# Sleep Restriction and its Effects on Obesity and Type II Diabetes

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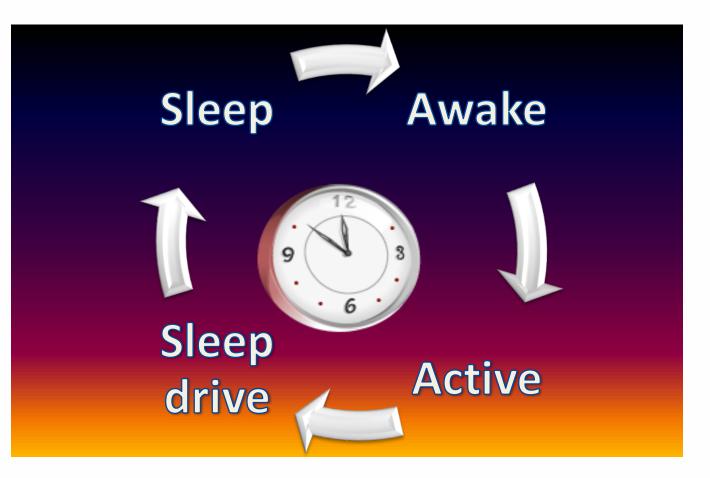


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#### **Understanding the Need for Sleep** A homeostatic response to life



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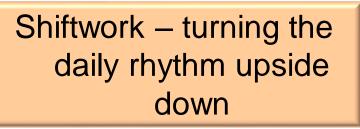
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#### **Sleep Restriction**

## Rosters & schedules not allowing enough time between shifts to get enough sleep





#### **Sleep Disorders**

- There are more than 70 classified sleep disorders
- They can be put into categories such as:
  - Insomnia;
  - obstructed airways;
  - circadian rhythm disorders and
  - a whole range of medical-sleep related disorders..



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#### **Sleep Disturbance**

- Partners
- Babies & Children
- External noises







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#### **Sleep Nonchalance**

- "I'll sleep when I'm dead"
- Other priorities, such as social media
- Late night TV
- Socialising
- Misperception of risk ("I only work 9-5")







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#### **Sleep Restriction Effects on Physical Health**

- Obesity
- Type II Diabetes
- Immunocompetence..



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#### **Obesity**

Studies have found -

- That in the last generation we sleep approximately 1.5 hour less than we used to
- At least 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of Americans and nearly half of Australians currently sleep less than they should
- This has correlated with the steady increase in obesity worldwide..



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#### **Sleep Restriction Links to Obesity**

There are three basic issues to consider:

- 1) Ghrelin A tired person is a hungry person
- 2) Leptin A tired person generally overeats
- 3) Motivation A tired person can't be bothered eating well and they don't have the energy to exercise..





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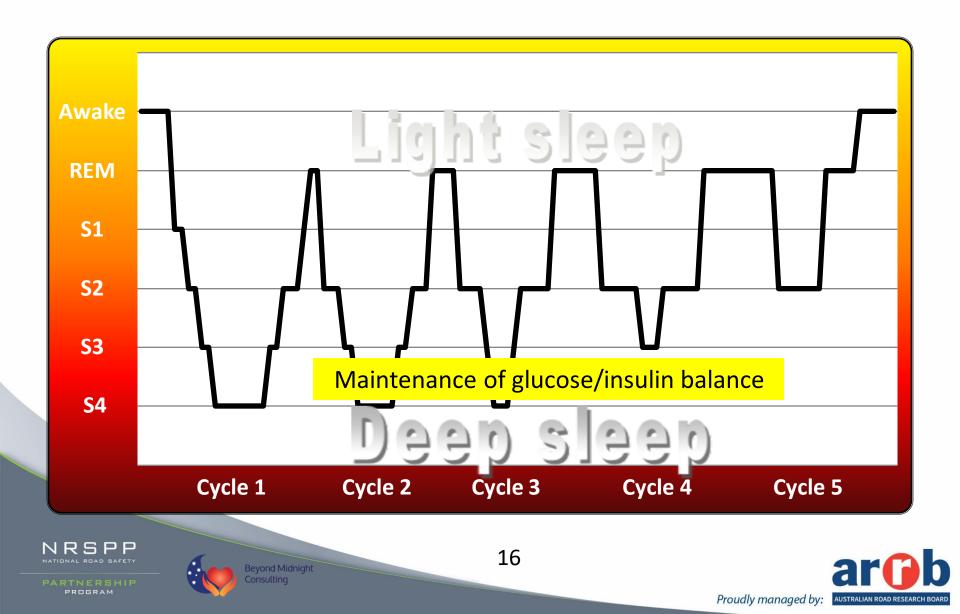




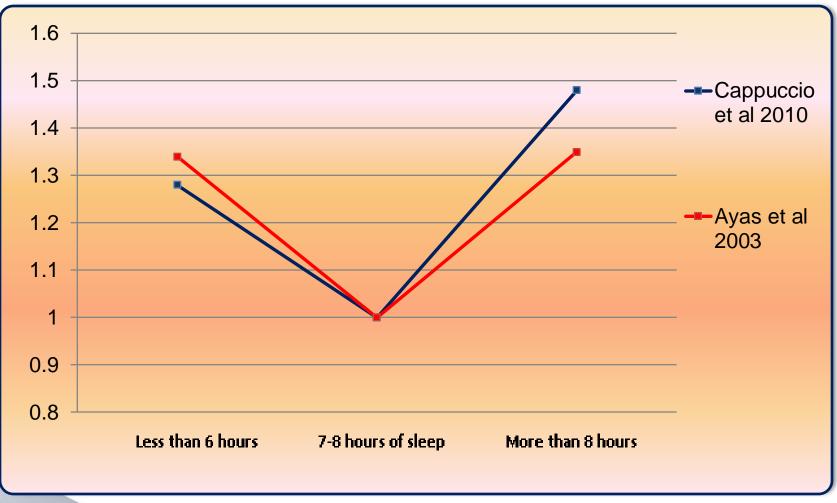
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#### **Sleep stages & cycles across the night**



#### **Type II Diabetes**



Cappuccio et al. (2010) – 10 research projects with 107,000 subjects. Ayas et al. (2003) – 70,000 enrolled nurses. Source: Beyond Midnight Consulting "Fatigue Risk Management for Individuals and Employees: Health, Wellness, Safety & Productivity" 2018. NRSPP

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#### **Sleep & Type II Diabetes**

- Dr Eve van Cauter (Uni of Chicago)
  - In 2004 tested 22-year old subjects
  - 6 nights of 4 hours sleep
  - Found decreased glucose tolerance
  - Decreased Leptin & increased Ghrelin
  - Adverse cardiovascular effects
- In 2007, Dr van Cauter tested similar subjects
  - Over 3 nights with 8 hours of sleep
  - No deep sleep

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#### **The Immune System & Immunosuppression**

- A number of studies have shown that when a person is immunised, the conversion of antibodies are affected by poor sleep
- This has been shown in research in adults with:
  - Hepatitis B treatment and
  - Influenza Virus treatments.
- Around half of the immunity was obtained..



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#### What can we do in the Workplace?

- Use Code of Practice to better organise shifts, rosters, breaks and other important aspects of fatigue management
- Conduct a Fatigue Risk Assessment workshop
- Make a serious effort to be inclusive and obtain feedback from all parts of the organisation
- Get help from a fatigue content expert.



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Before Going to Bed				The Next Morning					
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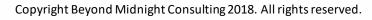






#### Summary

- We need to remember the homeostatic balance required for sleep and wakefulness
- Most adults need between 7 and 9 hours of sleep per 24-hour period
- If you don't get the sleep you need one night, try to catch up the following night
- Continued sleep restriction will affect your physical and mental health
- Getting the right amount of sleep will improve your health and wellness, and allow you to be the "best version of yourself"..







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