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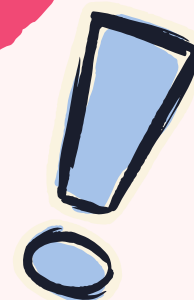


**TO
detoxify**



ROAD MAP

**Find
Alternatives**



**Reduce
Exposure
to ECDs**



MIND MAP

1. AWARENESS AND EDUCATION

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2. DETOX YOUR PERSONAL CARE ROUTINE

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3. DETOX YOUR HOME ENVIRONMENT

The environment around you plays a huge role in detoxing from EDCs

4. DETOX YOUR DIET

Your diet plays a big role in minimizing exposure to EDCs.

5. MIND YOUR HABITS

Incorporate these changes into your daily routine for long-term results.

6. EVALUATE AND ADJUST

After taking the steps to reduce exposure, it's important to evaluate how your body and lifestyle have shifted.



Step 1: Awareness and Education

Before making changes, it's important to understand what endocrine disruptors are and how they impact your health.

What Are Endocrine Disruptors?

Endocrine disruptors are chemicals that interfere with the body's hormone systems, leading to a range of health issues like hormonal imbalances, thyroid problems, and fertility challenges.

Common disruptors include:

Bisphenol A (BPA) – Found in plastics.

Phthalates – Found in personal care products and plastics.

Parabens – Found in skincare and makeup.

Triclosan – Found in antimicrobial products.

How to Spot Them

Personal Care Products: Look for ingredients like parabens, phthalates, and synthetic fragrances.

Household Products: Avoid those that list "fragrance," "BPA," or "PVC."

Food Packaging: BPA is often found in cans and plastic packaging. Look for BPA-free or glass alternatives.

Step 2: Detox Your Personal Care Routine

Switching out personal care products is a great first step. Overhaul the following categories:

Start with Small Changes

Shampoo & Conditioner:

- Choose natural, sulfate-free options. Brands like Acure or 100% Pure offer toxin-free products.

Body Wash & Soap:

Switch to organic, fragrance-free soaps.

Face Care:

Use products without parabens and phthalates. Opt for mineral-based foundations and natural skincare lines like Dr. Bronner's or Burt's Bees.

Deodorant:

Avoid aluminum-based antiperspirants and opt for natural deodorants like Native or Schmidt's.

Step 3: Detox Your Home Environment

The environment around you plays a huge role in detoxing from EDCs. Start with the following:

Air Quality

- **Natural Cleaning Products:**

Replace chemical cleaners with non-toxic options. Try brands like Seventh Generation or make your own using vinegar, baking soda, and essential oils.

- **Air Fresheners:**

Avoid synthetic air fresheners and candles. Opt for essential oil diffusers or beeswax candles.

- **Indoor Plants:**

Plants like spider plants, peace lilies, and snake plants purify the air.

Water

- Filter Your Water:
- Use a water filter that removes chlorine, fluoride, and other chemicals. Products like Brita or Berkey can be used for home filtration.

Plastics

- **Switch to Glass or Stainless Steel:**

Replace plastic containers with glass or stainless steel alternatives to store food and drinks.

- **Avoid Microwaving Plastic:**

- Heat food in glass containers rather than plastic to avoid leaching chemicals.

Step 4: Detox Your Diet

Your diet plays a big role in minimizing exposure to EDCs.

Reduce Processed Foods

- **Avoid Canned Foods:**

Most cans contain BPA in their linings. Opt for fresh or frozen produce.

Read Labels:

Be mindful of food packaging and choose BPA-free or glass containers when possible.

Go Organic

Dirty Dozen:

Buy organic produce for the 12 most pesticide-heavy fruits and vegetables, such as apples, strawberries, and spinach.

- **Choose Organic Meat:**

Look for hormone-free and antibiotic-free meats.

Healthy Fats

Use Natural Oils:

Replace processed vegetable oils with coconut oil, olive oil, or avocado oil for cooking.

Step 5: Mind Your Habits

Incorporate these changes into your daily routine for long-term results.

Clothing

- **Avoid Chemical Treatments:**

Stay away from fabrics treated with stain-resistant or flame-retardant chemicals. Choose natural fabrics like cotton, linen, or wool.

Cookware

Switch Out Non-Stick Pans:

Teflon-coated cookware contains chemicals that can leach into food. Opt for stainless steel, cast iron, or ceramic cookware instead.

Laundry

- **Use Non-Toxic Detergents:**

Choose laundry detergents free from synthetic fragrances, phthalates, and optical brighteners. Brands like Branch Basics or Molly's Suds are good choices.

Skip Dryer Sheets:

Use wool dryer balls instead, and add a few drops of essential oils for fragrance.

Step 6: Evaluate and Adjust

After taking the steps to reduce exposure, it's important to evaluate how your body and lifestyle have shifted.

Track Progress

Keep a journal or checklist of changes you've made. You can track how your health feels and what improvements you notice.

Make It Sustainable

- **Take One Step at a Time:**

Don't feel pressured to make all the changes at once. Focus on one area (e.g., personal care, home, diet) each month.

- **Reflect:**

After a few months, assess your lifestyle and adjust your detox strategy as needed.

Share the Journey

Encourage friends and family to join you in your detox efforts. Consider hosting a health workshop or community event to spread the word.

