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Supporting someone with PH

If you know someone who has pulmonary hypertension (PH), this is how you can help them...

- Don't assume someone is ok just because they **'look'** well. Not all disabilities are visible.
- Some days will be good, some days will be bad, and others will be somewhere in-between. Be understanding and patient with these changes.
- Show **encouragement** on the better days and **compassion** on the days that aren't so good.
- Remember that PH can have an impact on close friends and family members too.
- Don't judge. PH creates lots of challenges and people are affected in different ways – both physically and emotionally.
- Many people with PH have to **'budget' their energy carefully**.

 Be understanding of their need to plan ahead or decline invitations.
- Spend some time learning more about the condition and how it impacts people's lives by visiting www.phauk.org and www.phocusonlifestyle.org

These tips were compiled with the input of **people who live with PH**



"PH affects the people around you too"

Chris

Diagnosed with PH in 2005

