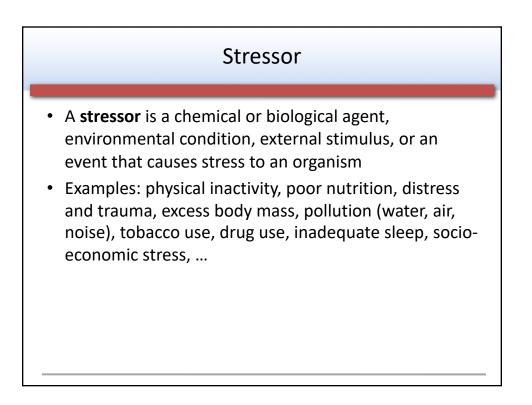


- **Signs** and **symptoms** are abnormalities that can indicate a potential medical condition
- Whereas a symptom is subjective, i.e., apparent only to the patient (e.g., back pain or fatigue), a sign is any objective evidence of a disease that can be observed by others (e.g., a skin rash or lump)



## Interventions Level I: Global/country ("public health") - Legislation, health-promoting initiatives, policy reports, recommendations, ... Level II: Community - Healthy lifestyle environments, access to healthy food, physical activity, smoke free environments, etc. - Community includes social networks Level III: Individual/family • - Participatory; interactions with all kinds of health professionals, etc. Level IV: System-specific interventions - Targeting a specific physiological system - Pharmacologic interventions, surgery, etc. - "Reactive" healthcare; stages C & D

