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## PLANKDEMIC 2020

## CareHere cares about you during the quarantine.

Improve your core strength without leaving your house with CareHere's Plankdemic 2020 Challenge.

A strong core can reduce back pain. Add yoga or stretching to this beginner's challenge to build your core fitness. Always talk to your healthcare provider before starting a new exercise program.





**Standard plank.** Get into a push-up position with your body in a straight line from head to toes. Place your weight on your forearms and bring your hands together. Squeeze your abdominal and gluteal muscles. Keep your neck and spine long and look at your hands to keep your head aligned. Stop if you feel any pain or modify the movement by placing knees on the mat. Stretch when you are done.



**Walking plank.** Assume the plank position on the ground with weight on your elbows and forearms with your palms facing down. Lift yourself up one arm at a time and straighten your elbow until you are in the push-up position. Hold for five seconds before lowering your elbows down to the ground one at a time.



**Side plank.** Lie on your side with legs extended and stacked from hip to feet. The elbow is directly under your shoulder. Ensure your head is directly in line with your spine. Engage your abdominal muscles drawing your naval to your spine. Lift your hips and knees from the mat while exhaling. Your torso is straight in line without bending.

| SUNDAY  | MONDAY                          | TUESDAY                        | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY                   | SATURDAY                 |
|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 31<br>60 sec left<br>side plank<br>60 sec right<br>side plank | N                               | MAY 2020                       |            |  | 1<br>20 second plank     | 2<br>30 second plank     |
| 3<br>3 walking<br>planks                                      | 4<br>35 second<br>plank         | 5<br><b>40 second</b><br>plank | 6<br>REST  | 7 20 sec left<br>side plank<br>20 sec right<br>side plank  | 8<br>40 second<br>plank  | 9<br>45 second<br>plank  |
| 10<br>5 walking<br>planks                                     | 11<br><b>45</b> second<br>plank | 12<br>50 second<br>plank       | 13<br>REST | 14 35 sec left<br>side plank<br>35 sec right<br>side plank | 15<br>50 second<br>plank | 16<br>55 second<br>plank |
| 17<br>8 walking<br>planks                                     | 18<br>60 second<br>plank        | 19<br>60 second<br>plank       | 20<br>REST | 21 50 sec left<br>side plank<br>50 sec right<br>side plank | 22<br>70 second<br>plank | 23<br>75 second<br>plank |
| 24<br>10 walking<br>planks                                    | 25<br>80 second<br>plank        | 26<br>85 second<br>plank       | 27<br>REST | 28 60 sec left<br>side plank<br>60 sec right<br>side plank | 29<br>85 second<br>plank | 30<br>90 second<br>plank |