Pelvic Floor & Breathing

How They Work Together for Healing & Strength



What is the Pelvic Floor & Why Does It Matter?

The pelvic floor is a group of muscles at the base of your core. It supports your bladder, bowel, and reproductive organs and plays a key role in posture, stability, and movement.

A healthy pelvic floor contracts and relaxes in sync with your breathing. When this connection is lost (due to pregnancy, surgery, stress, or injury), it can lead to weakness, tightness, bladder issues, pain, or discomfort.



How Breathing Affects Pelvic Floor Recovery – Part 1

Your breath + pelvic floor = one unit!

Inhale → Diaphragm & pelvic floor lower

Exhale → Diaphragm & pelvic floor lift.

If your breathing is shallow, your pelvic floor can't move freely, leading to tension & restriction



How Breathing Supports Pelvic Floor Function

Proper 360° breathing helps:

- Improves circulation & oxygen flow to healing tissues.
- Reduces pressure on the core & pelvic floor.
- Encorages better muscle coordination.
- Supports strengthening AND relaxation.

Step-by-Step: Connecting Your Breath & Pelvic Floor

STEP 1 Find a comfortable position (lying down or seated)

STEP 2 Place one hand on your ribs, the other on your lower belly

STEP 3 Inhale → Feel your ribs, belly expand, & pelvic floor gently relax

STEP 4 Exhale → Imagine gently lifting your pelvic floor while breathing out

STEP 5 Repeat slowly for 5-10 breaths, focusing on gentle movement, not force

Your Breath is a Powerful Tool – Keep Practicing!

Even small changes in breathing can make a big difference! The more you practice, the easier it becomes to connect with your pelvic floor.

Try this daily:

5-10 minutes of relaxed 360° breathing Focus on gentle movement, not squeezing or forcing

Apply this breathing when moving, stretching, or even lifting

If you'd like extra support, book a session for a personaliSed assessment & coaching

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