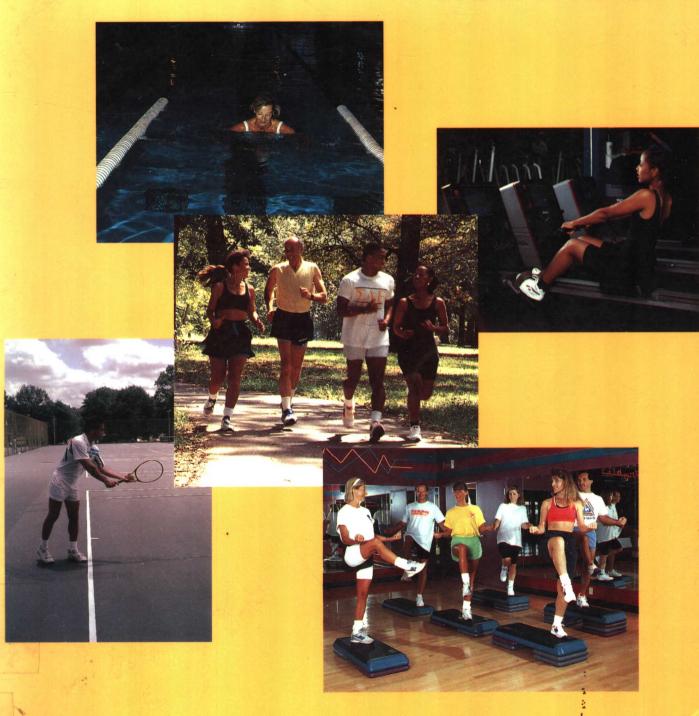
Third Edition

Fitness for Wellness

The Physical Connection

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Preface

The aim of the third edition of this text is the same as the first—to establish through contemporary evidence the connection between physical fitness and wellness. The fact that this is a third edition attests to the unceasing interest in fitness and wellness by college and university instructors and their students. There has been an explosion of new information since the first edition appeared in 1986, and the proliferation of information has continued at a brisk pace since the second edition was published in 1990. The massive research effort in this exciting field is evident as a host of researchers submit the results of their work to medical, exercise science, and nutritional science journals for publication. The steady stream of new information clearly indicated that another revision was in order, and once again, several important challenges had to be addressed.

The first challenge was to solicit feedback from adopters of the book regarding the book's utility, level of difficulty, and research orientation. Most of the respondents to a marketing survey conducted by West Publishing Company, while applauding the up-to-date documentation, suggested the documentation be scaled down so as not to overwhelm the reader. This was a difficult but not insurmountable task that resulted in only the most important and representative references being cited in this edition. The references that were ultimately selected for inclusion in the text represent a fraction of those that were read in preparation for writing the manuscript.

A second challenge was deciding what and how much would be deleted from the second edition. These difficult decisions had to be made to keep the text within manageable proportions yet expansive enough to convey the nature of the relationship between physical fitness and wellness as it is scientifically observed at this writing. Every chapter in this new edition has been significantly improved by the addition of new information and the deletion of outdated material. As a result, this edition is a little larger than the second edition, which again attests to the ongoing explosion of information being generated in this field. On a number of occasions during the writing of the manuscript, concepts, principles, and standards that were once accepted as truths by the scientific community had to be changed, updated, or replaced with newer information. These changes were made to assure that the text would be as current as possible when it went to print.

Several goals were established for the third edition. The primary objective is to inform college-age students regarding the development of physical fitness and wellness. Carefully selected research is the foundation of the text and the method through which the primary objective of providing pertinent information is met. The second objective is to help students gain insight into their own physical fitness and health status by providing a variety of self-assessment instruments. A third objective is that the text would aid college and university instructors as they teach basic fitness and wellness courses, because the text pulls together current research data from exercise science, medicine, nutrition, and the allied health professions. To this end, this edition is amply referenced not only to validate the information that it contains but also to provide a convenient and handy source for those who are interested in pursuing information beyond the book's scope. This edition, like its predecessors, attempts to establish a sound base for lifetime participation in physical fitness activities and an active way of living. Although the

"why" of exercise is emphasized, the "how" is certainly not neglected. In fact, this aspect has been somewhat expanded in this edition.

Many changes have occurred in the third edition that separate it from the first two editions. First and foremost, this edition has moved from a black-and-white format into a full-color text. The illustrations and photos have made the text more attractive. Second, more headings and subheadings have been strategically placed throughout the text so that the reader can quickly grasp the essence of the material that follows. The headings also break up larger portions of the text into smaller segments that are more easily digestible. To further facilitate comprehension of the material, some of the vocabulary and physiological terms have been simplified or deleted. Third, every chapter contains features entitled "Safety Tips" and "Facts, Fallacies, and Timely Tidbits" that enrich the text and add to the interest level. Boxed readings on selected current topics add flavor to the text.

Fourth, this edition features up-to-date statistics as well as new photos, illustrations, tables, charts, and figures. The summaries at the end of each chapter (Chapter Highlights) are in the form of individual statements rather than in narrative form, making it easier to identify important chapter concepts. (It might be helpful to read the Chapter Highlights before reading the chapter itself.)

Fifth, a total of 34 self-assessment instruments and tests are placed together in Appendix C at the back of the book. This procedure, which deviates from the format of previous editions, was chosen (1) so as not to bulk up each chapter, (2) so that the self-assessments would not interrupt the book's conceptual content, and (3) as a means to present them as a group. The tests are perforated for easy removal when they need to be handed in as part of a class assignment. The self-assessments may be administered and supervised by instructors, or they may be taken as outside assignments. Norms and standards are presented as a frame of reference for interpreting their results.

Sixth, adopters of the text will receive, upon request, an updated instructor's manual with chapter outlines and objectives, a test bank, and transparency masters. This convenient aid should help facilitate preparation for the delivery of instruction.

Seventh, items from previous editions that received favorable reviews such as "Points to Ponder," "Margin Notes," and "Miniglossary" were retained and expanded to reflect the new information being presented.

The third edition represents a substantial revision of its predecessor. The chapters not only have been significantly revised but also are presented in a different order. The rationale for changing the order was to present the material as much as possible in approximately the same order that an experienced exerciser would begin a workout or a novice would initiate an exercise program. For example, Chapter 1 lays a foundation for the attainment of wellness through physical fitness. It is important to understand the link between the two and that the fitness component is voluntary, important, and achievable within one's own potential.

Chapter 2 provides a variety of motivational techniques that have been successfully used by both beginners and seasoned exercisers to maintain interest in and enthusiasm for participating in their fitness activities. Chapter 3 issues exercise guidelines with which one must become familiar to maximize the likelihood of effectively and safely achieving one's fitness and wellness objectives. Chapter 4 presents a rationale for improving flexibility through appropriate stretching exercises that should be practiced during every exercise warmup and cooldown period. Chapters 5 and 6 introduce the principles of exercise and their application to the development of musculoskeletal and cardiorespiratory strength and endurance.

Chapters 7 through 11 are primarily informational in nature. It is necessary to understand selected diseases and disorders that can be delayed or prevented through a sound exercise program. Chapters 7 and 8 provide this information. Chapters 9 and 10 cover the basics of nutrition and provide the principles for successfully losing weight in a healthful manner. It seemed important to add Chapter

11, which deals with drugs and sexually transmitted diseases, since the target audience for this text is substantially affected by both.

A textbook is usually not the work of one person, and this effort is no exception. The ideas of many people are represented here. The contributions begin with the data generated by all of the researchers whose works provide the cognitive base for this text. They extend from there to the reviewers whose ideas and suggestions helped to refine the finished product, to the models who contributed to the aesthetics of the text, and to the professional staff of West Publishing Company. Jerry Westby, Manager, College Editorial, directed this project with assistance from Dean De Chambeau, Development Editor, whose cut-and-paste analyses of the reviewers critiques made my job easier; Christine Hurney, Production Editor, who made sure that I met deadlines; and Deborah Cady, Copyeditor, who fine-tuned the language and clarified the ideas.

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High-level wellness is within reach of most students who read this text. Required first is the basic knowledge of what constitutes a wellness lifestyle along with those behaviors that promote optimal health and well-being. Such a lifestyle can delay or prevent the onset of the chronic diseases (heart attack, stroke, cancer, diabetes, atherosclerosis, and chronic obstructive lung disease) that are disabling and killing the majority of Americans. A second requirement involves the motivation necessary to make the effort to act upon that knowledge. In other words, appropriate behavioral patterns consistent with and based upon the best evidence available today will pay substantial health benefits. This text identifies these behaviors and provides discussions regarding their impact on the quality and quantity of life.

A mountain of contemporary data clearly differentiates positive from negative behaviors and the effect that each has upon wellness or illness. After reading this text, you will understand why the behaviors impact health the way they do.

The text emphasizes the attainment of wellness through physical activity and a physically active lifestyle. The connection between the two will become very evident. If you follow the suggestions made here, you can expect many or all of the following physical fitness and wellness benefits to occur:

- 1. Improved physical appearance (more muscle, less fat, improved posture).
- 2. Increased level of energy.
- 3. Improved self-concept and self-esteem.
- 4. Greater ability to relax and handle stress, anxiety, and tension.
- 5. Enhanced mental and emotional well-being.
- Greater resistance to such chronic diseases as heart disease, strokes, cancer, diabetes, osteoporosis, low-back problems, and other musculoskeletal disorders.

Miniglossary

Acute (or Communicable) Disease A severe disease of short duration.

Agility The ability to rapidly change direction while maintaining dynamic balance.

Balance Involves the maintenance of a desired body position either statically or dynamically. Also referred to as equilibrium.

Body Composition The amount of lean versus fat tissue.

Cardiovascular Disease A complex of diseases of the heart and circulatory system.

Cardiorespiratory Endurance The ability to take in, deliver, and extract oxygen for physical work.

Chronic Disease A long-lasting and/or frequently occurring disease.

Chronological Age An individual's calendar age.

Coordination The integration of body parts result-

ing in smooth, fluid motion.

Flexibility Range of motion around a specific joint.

Health Age An individual's biological age.

Health-Related Fitness A type of fitness that enhances one's health status by modifying many of the risks associated with lifestyle diseases.

Muscular Endurance The capacity to exert repetitive muscular force.

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