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ERGONOMIC ESSENTIALS FOR A TRANSFORMED WORKSPACE

Poorly equipped workspaces increase muscle fatigue and discomfort. In a hybrid work model, longer working hours and added screen time only increase the strain—and potentially the pain. An ergonomic setup can help. Simple changes improve posture and reduce muscle activity.



Here are best practices for comfortable computer work in any workspace.

ERGO SETUP 101

- Screen at eye level and an arm's length away (fist closed)
- Wrists straight, with no bending from side to side or up and down
- Wrists elevated (or at least not pressing on a hard surface) to relieve pressure and align your forearm
- Elbows at a right angle
- Knees at a right angle
- Lower back supported
- Feet flat on the floor

TIPS TO TRY IN YOUR WORKSPACE



- If using two screens, place the main screen directly in front and the other right next to it to avoid excessive neck movement.
- Align the H key of the keyboard to the middle of the body to sustain correct posture.
- To stabilize the pelvis, feet should rest firmly on the floor so that it rests on the sitting bones, with the back on a lumbar support. If a good office chair is not an option, add a lumbar cushion to existing chairs.

TIPS TO EQUIP YOUR WORKFORCE

- A mouse with advanced optical tracking and cursor speed switch results in less hand movement – four times less, according to <u>Logi Ergo</u> <u>Lab</u> research – reducing muscle and hand fatigue.
- Minimalist or reduced-width keyboards with no numpad make room for a mouse to be placed closer to the center of the body, reducing shoulder movement and any strain from reaching.
- One size does not fit all. To maximize the productivity opportunities of ergonomic mice and keyboards, look for models designed to accommodate left- and right-handed users, as well as multi-size options sculpted to fit a range of hand sizes.