WHERE ARE YOU IN THE **HEALTH-DISEASE CONTINUUM?**

HEALTH

SUBOPTIMAL HEALTH STATUS

DISEASE

SHS is a physical state between health and disease.1

SHS is also commonly referred to as medically unexplained symptoms (MUS) or functional somatic syndrome.^{2,3} The occurrence of these conditions are prevalent:



1 in 2



1 in 4 MUS^2



1in 10 functional somatic syndrome²

HEALTH

"Health is a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity." (WHO, 1946)6

Physical well-being leads to¹:

- · Better sleep quality
- · Improved energy level
- Strong muscles and bones
- · Healthy growth and development

Mental well-being leads to1:

- Improved quality of life
- Improved productivity
- Better coping mechanisms

Social well-being leads to1:

- Healthy relationships
- · Improved motivation
- · Reduced cognitive decline

DISEASE

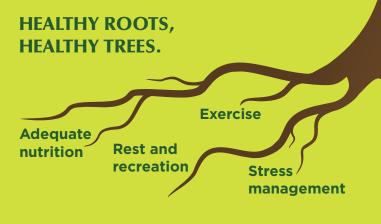
Unhealthy lifestyle could tip the balance in favour of disease.⁷⁻⁹

Raised blood pressure

Overweight/obesity

Hyperglycaemia and hyperlipidaemia

Depression



UNHEALTHY LIFESTYLE LEADS TO HEALTH PROBLEMS.

> **Physical** Unhealthy inactivity diet Tobacco use

Unhealthy sleep patterns

Tip the balance with healthy lifestyle behaviours and holistic interventions.

Alcohol

use

SHS, suboptimal health status.