## **Balloon Volleyball**



## Objective:

The goal of balloon volleyball is to promote physical activity, enhance mobility, balance, and coordination. The activity can be modified based on the needs of the elderly; instead of having them standing, chairs can be placed on the floor where participants can sit and play the game.

## **Preparations:**

- Create a designated area where participants can play balloon volleyball, for example, in a
  garden or a communal open space. Mark a playing area that serves as your "game field." You
  can use tape to create a line that functions as the net. Place the participants on each side of
  the "net."
- Use a balloon as "volleyball."
- Divide the participants into two teams if there are enough participants. If needed, the activity
  can be carried out with just one player and one person from the personnel.

## Explain the rules of the game to the participants:

- The goal is to keep the balloon in the air for as long as possible by hitting it over the net to the opponent's side.
- Participants can use the palm of their hand to hit the balloon.
- One way to start the game is for a participant to gently hit the balloon over the net from their side to get the game started. After that, the teams take turns hitting the ball over the net.
- Scoring: Each time the ball lands within the marked area on the opponent's side, the team earns a point. The first team to reach 10 points wins.

Time: Short or long Activity: Activating Fellowship: Together









About 30 minutes or more. Balloon Volleyball can be done in pairs or in a group.

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