## Activities of Daily Living

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We all have certain *Activities of Daily Living* (ADLs). However, each person's health status will directly *enable* or *limit* which ADLs can be performed and enjoyed. What do you *need* to do each day? What *can* you do each day? What do you *want to do* 1, 5, or 10+ years from now each day?

Taking care of your health is the best way to facilitate high-level function that provides the most opportunity to experience life at its fullest through injury-free movement.

## Start today so you keep moving tomorrow! ©

- 1. <u>Basic</u>: Eating, bathing, dressing, bathroom, bed, & mobility.
- 2. Instrumental: Light-heavy cleaning, cooking, washing, ironing, & shopping.
- 3. Advanced: \*Hard work, travel, emergency actions, & active recreation!
- 4. Athletic: Ability to function well in desired sport or vigorous activity.

Don't limit your opportunities—As a minimum focus on the \*Advanced ADLs!