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Weight Loss Tips/Maintaining Weight Loss

RECOMMENDATIONS

Weight loss of ½ a pound – 2 pounds per week is recommended

Make smart choices from every food group

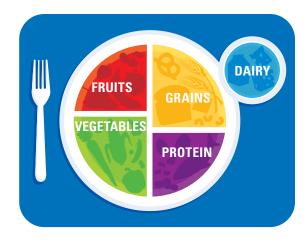
- Choose a wide variety of nutrient rich foods
- Shop at the four corners of the grocery store
 - Produce (seasonal fruits and vegetables)
 - Bakery (whole grain breads)
 - Dairy (low-fat or fat-free milk, yogurt and cheese)
 - Meat (lean protein, fish etc.)
- MyPlate what your plate should look like with each meal

Get the most nutrition from your diet

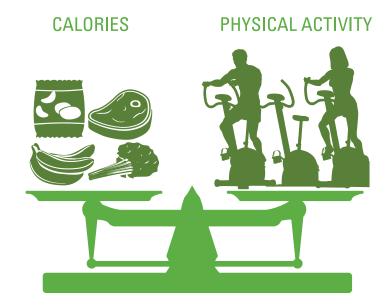
- Moderation not elimination
 - Eat smaller portions
 - Choose empty calories less often
 - Cut back on sugar
 - Less soda and desserts

Balance food and physical activity

- Weight loss: need to burn more calories than you consume
- Fitting more physical activity into your day
 - Physical activity: 60 minutes of moderatevigorous physical activity most days of the week (five days/week)
 - Two days of strength training (20 minutes) per week
- Move more during the day
 - Park further away, take the stairs and use a restroom on a different floor



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Intuitive Eating: Physical vs. Emotional Hunger

| PHYSICAL HUNGER | EMOTIONAL HUNGER |
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| Builds gradually | Develops suddenly |
| Body cues: growling stomach, headache, etc. | No body cues, only related to feelings |
| All food sounds good | Only certain foods sound good |
| Occurs several hours after a meal | Unrelated to time |
| Is satisfied by eating – feeling of satisfaction | Eating is rushed or mindless, persists despite fullness |
| Goes away when full | Not satisfied when stomach is full |

Mindful Eating

- Utilizing all of your senses and learning to be physically aware of hunger cues and satiety cues
 - Eat sitting down
 - Eat without distraction
 - Avoid eating from a package or box
 - Keep extra food away from the table
 - Use smaller plates
 - Plan meals and snacks ahead of time

Decrease Mindless Eating

- Think 20% less
- See all you eat
- Minimize your sizes
- Make overeating a hassle, not a habit
- Be the Official Gatekeeper (make the food related decisions in your house)
- Establish proper portion size

MAINTAINING WEIGHT LOSS

- Portion control do not restrict or eliminate any foods
- Engage in physical activity (about 60 minutes most days of the week)
- Maintaining a lower calorie, lower fat diet
- What else can I do?
 - Eat breakfast daily
 - Weigh yourself once per week
 - Watch less TV



