

**1.** Do you have any dietary preferences (such as eating vegetarian) or some restriction (such as a food allergy) that may limit your food choices?

- ① Yes [please mark list below], if no please skip to question 2.

### Preferences

Please indicate the dietary restriction(s) or preference(s) below. Mark all that apply to you.

- ① **a** - Strict Vegetarian or Vegan – will not eat any animal products such as meat, poultry, seafood, milk (milk products) or eggs.
- ① **b** - Lacto-ovo vegetarian – will not eat animal product such as meat, poultry or seafood but will eat eggs and milk products such as yogurt and cheese.
- ① **c** - Other vegetarian – will not eat most animal products but will eat some.
- ① **d** - Medical restriction – have a medical condition where my doctor has limited certain foods or has given me a special therapeutic diet.

**e** - List name of condition(s) here  
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- ① **f** - Milk intolerance – have a milk allergy and avoid many or all milk products.

The following questions are about your eating habits and the specific foods you eat. Before you answer these questions, it may be easier if you first write down everything you ate in the last 24 hours. Or, keep a food diary for three days, recording everything you eat and drink, noting the time of day and the specific amounts. These activities will prepare you to answer the following questions most accurately.

**2.** On most days, how many meals do you eat?

\_\_\_\_\_ per day    **2a.** Snacks? \_\_\_\_\_ per day

**3.** How many of those meals are usually prepared by you or someone in your household?

\_\_\_\_\_ per day

**4.** How many meals per **week** do you usually eat out? Count meals prepared by a commercial food service, restaurant, deli or fast food provider.

\_\_\_\_\_ per week

**5. Breakfast** - How often do you eat breakfast?

- ① everyday  
② most days  
③ some days  
④ rarely or never

**6. Skip meals** - How often do you skip a meal?

- ① everyday  
② most days  
③ some days  
④ rarely or never

**7. Night eating** - How often do you eat a meal or snack less than 2 hours before bedtime?

- ① everyday  
② most days  
③ some days  
④ rarely or never

**8. Appetite** – How do you rate your appetite or desire for food?

- ① very good  
② good  
③ not always good  
④ poor most of the time

**9. Satisfied** - How often do you stop eating after you feel you have eaten enough?

- ① always  
② most of the time  
③ some of the time  
④ rarely or never

**10. Binging**, is to lose control by eating a large amount of food over a short period of time. Do you ever binge?

- ① Yes, if no, skip to question 12.

**11.** How many times per week?

\_\_\_\_\_ per week

**12. Water** - Think about what you drink all during the day. How many cups (8 oz cup) of water or other non-caffienated beverages such as juice do you have on most days (do not count tea, coffee, beer or other alcoholic beverages)?

\_\_\_\_\_ per day

**13.** How many **caffeinated beverages** do you drink each day? Please include regular tea, coffee, espressos, lattes, or caffeinated soft drinks.

\_\_\_\_\_ per day

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**14. Alcohol** - Have you had any alcoholic beverages in the last 6 months?

① Yes [go to question 15], if no, skip to 16.

**15.** How many drinks of beer, wine or Liquor do you regularly have per **week**? (one drink is 3 to 5 oz. wine, 10 oz wine cooler, 12 oz beer or 1.5 oz liquor)

\_\_\_\_\_ drinks per week

**16. Milk preferences** - Which statement best describes the fat content of milk you would choose to drink?

- ① Only regular whole milk (about 4% fat)
- ② Both regular whole milk and low fat milk
- ③ Only low-fat milk (1 to 2 % fat)
- ④ Both low-fat and non-fat milk
- ⑤ Only non-fat milk (0.5% fat)
- ⑥ Do not drink dairy milk
- ⑦ Do not drink dairy milk but use fortified dairy alternates such as 1% soy, rice or almond milk

**17. Fat preferences** - When choosing foods for your meal, do you usually select, high-fat or low-fat foods? After reviewing the examples, select the most appropriate response.

**High-fat examples:** hamburgers, sausages, luncheon meat, marbled beef, sour cream, cheese, eggs, butter, pastry, ice cream, full-fat dairy products, chocolate, fried foods and many fast foods

**Low-fat examples:** lean meats, skinless poultry, fish, low-fat dairy products, fruit desserts, gelatin, vegetables, pasta, and legumes (peas and beans)

- ① choose high-fat foods nearly all the time
- ② choose high-fat foods most of the time
- ③ choose both high and low-fat foods equally as often
- ④ choose low-fat foods most of the time
- ⑤ choose low-fat foods all the time

**18. Added salt** - How often do you add salt to your food?

- ① not at all
- ② occasionally (2 – 3 times per week)
- ③ moderately (one meal per day)
- ④ quite often (nearly every meal)
- ⑤ Majority of the time (on most everything)

**19. Salty food** - How often do you eat salty foods (such as soy sauce, pickles, canned meats, salted nuts or potato or corn chips)?

- ① not at all
- ② occasionally
- ③ moderately
- ④ quite often
- ⑤ majority of the time

**20. Fiber preferences** How often do you choose to eat high-fiber foods such as whole wheat bread or pasta, high-fiber breakfast cereal and brown rice?

- ① rarely or never
- ② occasionally
- ③ sometimes
- ④ majority of the time
- ⑤ always

**21. Supplements** - Do you take vitamin pills such as vitamin C, calcium, or other nutrient supplements on a typical day?

① Yes, if no, skip to the next section.

**List supplements** – If you are taking supplements, list them below.

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## Physical Activity and Other

1. Judge your current activity level. Think about how active you are on most days. Consider the following definitions.

**Rest:** Sleeping or reclining.

**Very light activity:** Seated at a desk or standing activities, painting trades, driving, laboratory work, typing, sewing, ironing, cooking, playing cards, playing a musical instrument.

**Light activity:** Walking on a level surface at 2.5 to 3 mp, garage work, electrical trades, carpentry, restaurant trades, house cleaning, childcare, golf, sailing, or table tennis.

**Moderate activity:** Walking 3.5 to 4 mph, weeding and hoeing, carrying a load, cycling, tennis, or dancing.

**Heavy activity:** Walking with a load uphill, tree felling, heavy manual digging, field hockey, climbing, playing soccer or football.

Select the choice below that best describes your activity during a typical day?

- ① **Very Light:** 10 hours of rest and 14 hours of very light activity.
- ② **Light:** 10 hours of rest and 14 hours of only light activity.
- ③ **Moderately active:** 10 hours of rest and 14 hours of light and/or moderate activity
- ④ **Very active:** 10 of rest and 14 hours of moderate and heavy activity.
- ⑤ **Vigorously active:** 10 hours of rest and 14 hours of heavy activity.

2. - How much time do you spend in **moderate** (walking, easy cycling, swimming, active gardening, gym workouts) or **vigorous** (jogging, running, active sports, heavy labor) physical activity **each week**?

- ① I am **not** physically active on a regular basis.
- ② I do **moderate** activities for **less than 30** minutes at a time, on **some (1-3) days** of the week.
- ③ I do **moderate** activities for **less than 30** minutes at a time, on **most (4-7) days** of the week.
- ④ I do **moderate** activities for at least 30 minutes at a time, on **some (1-3) days** of the week.
- ⑤ I do **moderate** activities for at least 30 minutes at a time, on **most (4-7) days** of the week.
- ⑥ I do **vigorous** activities for 30 minutes or more at a time, on **at least 3 days** of the week.

3. **Exercise restrictions** – Has a doctor ever told you to restrict or limit physical activity or exercise?

- ① Yes, if no, skip to next question.

4. **Smoking** – Do you smoke cigarettes every day?

- ① yes [go to question 5], if no, skip to 6.

5. How many cigarettes do you smoke a day?  
\_\_\_\_\_ per day

6. **Other tobacco** – Do you use other tobacco?

- ① Yes; if no, skip to next question

## Readiness to Change

7. **Good nutrition and dietary habits** include eating a balanced diet from a variety of wholesome foods. This involves eating appropriate amounts from each food group and avoiding excess fat, alcohol or calories.

Mark the response below that best describes your current intentions to adopt **good nutrition and dietary habits**.

- ① I am not planning to adopt any new nutrition or dietary habits this year.
- ② I'm planning to start making improvements in my nutrition and dietary habits in the next six months.
- ③ I'm planning to start making improvements in my nutrition and dietary habits in the next 30 days.
- ④ I've adopted good nutrition and dietary habits and maintained them for less than 6 months.
- ⑤ I've adopted good nutrition and dietary habits and maintained them for more than 6 months.