

# STTAR CLINIC

Movement before & after surgery may reduce complications like blood clots. The body can better cope with the stress & return to a normal quality of life.

MOVE

Deep breathing exercises help optimize your lungs allowing them to recover faster and prevent potential complications like pneumonia

BREATHE

Increase protein intake before surgery helps to expedite healing after surgery. Foods like cheese, nuts, fish, chicken, Greek yogurt and peanut butter are healthy whole food choices.

DIET

Carbohydrate loading the morning of surgery has proven beneficial by providing the body stamina during the procedure and alleviating potential nausea & vomiting

DRINK



Enhanced Recovery After Surgery

## **FLUID**

Good hydration before surgery helps the kidneys filter toxins from anesthesia and prevents potential constipation which can be seen after surgery. Drink 64 oz of water daily.

#### SHOWER

Following the presurgical showering schedule and using the recommended products Hibiclens or Dial liquid body wash will help prevent surgical site infections after surgery

## PAIN CONTROL

Multimodal pain approach used after surgery helps minimize narcotic use and the potential side effects that are associated with their use like constipation.

# STRESS REDUCTION

Stress reduction prior to surgery is important for optimal healing. Participate in activities that distract from worry like meditation & deep breathing.