

Arthritis and osteoporosis are two of the biggest challenges to bone and joint health. Women share a disproportionate burden of these common and costly conditions.

**ARTHRITIS** is a progressive condition that destroys the cartilage in joints, causing significant pain and disability. There are more than 100 types of arthritis.

- → Most types of arthritis are more common in women. (CDC)
- → About 26% of US women report doctor-diagnosed arthritis. compared to 19% of men. (CDC)



**OSTEOPOROSIS** is a bone disease that occurs when when the skeleton loses mineral density. The bone becomes thin and unable to take normal stresses and also leaves bones that break easily.

- Of the estimated 10 million in the US with osteoporosis, about eight million or 80% are women. (National Osteoporosis Foundation)
- WOMEN aged 65+ have a 25% chance of getting osteoporosis. (CDC)

## WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR BONE & JOINT HEALTH

- **EAT HEALTHY** 
  - **EXERCISE**
  - **AVOID INJURY**
- PRACTICE SELF CARE
- MANAGE WEIGHT
- PRACTICE GOOD **NUTRITION HABITS**
- **STAY ACTIVE**
- **CONNECT TO** SOCIAL SUPPORT
- **GET SCREENED** 
  - DEXA Scan (~age 60s)
  - X-Ray Evaluation
- **MANAGE PAIN**
- LEARN SELF MANAGEMENT SKILLS

