continued

- To Start
  - 1-2 sets
  - 8–15 reps
- Progressing to
  - 4 sets
  - ∘ 8–15 reps
  - 8–12 exercises

# Picking Exercises

- Push
- Pull
- Squat
- Lunge
- Hinge
- Rotation
- Jumping & Landing
- Core stability (both movement and anti-movement)
- Balance

#### Cost /benefit of exercises

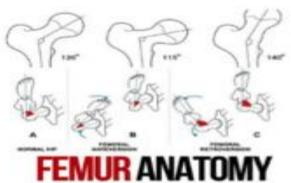
- There are no bad exercises
- Some maybe more appropriate
- Some have more risk
- There is always another exercise
- Likes and dislikes
- Eg Lat pull downs

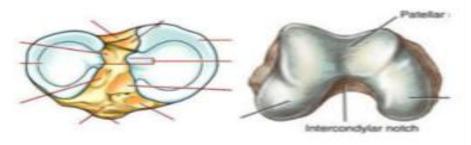
## Tips and Tricks

- Squats Find your squat stance
- Squats and lunges are not hinge movements.
- Shoulder retraction when rowing.
- Hinging at the hips not the spine.

# WHY EVERYONE SHOULD SQUAT DIFFERENT







#### **KNEE ANATOMY**



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# Squats





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#### Rowing and Shoulder Retraction





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# Hinging -RDL/Good mornings/Back extension





# Hinging – continued





#### Warmup

- General -
  - 40–60% HRmax
  - 10% of total workout time (typically ~5–10 min)

- Specific
  - Mimics resistance training exercise
  - Increases neuromuscular efficiency
  - 50% 1RM for 10–15 reps

#### Warm-up continued

- > A Run
- A Skips
- B Kicks
- > Carioca
- Side shuffle
- Leg Swings
- Frankenstein walks
- Knees to Chest

#### Set Preformance

- Straight Sets
- Super Sets
- Tri Sets
- Giant Sets
- Circuits

- Can add in other aspects of fitness
- Set up multiple stations
- Multiple exercises with same equipment

#### Notes on circuits

- ▶ Reps 8–15
- ▶ Sets 1–4
- Tempo Controlled for most exercises (2020)
- Add in cardio/balance/agility/accuracy/coordination
- drills
- Toss in sport specific skills (basketball, hockey, soccer, etc...)

## Circuits Depend on

Equipment (variety and type)
Space (size and make up)

#### Progressions and Regressions

- Pushups knees, High plank hold, negative pushups, from toes…
- Plank from knees, from toes, one foot elevated...
- Squats bench, body weight, goblet, BB back, front...
- Lunges stationary, dynamic, walking, reverse, pendulum...

# Pooling question #2

- Goblet Squats
- BB Bench press
- Hammer Curls
- Triceps Push downs
- Cable Row
- Glute Bridge

- Step ups
- DB incline press
- Twist Curls
- DB skull crushers
- SB Hamstring Curls
- Low Plank

- Bike ride 80% 90 sec
- Split squats
- Seated OHP
- Pallof Press
- Kick Backs
- Hamstring Curls

- Lap
- Bench Squats
- Pull-downs
- Incline supported row
- Box Jump
- High Plank

- Stairs
- Flat DB Press
- Overhead extensions
- Lateral Lunges
- Bent over row
- MB Slams

- Incline Bench Press
- BOSU X over
- Split squats
- Lateral Raises
- Ladder Drill
- Side Plank

- Skipping
- Lunges
- Incline DB Press
- 1 arm dumbbell row
- MB Chest Pass
- Micro Hurdle Drill

- Jump Squats (unloaded)
- Front Raises
- Calf Raises
- Wrist curls
- ▶ 5-10-5 drill
- ▶ TRX Row

#### Before hand suggestions

- Practice exercises before hand
- Have progression/regression exercises available
- Be familiar with spotting techniques

#### Cool Down

- Light cardio (bike)
- Static Stretching
  - All major body parts worked 20-30 seconds per stretch 1-3 sets
- Foam rolling

## Things to keep in mind.

- Safety
- Body Awareness
- Form, form, form
- Full Range of motion
- Go light and do it right!
- Machines are fine good at helping to "find the working muscles" (remember proper sizing and setup)

#### Can we start now?

- Depends
- Many trainers doing PT online
- Focus on form
- Get creative with weights (safety first)
- Modifying exercises to fit situation.

#### Need more info

- Canfitpro www.canfitpro.com
- Alberta/NWT http://www.provincialfitnessunit.ca/
- New Brunswick <a href="http://fitnessnb.ca/">http://fitnessnb.ca/</a>
- Nova Scotia <a href="http://www.nsfitness.ca/">http://www.nsfitness.ca/</a>
- BC/Yukon <a href="https://www.bcrpa.bc.ca/">https://www.bcrpa.bc.ca/</a>

- Saskatchewan <a href="https://www.spra.sk.ca/">https://www.spra.sk.ca/</a>
- Ontario <a href="https://ontariofitnesscouncil.com/">https://ontariofitnesscouncil.com/</a>
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# Questions?



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