## MOVING FROM THE 50TH TO THE 75TH PERCENTILE



## WHAT CAUSED US TO LOOK INTO THIS?

## VALD RECENTLY PUBLISHED

NORMATIVE REPORTS ACCESSIBLE TO CLIENTS AND WE CAME TO AN INTRIGUING THOUGHT.

# IF SOMEONE FOUND THEMSELVES IN THE 75TH 

PERCENTILE AS AN ADULT AND MAINTAINED
THAT STRENGTH, WHERE WOULD THEY BE IN
THEIR LATTER (SENIOR) YEARS?

## DEFINITIONS ACCORDING TO THE VALD REPORT

## ADULT

20-50 years old

## SENIOR

Greater than 50 years old

## EXERCISE SELECTION

Each of the movement selected are single joint exercise movements, thus eliminating the idea that previous experience or expertise may play a role in altering the measurement.

## OUR METHODS FOR ANALYSIS

Utilizing VALDs interactive report we are easily able to distinguish where a specific measurement lands someone when comparing them to others within their cohort but also across others as well.

Again, our goal is to understand, if one scores within the 50th percentile (average) as an adult, and they maintain that strength, how much better off would they be as a senior?


Max Force (N)

## FEMALE - GRIP SQUEEZE

The charts show the percentile rankings if one maintains their strength as an adult. As an adult they are within the 50th percentile, but where does that place them if we fast forward to senior years?

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## ADULT: 75TH PERCENTILE

## RATE OF FORCE DEVELOPMENT

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## 50TH VS 75TH PERCENTILE - FEMALE

Max Force

| Movement | Adult 50th | Adult 75th | Difference |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grip Squeeze | 84th | 95 th | $11 \%$ |
| Knee <br> Extension | 82nd | 95 th | $13 \%$ |
| Knee <br> Flexion | 78th | 93 rd | $15 \%$ |
| Hip Abduction <br> - SL | 74th | 87th | $13 \%$ |
| Hip Abduction <br> - Supine | 74th | $19 \%$ |  |

Indicates the percentile ranking as a senior**

## 50TH VS 75TH PERCENTILE - FEMALE

Rate of Force Development

| Movement | Adult 50th | Adult 75th | Difference |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grip Squeeze | 68 th | 86 th | $18 \%$ |
| Knee <br> Extension | 80th | 93 rd | $13 \%$ |
| Knee <br> Flexion | 79th | 91 st | $12 \%$ |
| Hip Abduction <br> - SL | 66th | 84th | $18 \%$ |
| Hip Abduction <br> - Supine | 73 rd | 90 th | $17 \%$ |

Indicates the percentile ranking as a senior**

## 50TH VS 75TH PERCENTILE - MALE

Max Force

| Movement | Adult 50th | Adult 75th | Difference |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grip Squeeze | 84th | 95 th | $11 \%$ |
| Knee <br> Extension | 69th | 94 th | $25 \%$ |
| Knee <br> Flexion | 68th | 88 th | $20 \%$ |
| Hip Abduction <br> - SL | 73th | 87th | $14 \%$ |
| Hip Abduction <br> - Supine | 80th | $13 \%$ |  |

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## 50TH VS 75TH PERCENTILE - MALE

Rate of Force Development

| Movement | Adult 50th | Adult 75th | Difference |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grip Squeeze | 69th | 88 th | $19 \%$ |
| Knee <br> Extension | 71 st | 90 th | $19 \%$ |
| Knee <br> Flexion | 70 th | 87 th | $17 \%$ |
| Hip Abduction <br> - SL | 65th | 87 th | $22 \%$ |
| Hip Abduction <br> - Supine | 80th | $13 \%$ |  |

Indicates the percentile ranking as a senior**

## CONCLUSIONS

## MOVING FROM 50TH TO 75TH PERCENTILE AS AN ADULT

While progressing from the 50th percentile to the 75 th percentile represents a 25 -point difference, this disparity was not observed among seniors. However, the findings did reveal that improvements during adulthood would lead to an average 16-point difference in senior performance. We firmly believe that pursuing such improvements is essential as it increases the chances of better performance in later years. Additionally, it provides a cushion in case of events that may cause a significant loss of muscle, such as an extended hospitalization.

## CONCLUSIONS

## MAINTENANCE IS KEY

It is not necessary to be in the 99th percentile as an adult in order to experience substantial improvement in senior years. Even maintaining strength at the 50th percentile has been proven to be beneficial. However, preparing oneself for optimal success as a senior involves building the highest level of fitness capacity during adulthood.

## CONCLUSIONS

## SQUARING THE CURVE



The blue line represents maintenance of health, and in this specific case can be directly related to strength. Our goal is to maintain our strength throughout adulthood into the latter years so we can continue doing the things we love.

