

## 1: Nutrition Guidelines: Getting Started - Diet and Nutrition Center - [www.enganchecubano.com](http://www.enganchecubano.com)

*www.enganchecubano.com is a USDA-sponsored website that offers credible information to help you make healthful eating choices. Why shop at a farmers market? Watch this video to learn about the benefits of buying fresh, nutritious, delicious and locally grown foods.*

Planning what you eat and balancing your meals are important ways to manage your health. Eating healthy often means making changes in your current eating habits. Changing your eating habits will not cure COPD, but it can help you feel better. A registered dietitian can provide in-depth nutrition guidance, tailor this educational information to meet your needs, and help you create and follow a personal action plan. Food is the fuel your body needs to perform all activities, including breathing. Your body uses food for energy as part of a process called metabolism. During metabolism, food and oxygen are changed into energy and carbon dioxide. You use energy for all of your activities - from sleeping to exercising. Carbon dioxide is a waste product that leaves your body when you breathe out exhale. If there is too much carbon dioxide in your body, you might feel weak. Breathing requires more energy for people with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease COPD. The muscles used in breathing might require 10 times more calories than those of a person without COPD. Good nutrition helps the body fight infections. Chest infections are illnesses that often lead to hospitalization for people with COPD, so it is important to reduce your risk of infection by following a healthy diet. Maintain a healthy body weight. Ask your health care provider or registered dietitian what your "goal" weight should be and how many calories you should consume per day. If you are overweight, your heart and lungs have to work harder, making breathing more difficult. In addition, the extra weight might demand more oxygen. To achieve your ideal body weight, exercise regularly and limit your total daily calories. In contrast, being underweight might make you feel weak and tired, and might make you more likely to get an infection. People with COPD use more energy while breathing than the average person. It is important for you to consume enough calories to produce energy in order to prevent wasting or weakening of the diaphragm and other pulmonary muscles. Weigh yourself once or twice a week, unless your doctor recommends weighing yourself more often. If you are taking diuretics water pills or steroids, such as prednisone, you should weigh yourself daily since your weight might change. If you have an unexplained weight gain or loss 2 pounds in one day or 5 pounds in one week, contact your doctor. He or she might want to change your food or fluid intake to better manage your condition. Drink plenty of fluids. You should drink at least 6 to 8 glasses 8 ounces each glass of non-caffeinated beverages each day to keep mucus thin and easier to cough up. Limit caffeine contained in coffee; tea; several carbonated beverages such as cola and Mountain Dew; and chocolate as it might interfere with some of your medicines. Include high-fiber foods such as vegetables, fruits, cooked dried peas and beans legumes, whole-grain foods, bran, cereals, pasta, rice, and fresh fruit in your diet. Fiber is the indigestible part of plant food. Fiber helps move food along the digestive tract, better controls blood glucose levels, and might reduce the level of cholesterol in the blood. The goal for everyone is to consume 20 to 35 grams of fiber each day. An example of what to eat in one day to help you get enough fiber includes: Control the sodium salt in your diet. Eating too much salt causes the body to keep or retain too much water, causing breathing to be more difficult. In addition to removing the salt shaker from your table: Use herbs or no-salt spices to flavor your food. Before using a salt substitute check with your doctor. Salt substitutes might contain other ingredients that can be just as harmful as salt. Make sure you are getting enough calcium and Vitamin D to keep your bones healthy. Good sources of these nutrients are foods made from milk, cheese, yogurt, ice cream, and pudding and foods fortified with calcium and Vitamin D. You may need to take calcium and Vitamin D supplements. Maintaining a healthy weight and exercising will also help with keeping bones healthy. Wear your cannula while eating if continuous oxygen is prescribed. Since eating and digestion require energy, your body will need the oxygen. Avoid overeating and foods that cause gas or bloating. A full stomach or bloated abdomen might make breathing uncomfortable. Avoid the foods that cause gas or bloating. Some foods that cause gas for some people include: If you take diuretics water pills, you might also need to increase your potassium intake. Some foods high in potassium include oranges, bananas, potatoes, asparagus,

and tomatoes. If you are short of breath while eating or right after meals, try these tips: Clear your airways at least one hour before eating. Take small bites and chew your food slowly, breathing deeply while chewing. Try putting your utensils down between bites. Choose foods that are easy to chew. Try eating five or six small meals a day instead of three large meals. This will keep your stomach from filling up too much so your lungs have more room to expand. Try drinking liquids at the end of your meal. Drinking before or during the meal might make you feel full or bloated. Eat while sitting up to ease the pressure on your lungs. Eat a variety of foods from all the food groups to get the nutrients you need. The recommended number of servings per day are listed below. These guidelines are for a 2,000-calorie diet. To find out more about the amounts that are right for you, go to [www.dietaryguidelines.gov](http://www.dietaryguidelines.gov).

**Grains** Eat whole-grain cereals, breads, crackers, rice, or pasta every day. Eat 6 oz daily. Eat more dark green veggies like broccoli and more orange veggies like carrots. Eat more dry beans and peas like pinto beans and lentils. Eat a variety of Fresh fruit. Choose fresh, frozen, canned or dried fruit. Go easy on fruit juices. Eat 2 cups daily. Choose low-fat or fat-free milk, yogurt, and other milk products. Have 3 cups daily. Choose low-fat or lean meats and poultry. Bake it broil it, or grill it. Vary your protein routine-choose more fish, beans, peas, nuts, and seeds. If you are often too tired to eat later in the day, here are some guidelines: Choose foods that are easy to prepare. Save your energy for eating, otherwise you might be too tired to eat. Ask your family to help with meal preparations. Check to see if you are eligible to participate in your local Meals on Wheels program. Rest before eating so you can enjoy your meal. Try eating your main meal early in the day so you have enough energy to last you for the day.

**Tips for improving your appetite**

**General guidelines** Talk to your doctor. Sometimes, poor appetite is due to depression , which can be treated. Your appetite is likely to improve after depression is treated. Avoid non-nutritious beverages such as black coffee and tea. Try to eat more protein and fat, and less simple sugars. Eat small, frequent meals and snacks. Walk or participate in light activity to stimulate your appetite. Keep food visible and within easy reach.

**Meal guidelines** Drink beverages after a meal instead of before or during a meal so that you do not feel as full. Plan meals to include your favorite foods. Try eating the high-calorie foods in your meal first. Choose high-protein and high-calorie snacks. Keep non-perishable snacks visible and within easy reach.

### 2: Nutrition | CDC

*Get rid of the clutter when it comes to diets, and use basic good nutrition guidelines and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)'s MyPlate as your framework for healthy eating. Food Groups and.*

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### 3: Childhood Nutrition Facts | Healthy Schools | CDC

*Food and Nutrition. Food and nutrition play a crucial role in health promotion and chronic disease prevention. Every 5 years, HHS and USDA publish the Dietary Guidelines for Americans, the Nation's go-to source for nutrition advice.*

But by using these simple tips, you can cut through the confusion and learn how to create—and stick to—a tasty, varied, and nutritious diet that is as good for your mind as it is for your body. What is a healthy diet? The cornerstone of a healthy diet pattern should be to replace processed food with real food whenever possible. Eating food that is as close as possible to the way nature made it can make a huge difference to the way you think, look, and feel. The widest part at the bottom is for things that are most important. The foods at the narrow top are those that should be eaten sparingly, if at all. The fundamentals of healthy eating While some extreme diets may suggest otherwise, we all need a balance of protein, fat, carbohydrates, fiber, vitamins, and minerals in our diets to sustain a healthy body. Protein gives you the energy to get up and go—and keep going—while also supporting mood and cognitive function. Too much protein can be harmful to people with kidney disease, but the latest research suggests that many of us need more high-quality protein, especially as we age. Not all fat is the same. While bad fats can wreck your diet and increase your risk of certain diseases, good fats protect your brain and heart. In fact, healthy fats—such as omega-3s—are vital to your physical and emotional health. Including more healthy fat in your diet can help improve your mood, boost your well-being, and even trim your waistline. Eating foods high in dietary fiber grains, fruit, vegetables, nuts, and beans can help you stay regular and lower your risk for heart disease, stroke, and diabetes. It can also improve your skin and even help you to lose weight. As well as leading to osteoporosis, not getting enough calcium in your diet can also contribute to anxiety, depression, and sleep difficulties. But most should come from complex, unrefined carbs vegetables, whole grains, fruit rather than sugars and refined carbs. Cutting back on white bread, pastries, starches, and sugar can prevent rapid spikes in blood sugar, fluctuations in mood and energy, and a build-up of fat, especially around your waistline. A better approach is to make a few small changes at a time. Keeping your goals modest can help you achieve more in the long term without feeling deprived or overwhelmed by a major diet overhaul. Think of planning a healthy diet as a number of small, manageable steps—like adding a salad to your diet once a day. As your small changes become habit, you can continue to add more healthy choices. For example, choose just one of the following diet changes to start. Work on it for a few weeks, then add another and so on. To set yourself up for success, try to keep things simple. Instead of being overly concerned with counting calories, for example, think of your diet in terms of color, variety, and freshness. Focus on avoiding packaged and processed foods and opting for more fresh ingredients whenever possible. Prepare more of your own meals. Make the right changes. Replacing dangerous trans fats with healthy fats such as switching fried chicken for grilled salmon will make a positive difference to your health. Focus on how you feel after eating. This will help foster healthy new habits and tastes. The more junk food you eat, the more likely you are to feel uncomfortable, nauseous, or drained of energy. Drink plenty of water. Water helps flush our systems of waste products and toxins, yet many of us go through life dehydrated—causing tiredness, low energy, and headaches. In essence, it means eating only as much food as your body needs. You should feel satisfied at the end of a meal, but not stuffed. For many of us, moderation means eating less than we do now. Eating bacon for breakfast once a week, for example, could be considered moderation if you follow it with a healthy lunch and dinner—but not if you follow it with a box of donuts and a sausage pizza. Start by reducing portion sizes of unhealthy foods and not eating them as often. As you reduce your intake of unhealthy foods, you may find yourself craving them less or thinking of them as only occasional indulgences. Serving sizes have ballooned recently. At home, visual cues can help with portion sizes. Your serving of meat, fish, or chicken should be the size of a deck of cards and half a cup of mashed potato, rice, or pasta is about the size of a traditional light bulb. It actually takes a few minutes for your brain to tell your body that it has had enough food, so eat slowly and stop eating before you feel full. Eat with others whenever possible. Eating alone, especially in front of the TV or computer, often leads to mindless overeating. Limit snack foods in the home. Be careful about the foods you keep at hand. Many of us also turn

to food to relieve stress or cope with unpleasant emotions such as sadness, loneliness, or boredom. A healthy breakfast can jumpstart your metabolism, while eating small, healthy meals keeps your energy up all day. Avoid eating late at night. Try to eat dinner earlier and fast for hours until breakfast the next morning. Add more fruit and vegetables to your diet. Fruit and vegetables are low in calories and nutrient dense, which means they are packed with vitamins, minerals, antioxidants, and fiber. Focus on eating the recommended daily amount of at least five servings of fruit and vegetables and it will naturally fill you up and help you cut back on unhealthy foods. A serving is half a cup of raw fruit or veg or a small apple or banana, for example. Most of us need to double the amount we currently eat. To increase your intake: Add antioxidant-rich berries to your favorite breakfast cereal. Eat a medley of sweet fruit—“oranges, mangos, pineapple, grapes—“for dessert. Swap your usual rice or pasta side dish for a colorful salad. Instead of eating processed snack foods, snack on vegetables such as carrots, snow peas, or cherry tomatoes along with a spicy hummus dip or peanut butter. How to make vegetables tasty. While plain salads and steamed veggies can quickly become bland, there are plenty of ways to add taste to your vegetable dishes. Not only do brighter, deeper colored vegetables contain higher concentrations of vitamins, minerals and antioxidants, but they can vary the flavor and make meals more visually appealing. Add color using fresh or sundried tomatoes, glazed carrots or beets, roasted red cabbage wedges, yellow squash, or sweet, colorful peppers. Liven up salad greens. Branch out beyond lettuce. Kale, arugula, spinach, mustard greens, broccoli, and Chinese cabbage are all packed with nutrients. To add flavor to your salad greens, try drizzling with olive oil, adding a spicy dressing, or sprinkling with almond slices, chickpeas, a little bacon, parmesan, or goat cheese. Satisfy your sweet tooth. Naturally sweet vegetables—“such as carrots, beets, sweet potatoes, yams, onions, bell peppers, and squash—“add sweetness to your meals and reduce your cravings for added sugar. Add them to soups, stews, or pasta sauces for a satisfying sweet kick. Cook green beans, broccoli, Brussels sprouts, and asparagus in new ways. Instead of boiling or steaming these healthy sides, try grilling, roasting, or pan frying them with chili flakes, garlic, shallots, mushrooms, or onion. Or marinate in tangy lemon or lime before cooking. Plan quick and easy meals ahead. Healthy eating starts with great planning. You will have won half the healthy diet battle if you have a well-stocked kitchen, a stash of quick and easy recipes, and plenty of healthy snacks. Plan your meals by the week or even the month. One of the best ways to have a healthy diet is to prepare your own food and eat in regularly. Pick a few healthy recipes that you and your family like and build a meal schedule around them. If you have three or four meals planned per week and eat leftovers on the other nights, you will be much farther ahead than if you are eating out or having frozen dinners most nights. Shop the perimeter of the store for most of your groceries: fresh fruits and vegetables, fish and poultry, whole grain breads and dairy products, add a few things from the freezer section: frozen fruits and vegetables, and visit the aisles for spices, oils, and whole grains like rolled oats, brown rice, whole wheat pasta. Cook when you can. Try to cook one or both weekend days or on a weekday evening and make extra to freeze or set aside for another night. Cooking ahead saves time and money, and it is gratifying to know that you have a home cooked meal waiting to be eaten. Challenge yourself to come up with two or three dinners that can be put together without going to the store—“utilizing things in your pantry, freezer, and spice rack. A delicious dinner of whole grain pasta with a quick tomato sauce or a quick and easy black bean quesadilla on a whole wheat flour tortilla among endless other recipes could act as your go-to meal when you are just too busy to shop or cook.

### 4: Diet and Nutrition for Energy with COPD | Cleveland Clinic

*Developing good eating habits in toddlers is important since it lays the basis of forming long term healthy habits. Right nutrition is important for achieving optimal growth and development.*

Sign up now Nutrition for kids: Guidelines for a healthy diet You want your child to eat healthy foods, but do you know which nutrients are necessary and in what amounts? By Mayo Clinic Staff Introduction Nutrition for kids is based on the same principles as nutrition for adults. Everyone needs the same types of nutrients – such as vitamins, minerals, carbohydrates, protein and fat. Children, however, need different amounts of specific nutrients at different ages. Check out these nutrition basics for girls and boys at various ages, based on the latest Dietary Guidelines for Americans. Consider these nutrient-dense foods: Choose seafood, lean meat and poultry, eggs, beans, peas, soy products, and unsalted nuts and seeds. Encourage your child to eat a variety of fresh, canned, frozen or dried fruits – rather than fruit juice. Keep in mind that one-quarter cup of dried fruit counts as one cup-equivalent of fruit. When consumed in excess, dried fruits can contribute extra calories. Serve a variety of fresh, canned, frozen or dried vegetables. Aim to provide a variety of vegetables, including dark green, red and orange, beans and peas, starchy and others, each week. When selecting canned or frozen vegetables, look for options lower in sodium. Choose whole grains, such as whole-wheat bread, oatmeal, popcorn, quinoa, or brown or wild rice. Limit refined grains such as white bread, pasta and rice. Encourage your child to eat and drink fat-free or low-fat dairy products, such as milk, yogurt, cheese or fortified soy beverages. Naturally occurring sugars, such as those in fruit and milk, are not added sugars. Examples of added sugars include brown sugar, corn sweetener, corn syrup, honey and others. Saturated and trans fats. Limit saturated fats – fats that mainly come from animal sources of food, such as red meat, poultry and full-fat dairy products. Look for ways to replace saturated fats with vegetable and nut oils, which provide essential fatty acids and vitamin E. Healthier fats are also naturally present in olives, nuts, avocados and seafood. Limit trans fats by avoiding foods that contain partially hydrogenated oil. Ages 2 to 3: Daily guidelines for girls and boys Calories 1,, depending on growth and activity level Protein.

## 5: Promoting Good Nutrition | The Community Guide

*Guidelines for Good Nutrition Government agencies and scientific bodies around the world publish a variety of nutritional recommendations to promote good public health. These guidelines have changed over time to incorporate new scientific findings.*

Should guidelines differ for men and women? September, In the stereotypical Ozzie and Harriet family of the s, men ruled the roost while women ruled the roast. They stock the pantry, plan the menus, and fill the plates. But when it comes to optimal nutrition, there are differences between the sexes. Here is a quick summary of the similarities and differences in dietary guidelines for men and women. Calories Men and women are Sedentary people of both genders will keep their weight stable by taking in about 13 calories per pound of body weight each day. Moderate physical activity boosts this requirement to 16 calories a pound, and vigorous exercise calls for about 18 calories a pound. On average, a moderately active pound woman needs 2, calories a day; a pound guy with a similar exercise pattern needs 2, calories. And like women, men will lose weight only if they burn more calories than they take in. Protein Here, too, body size is the main difference between the needs of males and females. Despite all the hype about high-protein diets, our protein requirements are really quite modest – only about a third of a gram per pound of body weight. For a pound woman, that amounts to about 42 grams, for a pound man, 58 grams. As a rule of thumb, people of both sexes and any size will do fine with about 60 grams of protein a day. Most Americans get far more protein than they really need. In theory, that may not be wise. Like carbohydrates, protein provides 4 calories per gram, and excess calories from any source will be stored as body fat. Excess dietary protein increases calcium loss in the urine, perhaps raising the risk for osteoporosis "thin bones," more a worry for women and kidney stones a particular worry for men. Carbohydrates Carbs are gender-neutral. Most of those calories should come from the complex carbohydrates in high-fiber and unrefined foods, such as bran cereal and other whole-grain products, brown rice, beans and other legumes, and many fruits and vegetables. People who eat lots of these foods have higher HDL "good" cholesterol levels and a lower risk of obesity, diabetes, and heart disease. A good amount of soluble fiber in the diet lowers LDL "bad" cholesterol, and high-fiber diets reduce the risk of intestinal disorders ranging from constipation and diverticulosis to hemorrhoids. Some studies have shown that fiber may help reduce the risk of colon cancer. Men need more fiber than women: Simple sugars are another matter; they really are empty calories. The fats on the "bad" list are the same for men and women, but the fats on the "good" list are not. To achieve these goals, cut down on saturated fat from animal products meat and the skin of poultry, whole-fat dairy products, and certain vegetable foods – palm oil, palm kernel oil, cocoa butter, and coconut. Make up the difference by including more unsaturated fats in your diet. Monounsaturated fats are healthful for both men and women; olive oil is a good source. The two omega-3 fatty acids found in fish are highly desirable for both sexes. But the vegetable omega-3 is a different matter. The problem omega-3 is alpha-linolenic acid ALA. It is particularly abundant in canola oil and flaxseed oil. Like the marine omega-3s, ALA is good for the heart, but unlike fish oil, which may reduce the risk of prostate cancer, ALA may not be good for the prostate. It tested the effects of an ALA-enriched Mediterranean diet in patients with coronary artery disease. The Mediterranean diet differed from the standard Western diet in many respects, but because it contained a special canola oil margarine, the greatest difference was in its ALA content, which was nearly eight times higher in the protective diet. If a canola-rich Mediterranean diet seems exotic, consider that two Harvard studies found that American men and women whose diets were high in ALA had a lower risk of dying from cardiovascular disease than people with diets low in ALA. ALA also appears to protect against stroke. Although canola oil appears to be good for the cardiovascular system, two Harvard studies have raised concerns that ALA might be bad for the prostate. In , the Health Professionals Follow-up Study of 47, men published a major evaluation of dietary fat and prostate cancer. It found that saturated fat from animal sources such as red meat and whole-fat dairy products was linked to a 2. But the study also provided some disquieting news about ALA: Men who consumed the most ALA were 3. A year later, a second Harvard study added to the concern. Men with moderately high ALA blood levels were 3. The Harvard research from and prompted a number of similar

investigations around the world. Four have supported a link between ALA and prostate cancer; three have not. For men with heart disease or major cardiac risk factors, it may also be a good choice – but men with more reason to worry about prostate cancer should probably get their omega-3s from fish and their vegetable fats largely from olive oil. Alcohol There are gender differences here, too, but this time women face the dilemma. In both men and women, low doses of alcohol appear to reduce the risk of heart attacks and certain strokes. For both, larger amounts increase the risk of many ills, including liver disease, high blood pressure, behavioral problems, and premature death. Men who choose to drink and can do so responsibly may benefit from one to two drinks a day, counting 5 ounces of wine, 12 ounces of beer, or 1. But women face an extra risk: Even low doses of alcohol can raise their risk of breast cancer. So women who choose to drink might be wise to limit themselves to half as much as men. But for some, body size is responsible for slight differences. In any case, a healthful diet will provide plenty of vitamins for everyone, and a daily multivitamin will provide some insurance along with vitamin D that can be hard to get from diet alone. That may be true for mothers and other women, but it may not be so true for fathers and other men. Calcium is important for women; a high-calcium diet may help lower their risk of osteoporosis. Calcium may even be harmful for men, at least in large amounts. The worry is prostate cancer, and two Harvard studies have raised the alarm. In , the Health Professionals Follow-up Study found that a high consumption of calcium from food or supplements was linked to an increased risk of advanced prostate cancer. The risk was greatest in men who got more than 2, mg a day. More recently, the U. A study from the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle also found a link between calcium and advanced prostate cancer. Fortunately, he does not have to choose between his bones and his prostate. The solution is moderation. The Baltimore Longitudinal Study of Aging, for example, found no link between a moderate consumption of calcium about mg a day, two-thirds of the RDA and prostate cancer. In addition, a randomized clinical trial of calcium supplements of 1, mg a day found no effect on the prostate, but only men were in the calcium group, and the supplementation lasted just four years. Finally, the Harvard scientists speculate that a high consumption of vitamin D may offset the possible risks of calcium, so a daily multivitamin may also help. Women need more iron than men, because they lose iron with each menstrual period. After menopause, of course, the gap closes. The RDA of iron for premenopausal women is 18 mg a day, for men 8 mg. Men should avoid excess iron. In the presence of an abnormal gene, it can lead to harmful deposits in various organs hemochromatosis. Other minerals The tiny gender differences in minerals other than calcium and iron depend on body size. But while the dietary requirements for selenium fit this rule, men may benefit from supplements of about micrograms a day, a level about four times above the RDA. But there are differences; the fine print of nutrition is one more way that the sexes are opposite.

### 6: Healthy Eating: Simple Ways to Plan, Enjoy, and Stick to a Healthy Diet

*This forms a base for good nutrition and Source: Report of the Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee on the Dietary Guidelines for Americans, , page 3. 8.*

Developing good eating habits in toddlers is important since it lays the basis of forming long term healthy habits. Right nutrition is important for achieving optimal growth and development. Here are few guidelines to help you: Go easy on fats and opt for healthy oils: Fat is essential nutrient for your growing child as it provides essential fatty acids for his growing brain and body and energy to fuel his high level of activity. Use healthy oils, e. Soybean, canola and olive oil in your cooking but keep the quantity small for the whole family. Offer him 1 to 2 servings a week of DHA rich foods e. Reap the benefits of fruits and vegetables: Children learn to enjoy fruits and vegetables at young age. Serve a variety to maximize nutritional intake. Choose brightly colored red, yellow, orange and dark ones most of the time. Whole grains are intact and not processed. They contain fiber and other essential nutrients. Whole wheat chapatti, whole grain bread, brown rice, oats etc. Ensure your child drinks plenty of fluids. Milk and water remains the healthiest drink for your toddler. They need around ml of milk a day. Clean, boiled and cool water makes the best thirst quenchers. According to US Institute of Medicine, toddlers need about 1. Soft drinks, cordials and juice drinks are best avoided as: They are high in sugar and calories, but contain very little vitamin and minerals They can cause tooth decay and if consumed in excess can may your kid overweight. Limit salt and sugar intakes in your toddlers diet. A high sodium diet may increase the risk of high blood pressure. Too much sugary foods and drinks in the diet may lead to: Avoid the salt habit in your child by: Choosing plain water and milk instead of sweetened drinks Offer fresh fruits as snacks rather than sweet desserts Limiting intake of jams, chocolates, candies and ice-cream Not offering sweets and lollies as rewards for good behaviour About us.

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