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Editor's Note:

This Month

ILLEGAL, IMMORAL OR FATTENING

n my youth, I remember the complaint that all the most pleasurable things in life were covered by these three

The current edition of Health Triangle touches on at least two of

Take sugar, for example. A book was published in the last century with the provocative title: 'Pure, white and deadly.'

Investigating his own increasing weight, a retired detective I knew identified sugar as the prime suspect, revealing its ubiquitous presence in 'healthy' choices like fruit and smoothies. The NHS feature spells it all out for you here, in great detail.

'Psychodelics' to deal with the existential side-effects of a cancer diagnosis or even a successful treatment, takes us to the very edge of what the law currently allows.

Are we at last approaching a turning point?

Sleep Tourism is a new idea to me.

I have long acknowledged the genuine value of good sleep, like qood weather - but never considered it as critical when planning a holiday.

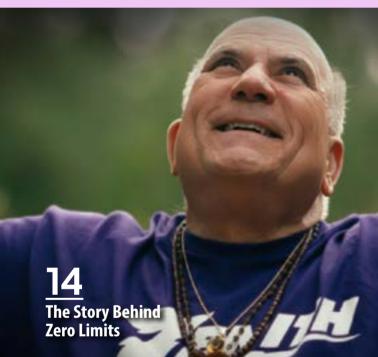
But as **Burnout** becomes a much more common problem, better quality sleep becomes an ever more relevant factor in recharging vour personal batteries.

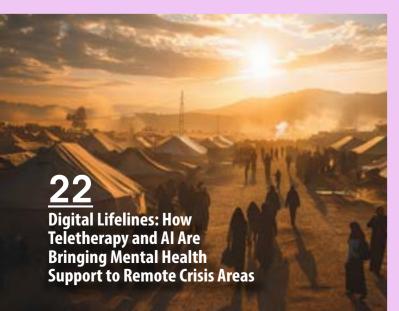
Lots of practical and mystical text for you to read; lots of thoughtful and thought-provoking pages, also.

Take your time. Savour them all. Relax. It's not a race!









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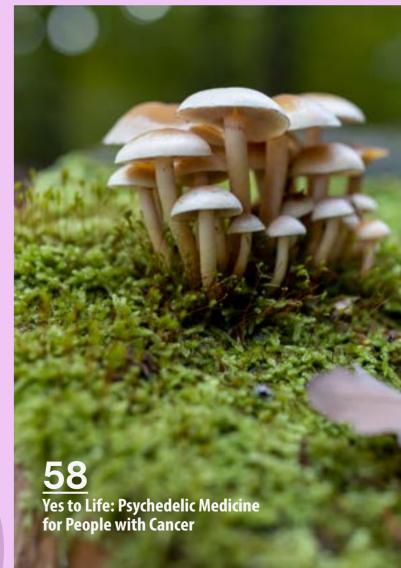
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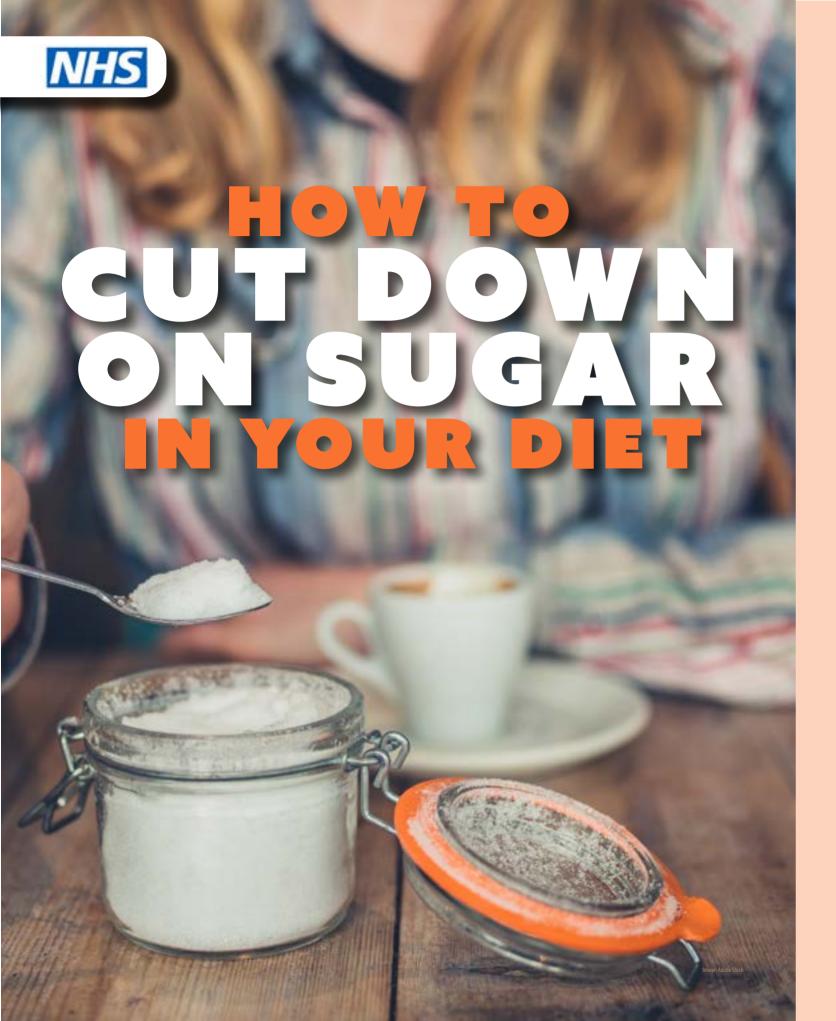
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dded sugars, such as table sugar, honey and syrups, should not make up more than 5% of the energy you get from food and drink each day. That's about 30g a day for anyone aged 11 and older.

SUGAR'S MANY GUISES

There are lots of different ways added sugar can be listed on ingredients labels:

- sucrose
- glucose
- fructose
- maltose
- fruit juice
- molasses
- hydrolysed starch
- invert sugar
- corn syrup
- honey

Food labels tell you how much sugar a food contains:

- high in sugar 22.5g or more of total sugar per
- · low in sugar 5g or less of total sugar per 100g

Some packaging uses a colour-coded system that makes it easy to choose foods that are lower in sugar, salt and fat. Look for more "greens" and "ambers", and fewer "reds", in your shopping basket.

BREAKFAST

Many breakfast cereals are high in sugar. Try switching to lower-sugar cereals or those with no added sugar, such as:

- plain wheat biscuit cereal
- · plain shredded wholegrain cereal
- · no-added-sugar muesli
- plain porridge
- wholemeal toast
- plain natural yoghurt topped with chopped fruit

Porridge oats are cheap and contain vitamins, minerals and fibre. Make porridge with semi-skimmed, 1% or skimmed milk, or water.

If you usually add sugar to your porridge, try adding a few chopped dried apricots or a sliced or mashed banana instead.

For a more gradual approach, you could eat sugary cereals and plain cereals on alternate days, or mix both in the same bowl.

If you add sugar to your cereal, you could try adding less. Or you could eat a smaller portion and add some chopped fruit, such as a pear or banana, which is an easy way of getting some of your 5 A Day.

If toast is your breakfast staple, try wholemeal or granary bread, which is higher in fibre than white bread, and see if you can get by with a little less of your usual spreads like jam, marmalade, honey or chocolate. Or you could try sugar-free or lower-sugar options.

MAIN MEALS

Many foods that we do not consider to be sweet contain a surprisingly large amount of sugar. Some ready-made soups, stir-in sauces and ready meals can also be higher in sugar than you think.

When eating out or buying takeaways, watch out for dishes that are typically high in sugar, such as sweet and sour dishes, sweet chilli dishes and some curry sauces, as well as salads with dressings like salad cream, which can also be high in sugar.

Condiments and sauces such as ketchup can have as much as 23g of sugar in 100g – roughly half a teaspoon per serving. These foods are usually served in small quantities, but the sugar count can add up if eaten every day.

SNACKS

Healthier snack options are those without added sugar, such as fresh or tinned fruit (in juice, not syrup), unsalted mixed nuts, plain popcorn, rice cakes, crackers topped with lower-fat cheese or lower-sugar yoghurts.

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If you are not ready to give up your favourite flavours, you could start by having less. Instead of 2 biscuits in 1 sitting, try having 1. If your snack has 2 bars, have 1 and share the other, or save it for another day. If you're an "all-or-nothing" type person, you could find something to do to take your mind off food on some days of the week.

When shopping, look out for lower-sugar (and lower-fat) versions of your favourite snacks. Buy smaller packs, or skip the family bags and just go for the normal-sized one instead.

Here are some **lower-calorie substitutes** for popular snacks:

- cereal bars despite their healthy image, many cereal bars can be high in sugar and fat. Look out for bars that are lower in sugar, fat and salt.
- chocolate swap for a lower-calorie hot instant chocolate drink. You can also get chocolate with coffee and chocolate with malt varieties.
- biscuits swap for oatcakes, oat biscuits, or unsalted rice cakes, which also provide fibre.
- cakes swap for a plain currant bun, fruit scone, or malt loaf. If you add toppings or spreads, use them sparingly or choose lower-fat and lower-sugar varieties.

Dried fruit, such as raisins, dates and apricots, is high in sugar and can be bad for your dental health because it sticks to your teeth.

To prevent tooth decay, dried fruit is best enjoyed at mealtimes – as part of a dessert, for example – rather than as a snack.

DRINKS

Nearly a quarter of the added sugar in our diets comes from sugary drinks, such as fizzy drinks, sweetened juices, milkshakes and cordials.

A can of regular cola contains **7 teaspoons of sugar (35g).** Try swapping to water, sugar-free or no-added-sugar drinks or lower-fat milks.

If you take sugar in tea or coffee, gradually reduce the amount until you can cut it out altogether, or try swapping to sweeteners instead. Try some new flavours with herbal teas, or make your own with hot water and a slice of lemon or ginger. Like some fizzy drinks, fruit juice can be high in sugar. When juice is extracted from the whole fruit to make fruit juice, sugar is released, and **this can damage your teeth.**

Your combined total of drinks from fruit juice, vegetable juice and smoothies should not be more than 150ml a day – which is a small glass. For example, if you have 150ml of orange juice and 150ml smoothie in one day, you'll have exceeded the recommendation by 150ml. Fruit juices and smoothies do contain vitamins and minerals and can count towards your 5 A Day. However they can only ever count as a maximum of 1 portion of your 5 A Day. For example, if you have 2 glasses of fruit juice and a smoothie in 1 day, that still only counts as 1 portion.

You could try flavouring water with a slice of lemon, lime, or a splash of fruit juice. But watch out for the sugar content in squash or cordials with added sugar. Some can contain up to **3 teaspoons of sugar** in each glass.

DESSERT

Work out some ground rules. Do you need to have dessert every day? How about only having dessert after your evening meal, or only eating dessert on odd days of the month, or only on weekends, or only at restaurants?

Do you have to have chocolate, biscuits, and cake every day? If you had this type of sugary snack less often, would you actually enjoy it more?

Less sugary desserts include fruit – fresh, frozen, dried, or tinned, but choose those canned in juice rather than syrup – as well as lower-fat and lower-sugar rice pudding, and plain lower-fat yoghurt.

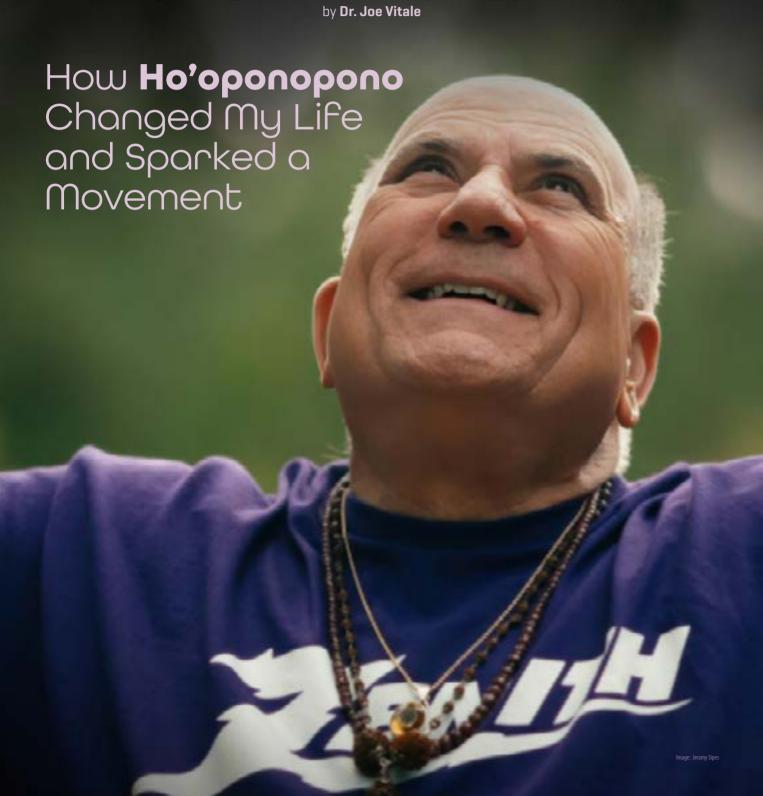
However, lower fat does not necessarily mean low sugar. Some lower-fat yoghurts can be sweetened with refined sugar, fruit juice concentrate, glucose, and fructose syrup.

If you're stuck between choosing 2 desserts at the supermarket, why not compare the labels on both packages and go for the one with the lower amount of sugar.

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The Story Behind ZERO LIMITS





t started with a whisper.

Not from a guru on a mountaintop, or a booming voice from the clouds—but from a simple Hawaiian healing practice called ho'oponopono. I had never heard of it before, but once I did, it refused to let go of me. That whisper turned into a full-blown transformation—one that led to a bestselling book (Zero Limits), several follow-up books, an award-winning movie, and most importantly, a global movement of healing, forgiveness, and miracles.

Let me tell you the story...

THE FIRST SHOCK: HEALING WITHOUT TOUCH

Back in the early 2000s, I stumbled across a story so wild, so unbelievable, I had to investigate it myself. It was about a therapist in Hawaii, Dr. Ihaleakala Hew Len, who had reportedly healed an entire ward of mentally ill criminals in a state hospital —without ever working with them in person.

Instead, he sat in his office, reviewed their files, and silently repeated a few phrases: "I love you. I'm sorry. Please forgive me. Thank you." That's it. No analysis. No deep probing. Just a pure act of self-responsibility and love.

It made no sense.

I was stunned. I had written and spoken about the Law of Attraction, personal power, and the mind-body connection—and of course I was in the famous movie The Secret which shook the planet awake - but this? This was something deeper. Something stranger. Something "impossible."

Was the story even true? I had to meet this odd therapist.

A PARTNERSHIP THAT CHANGED EVERYTHING

Meeting Dr. Hew Len was like sitting down with the ocean. Calm, vast, and mysterious. I liked him. He was a gentle, loveable grandfather type, with a mystic oddball quality about him. We became friends. We decided to write a book together to share his story and this method with the world. That book became **Zero Limits**.

And to my surprise—it exploded.

People didn't just read the book; they felt it. Something about the simplicity of ho'oponopono cut through the noise. It wasn't about blaming others or fixing the world. It was about cleaning your own inner data. Taking 100% responsibility for everything in your experience. Not just your own problems. Everything.

At first, that concept feels outrageous. But then it starts to feel...liberating. You mean I can shift my outer reality by cleaning my inner noise?

Yes.

THE RIPPLE EFFECTS: BOOKS, COACHING, AND MIRACLES

From Zero Limits came more books—At Zero, The Fifth Phrase, Zero Limits Living and others—each diving deeper into the mystery and magic of ho'oponopono. But people didn't want just a book. They wanted help living this.

That's when I launched Miracles Coaching.

Through this program, thousands have learned how to release limiting beliefs, rewrite their subconscious programming, and open to a life of freedom, peace, and ves—miracles.

I've heard stories of people healing their relationships, doubling their income, finding long-lost family members, recovering from illness, and awakening spiritually—just by doing the inner cleaning. Just by saying those four phrases with sincerity and presence. One client told me, "I started cleaning after reading your book, and within weeks, my estranged daughter called me out of the blue. We're rebuilding our relationship—and I'm in tears of gratitude." That's the power of **ho'oponopono.**

LIGHTS, CAMERA, CLEANING: ZERO LIMITS THE MOVIE

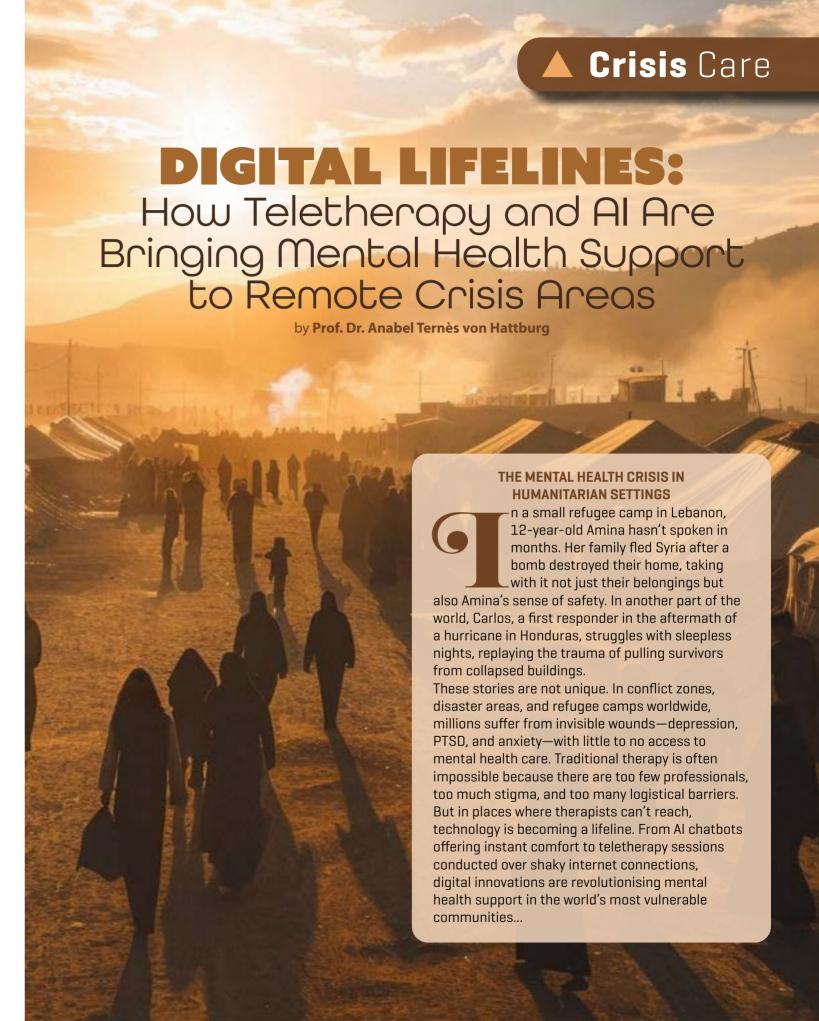
Years later, I realized the story was too big for books alone. The time had come to make a film. Not a documentary filled with charts and theories, but a cinematic experience—one that feels like transformation...

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