



BREATHWORK

The Role of Breathwork in Holistic Wellness

How conscious breathing supports nervous system regulation and serves as a foundation for deeper energy work.

Breathwork is one of the most accessible and immediate tools for changing how you feel in your body. It requires no special equipment, no belief system, and no prior experience. Yet within a few minutes of guided, conscious breathing, your nervous system begins to shift — from fight-or-flight reactivity toward a state of regulation, presence, and calm.

“The breath is the bridge between the mind and the body. When you change how you breathe, you change your entire nervous system state.”

Understanding Your Nervous System

Your autonomic nervous system has two primary modes: the sympathetic branch (activation, alertness, stress response) and the parasympathetic branch (rest, digest, restore). Modern life keeps many of us stuck in sympathetic activation — not because we are in danger, but because our nervous systems have not had the chance to complete their stress cycles. Breathwork offers a direct, physiological pathway to shift this.

When you extend your exhale, for example, you activate the vagus nerve — the longest cranial nerve in the body — which signals safety to your entire system. This is not a metaphor. It is measurable physiology, and it is available to you right now.

How Breathwork Is Integrated at Blue Wave Energetics

At Blue Wave Energetics, breathwork is not treated as a standalone service. Instead, it is woven into both Spinal Energetics sessions and coaching conversations as a foundational tool. This is intentional: breath is the entry point. It settles the nervous system, creates presence, and prepares the body for whatever

comes next — whether that is somatic release, emotional processing, or a focused coaching conversation.

In a Spinal Energetics session, breath connection is the very first step of the 8-step protocol. Before any energy work begins, you are guided into conscious breathing to establish a baseline of safety and body awareness. In coaching, breathwork may be introduced when overwhelm surfaces, or as a tool to carry into daily life between sessions.

Simple Techniques You Can Try Today

Extended Exhale Breathing

Inhale for 4 counts, exhale for 6–8 counts. Repeat for 2–3 minutes. The longer exhale activates your parasympathetic nervous system and signals safety. This is excellent before sleep, during a stressful moment, or as a daily grounding practice.

Box Breathing

Inhale 4 counts, hold 4, exhale 4, hold 4. Repeat for 4 rounds. Used by military personnel and first responders for acute stress regulation. Creates a sense of structure and control when your mind feels scattered.

Three-Part Breath (Dirga Pranayama)

Breathe into the belly first, then the ribs, then the chest. Exhale in reverse. This full-body breath expands lung capacity and brings awareness to areas of tension or restriction. Many people discover they have been breathing only into their upper chest for years.

Why Breath Is the Foundation for Deeper Work

Whether you are exploring Reiki, Spinal Energetics, QHHT, or coaching, your capacity to be present in your body determines how deep the work can go. Breathwork builds that capacity. It teaches your nervous system that it is safe to slow down, to feel, and to allow. For many people, a regular breathwork practice is the single most impactful change they make — not because it is dramatic, but because it is consistent, accessible, and real.

Tommy integrates breathwork into every session because it meets you exactly where you are. Whether you are brand new to somatic work or have years of experience, your breath is always the first step home.

Ready to experience it for yourself?
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