

## **Hot Flashes and Night Sweats**

<u>Avoid Triggers</u>: Alcohol, caffeine, spicy food, smoking and stress are common triggers. Keep a diary of your specific triggers to be able to avoid.

**Dress in Layers**: To be able to remove and add as needed

<u>Hydrate:</u> Have cold water with you at all times to drink but also to place on inner wrist when having a hot flash. You can also run cold water over inner wrist if you have access to a sink/ water fountain.

## Practice relaxation exercises such as deep breathing:

Breathing technique option: 1) Place tongue on roof of mouth

- 2) Breath in through your nose and out through pursed lips
- 3) Breath in for 3 seconds, hold for 4 seconds and out for 5 seconds

## Keep a fan with you

<u>For Sleep</u>: Keep your bedroom cool. Place a fan on your bedside table facing your head. Use a cooling pillow. Practice sleep hygiene.