# Weight-Wise Intervention

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# Today's Presentation

- Description of Weight-Wise
  - Intervention
  - Study design
- 2. Women of Weight-Wise
- 3. Main Outcomes
  - Process Data
  - Weight Loss
  - Blood Pressure and Cholesterol
- 4. Next Steps







# Weight-Wise Eligibility

#### Women who are:

- 40-64 years of age
- BMI of 25-45 inclusive
- Under-insured or uninsured
- Eligible for the Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program (BCCCP)
- Willing to participate in WISEWOMAN





- Moderate reduction in calories to promote 1 lb/week weight loss
- Increase in moderate intensity physical activity -- 150 minutes/week
- Dietary approach based on the DASH
   (Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension) Eating Plan
- Study Goal for weight loss phase = 10 lbs (4.5 kg)

# Weight Loss Program

- 16 weekly group sessions (2 hours each)
- Session Components:
  - Group sharing and problem-solving
  - Weight control topic nutrition, physical activity, or behavior change
  - Demonstration and practice opportunities (PA and Nutrition)
    - Move It (even-numbered sessions)
    - Taste It (odd-numbered sessions)
- New Leaf Manual and group leader guides

# Key Program Components



1. 16 weekly group sessions

Monitoring of weight (weekly)

 Motivational interviewing techniques and problemsolving focus

 Self-awareness through self-monitoring (food and physical activity) and feedback

# Key Program Components



- Social support through group interaction
- Goal-setting and action planning
- 7. Incentives for attendance and self-monitoring



# Weight-Wise Incentives

#### Weight-Wise Rewards:

- Your rewards are in "Wise Bucks" not real dollars!!!
- Earn 10 Wise Bucks(\$) each session
  - Showing up (Attendance) = \$2
  - o Completing your FPAD (food record) = \$1-4
    - -5-7 days = \$4
    - 3-4 days = \$2
    - -1-2 days = \$1
  - Recording your physical activity minutes = \$1-4
    - 5-7 days = \$4
    - 3-4 days = \$2
    - -1-2 days = \$1
- Earn \$10 in Bonus Points!
  - Completing food records for 6-7 days with calories counted = \$5
  - Getting 150+ minutes/week of physical activity = \$5
- Spend your Wise Bucks at the 6th, 11th, or 16th group session. See list of Rewards (and 'prices') on back.

# Weight-Wise Incentives

#### Rewards

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\$25	<ul> <li>Folding brush with mirror</li> <li>4-way measuring spoon</li> <li>Light-up whistle with key chain</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Lip dip</li><li>Magnetic clip</li><li>Shoe caddy</li></ul>
\$50	<ul><li>Measuring cup</li><li>Food storage container</li></ul>	<ul><li>Mesh backpack</li><li>T-shirt</li></ul>
\$75	<ul><li>Hand weights</li><li>Stick blender</li></ul>	<ul><li>Apron</li></ul>
\$100	<ul><li>Cookbook (2 choices)</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Physical Activity</li> <li>videotape</li> </ul>
\$200	<ul><li>George Foreman Grill</li><li>Bathroom scale</li></ul>	

# Participants Walking Away the Pounds!



A Move It Activity

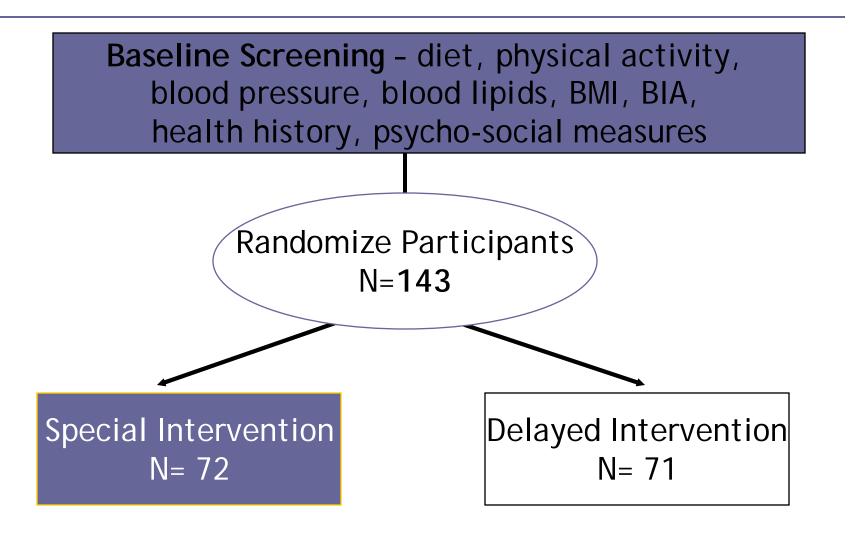
# Hip-Hop Dancing at My Age?



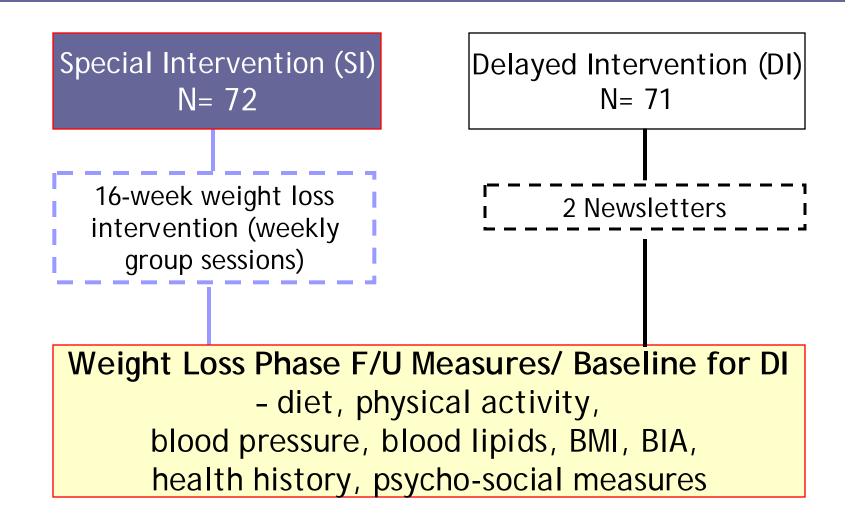
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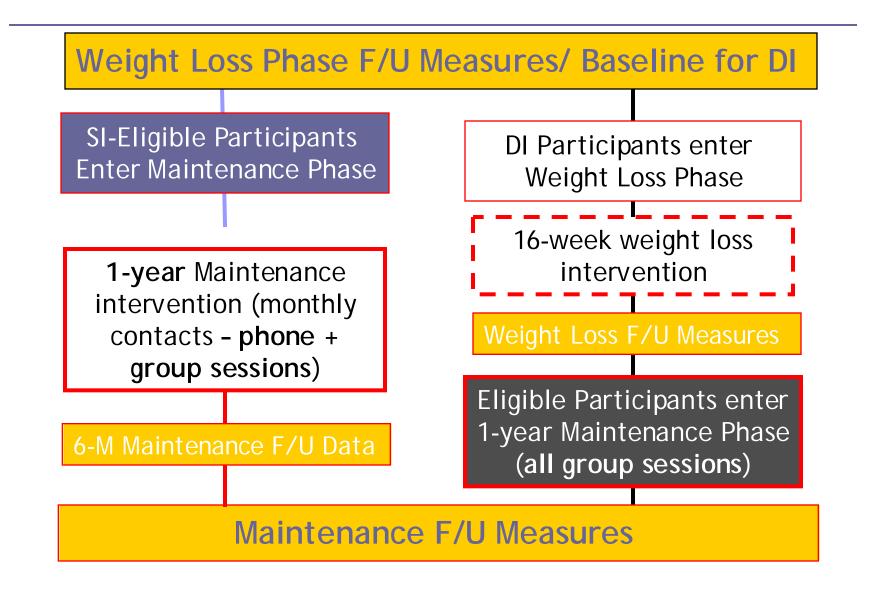
### Weight-Wise Study Flow Diagram



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# Weight-Wise Women (N=143)

Age, y	53
Ethnicity, %	
Non-Hispanic Black	39 %
Non-Hispanic White	60 %
Educational attainment, y	13
Employed	57%
Annual income < \$10,000	43%
Uninsured (health)	99%

Values are means unless otherwise indicated

#### Weight, Blood Cholesterol & Blood Pressure

Weight in Ibs	201	5 3 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5
ВМІ	35	1400/30
Blood Cholesterol, mg/dL		TE
Total	206	
HDL	53	
Systolic Blood Pressure	126	
Diastolic Blood Pressure	83	

N=143; Values are means unless otherwise indicated

# Risk Factors for CVD (N=143)

22 %	
50 %	
13 %	
36 %	
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	50 % 13 % 36 %

# Weight-Wise Main Outcomes

# Weight Loss Findings 1

 Assuming no change from baseline for participants who were missing a follow-up weight (intention-totreat analysis): N=143

Group	Mean Weight Loss (lb)	95% CI
Group 1 (SI)	8.2	6.4 – 9.9
Group 2 (DI)	+1.4	+3.2 - 0.4
Difference P < .0001	9.6	7.0 – 12.0

# Weight Loss Findings 2

□ If only participants with a follow-up weight are included: N=126

Group	Mean Weight Loss (lb)	95% CI	
Group 1 (SI)	9.4	7.4 – 11.2	
Group 2 (DI)	+1.7	+3.5 – 0.3	
Difference P < .0001	11.1	8.2 – 13.6	

#### Blood Pressure & Cholesterol\*

	Treatment (SI)	Control (DI)	Difference	P-Value
Systolic BP	-7.52	-0.73	-6.79	0.008
Diastolic BP	-4.92	-1.54	-3.38	0.031
HDL- cholesterol	1.11	-1.42	2.53	0.043
Total Cholesterol	-1.49	-4.90	3.42	0.516

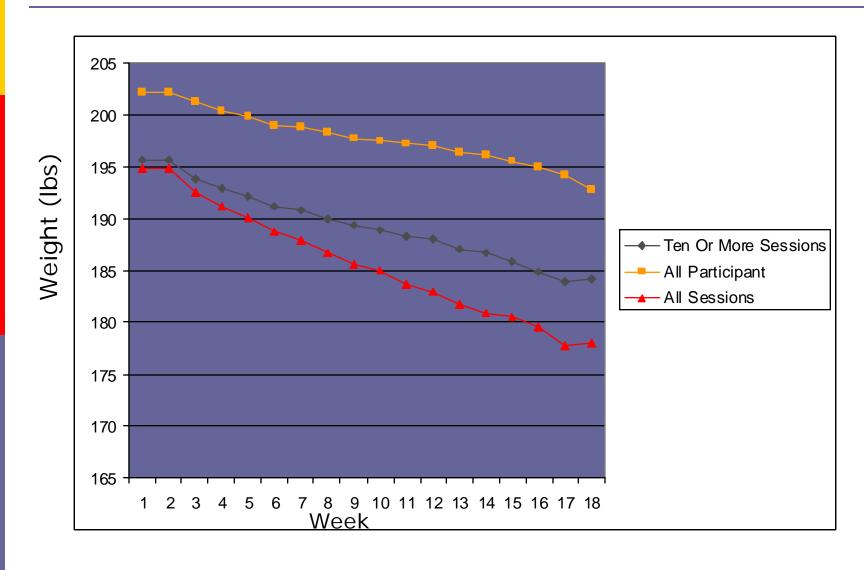
<sup>\*</sup> N=122; adjusted for baseline values and treatment group

# Process Data – Attendance, Physical Activity & Food Diaries

# Process Data Summary

- Mean number of sessions attended= 10 (SD = 6)
- Median = 14 sessions attended
- Average attendance of 65%
- 67% attended 8 or more sessions
- 79% of participants kept food records (4.7 days per week) and recorded PA minutes (173.6 minutes per week)

# Attendance and Weight Loss



# Study Summary

- Program participants lost on average 9.4 lbs (8.2 lbs. with imputation of missing weight data) or 4.8% of their body weight.
- Program participants also significantly reduced their BP, and increased HDL-cholesterol.
- 54% of intervention participants succeeded in losing at least 8 lbs. and were enrolled in a 12month maintenance program.
- There were no significant differences in weight loss by ethnicity
- Session attendance and family support for physical activity were independent predictors of weight loss.
- Follow-up rates were good (88%)

# Did Women of Weight-Wise Keep the Weight Off?



# Early Maintenance Results

- Of the 39 women in Group 1 who lost 8+ lbs ...
  - 36 completed the 1-year maintenance program and half (18) kept at least 10 pounds (or 5% initial body weight) off
- □ Of the 21 women in Group 2 who lost 8+ lbs ...
  - 18 completed the 1-year maintenance program and half (9) kept at least 10 pounds off
- Among the 126 women who completed Weight-Wise, 29% (n=36) kept 10+ pounds off after 1 year.

# Next Steps ...

#### **UNC-Center for Health Promotion**

 Post electronic version of the Leader's Guides on website

#### **Translational Research**

- CDC R-18 grant (2007-10)
- Weight-Wise in the 'real world'

Weight-Wise

Leader's Guides

# Questions?



Thank You!