## **Emotional Detox through Breathing**

## Six Sound Breathing Qi Gong

The Six Healing Sounds of medical qigong is a practice that combines specific sounds with specialized movements. This form of qigong serves to balance and regulate the temperature of the body by releasing trapped cold or heat, creating healthy 'weather' inside.

Based on Chinese medicinal principles, this sitting qigong involves simple arm movements synchronized with the breath and meditation to relieve stress, cool the inner organs, and cultivate tranquility, energizing the body with regular practice.

The Sounds are easy to learn and joyful to practice. They are part of the ancient science of Traditional Chinese Medicine. For centuries they have been used for detoxifying, strengthening, and regenerating the internal organs. The healing of the internal organs has a positive effect both on physical and emotional health.

## The Sequence

This moving meditation is composed of six segments of six sounds. You can perform the sounds either sitting or standing. Each sound segment is practiced six times. Two to three repetitions are recommended for each sound. Begin by checking in with your body and the internal environment. Try not to judge whatever emotion(s) are most predominant. Just observe them.

## The Sounds

First Sound: SHUI

Similarity: like making the sound "shhhh"

Posture: open your eyes widely and look at a tree or anything green

Natural element: Wood

Organs: Liver- Gall Bladder

Emotion: Anger

Second Sound: HO

Similarity: like the end of a snore

Posture: hold the hands together on top of the head

Natural element: Fire

Organ: Heart

Emotion: Anxiety

Third Sound: HU

Similarity: like blowing on hot soup to cool it off

Posture: shape the mouth as needed or walk in the grass bear foot

Natural element: Earth

Organ: Spleen – Pancreas / Stomach

Emotion: Worry, over thinking

Fourth Sound: SZZ

Similarity: like making a hissing sound

Posture: raise both hands high over the head

Natural element: Metal

Organ: Lung

Emotion: Grief

Fifth Sound FU

Similarity: like gently saying "foo"

Posture: hold the knees close to the head

Natural element: Water

Organ: Kidney / Urinary Bladder

Emotion: Fear

Sixth Sound HSS

Similarity: like the sound of air slowly leaking out of a tire

Posture: Lie on the back and relax

Organ: Triple Warmer / Metabolism

This sound harmonizes the energy of the whole body

**Note:** This information was compiled from a number of sources the main ones being: "The six tunnels of breathing: a system of non verbal sounds" and from Qi Gong classes at Yo San University of Traditional Chinese Medicine in Marina del Rey, CA