Healthy Eating for Lifestyles Changes - Part 1	
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Class Topics	
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III. Carbohydrate Counting	
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What's in it for You?	
Going deeper on understanding carbohydrates and	

making eating choices will impact

✓ Your blood sugar management

✓ Helps manage or prevent complications of diabetes

✓ How you feel

#### Eating Carbohydrates Consistently

Eating a consistent amount of carbohydrates per meal/snack help with

- ✓ Promotes healthy blood sugars
- ✓ Helps manage weight
- ✓ Reduces hunger
- ✓ Helps manage or prevent complications of diabetes
- ✓ Eating similar amounts meal to meal (ex. Eating similar amounts of carbohydrates at dinner)

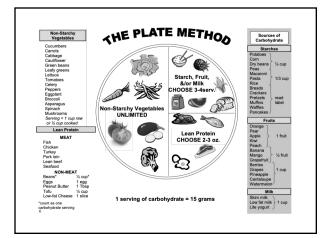
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# More on Eating a Consistent Amount of Carbohydrate

1 serving of carbohydrate = 15 grams of carbohydrate
(Carbohydrate amounts should be individualized.)

\* Consult a Registered Dietician for an individualized diet plan.

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#### **Detailed list: Fruits**



Fruits: 15 gr carb

I small apple, orange, pear,
4 fresh apricots
7 dried apricot halves
I small banana or ½ large banana
¼ cup blueberries or raspberries
I/3 of a whole cantalouge
I cup melon cubes/balls
I5 cherries
I5 grapes
2 plums
½ cup canned "light" fruit
I large kiwi
¼ cup fresh pineapple
⅓ of a whole mango or papaya
3 medium prunes
2 tbsp rasins
I/₄ cup strawberries
I/₄ cup watermelon cubes/balls

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#### Detailed lists: Breads

# Breads: 15 gr carb I slice of bread (any kind) 6 small breadsticks (4" long) ½ small bagel or ¼ deli bagel ½ English muffin ½ hot dog or hamburger bun I matzo ball I pancake or waffle (5") ½ pita bread (6") I small plain roll I tortilla (6") I/3 cup bread stuffing I small muffin



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#### Detailed list: Cereals & Pasta



½ cup bran cereal
½ cup granola
½ cup cooked cereal
¾ cup dry cereal (plain)
½ cup sweetened cereal
1¾ cup puffed cereal

Cereals: 15 gr carb

Pasta/Grains: 15 gr carb 1/3 cup cooked pasta 1/3 cup cooked rice ½ cup cooked grains

#### Detailed list: Beans/Starchy Vegetables

# Vegetables/Beans: 15 gr carb ½ cup cooked beans ½ cup baked beans ½ cup corn or green peas small baked potato

½ cup cooked potatoes 10 - 15 French fries 1/2 cup spaghetti sauce



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#### Detailed lists: Dairy

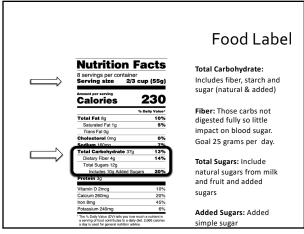


Milk/Yogurt: 15 gr carb 10 oz skim, 1%, 2% or whole milk ½ cup evaporated milk 1/3 cup dry milk powder I cup plain yogurt

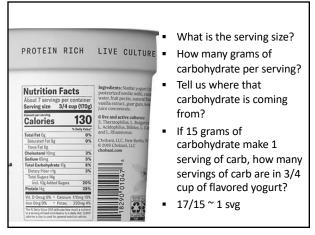
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# Resources for Carbohydrate Counting

- Handout "Carbohydrate Food List"
- Online Food tracker
  - FatSecret,
  - Loselt
  - Myfitness Pal
- Look at *Total Carbohydrate* on food label
  - May consider fiber



#### Food Label: Mom's Raisin Bran **Nutrition Facts** What is the serving size? Serving size 1 cup (55g) How many grams of carbohydrate per serving? Calories 170 Tell us where that carbohydrate Total Fat 1g is coming from? Saturated Fat 0g Trans Fat 0g If 15 grams of carbohydrate Polyunsaturated Fat 0g Monounsaturated Fat 0g make 1 serving of carb, how Cholesterol Omg many servings of carb are in 1 Sodium 240mg Total Carbohydrate 43g cup of cereal? Dietary Fiber 8g Total Sugars 15g ■ 43/15=2.9 or 3 svgs 15% Incl. 8g Added Sugars Protein 5g



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<u>Calories</u>	160 <b>F</b> a	t Calor	ies 120
		% Daily	Value
<b>Total Fat</b>			20%
Saturat	ed Fat	7g	35%
Trans Fa	at Og		
Cholester	rol Omg		0%
Sodium 11	l0mg		5%
Potassiui	<b>n</b> 65mg		2%
Total Car	bohydr	ate 18g	6%
Dietary	Fiber 4	q	16%
Sugars	Da		
Sugar A		12a	
Protein 2			3%
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Calcium	0% •		2%
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### Breakfast example #1 - answers

- 1 cup cooked oatmeal = 2
- ¾ cup fresh blueberries = 1
- 1 packet artificial sugar = 0
- 1/4 cup walnuts = 0
- 1 cup skim milk = ~1



~4 Total Carbohydrate Servings

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#### Breakfast example #2 - answers

- 2 eggs = 0
- 1 turkey sausage patty = 0
- 2 slices toast = 2
- 1 tablespoon margarine = 0
- 1 small banana = 1
- 1 cup orange juice= 2

**5 Total Carbohydrate Servings** 



#### Lunch example #1 - answers

- 1 cup tomato soup = 1
- Grilled ham & cheese sandwich (2 slices bread, 2 slices cheese, 2 slices ham, 2 tsp. margarine) = 2
- ½ cup coleslaw (made with cabbage, carrots, green peppers, mayo, and vinegar) = 0
- 1 cup melon = 1
- 1 large oatmeal-raisin cookie = 1-2
- Tea with Splenda = 0



**5-6 Total Carbohydrate Servings** 

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#### Lunch Example #2 - answers

- Hamburger or veggie patty = 0
- 1 whole wheat hamburger bun = 2
- 1 cup raw veggies = 0
- 1 container light yogurt = 1
- Water = 0



**3 Total Carbohydrate Servings** 

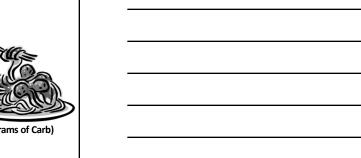
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#### Dinner example #1 - answers

- 5-oz. salmon filet, grilled with spices = 0
- 1 medium (6 oz.) baked sweet potato with 2 teaspoon margarine = 2
- 10 stalks of asparagus pan sautéed in canola oil = 0
- 1 medium fresh peach with ½ cup ice cream and 1 tablespoon chopped pecans = 2
- Water = 0
- **4 Total Carbohydrate Servings**

# Dinner Example #2 - answers

- 1 cup pasta = 3
- 1/2 cup spaghetti sauce = 0 or 1 if store-bought
- 3 meatballs = 0
- 2 tablespoons parmesan cheese = 0
- Green salad = 0
- 1 breadstick = 1
- 1 Lindt dark chocolate truffle = 0 (3 =15gm) (5 grams of Carb)
- Iced Tea = 0
- 4-5 Total Carbohydrate Servings



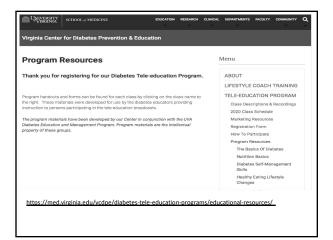
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#### **Class Topics**

- I. Reducing Post-meal Glucose Spikes
- II. SMART Goals

#### After Meal Glucose Levels

Measurement of blood glucose level after eating

#### Goal is < 140-180 - 2 hours after a meal

Why is it important?

- Blood glucose variability has been linked to heart disease
- 2-hr high blood glucose may contribute to coronary heart disease

Belli, et al, 2023. Acta diabetologica

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#### After Meal Elevated Glucose

#### **❖ Short-term Effects**

- Fatigue
- Impaired concentration
- Moodiness
- Increased hunger
- Elevated A1C

#### ❖ Long-term Effects

It is an independent risk factor for cardiovascular disease.

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#### Minimize Post-Meal Glucose Rise

- A. Timing of insulin
- B. Activity after a meal
- C. Timing of largest meal
- D. Eating carbs last
- E. Resistant starch
- F. Adding vinegar
- **G.** Glycemic index/load

Scheiner, G. & Perry, ML (2022). Here's looking at you, postprandial! Strategies for managing postmeal glucose levels. Lifescar Diabetes Institute. https://www.lifescandiabetesinstitute.com/

# Timing of Insulin



Discuss timing of insulin with your healthcare provider

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# Activity After a Meal



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# Eating the largest meal in the morning and smaller meal in 250 the evening decreased the glucose response throughout the day. Discrete B Diet B Diet

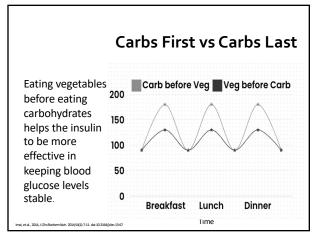
#### **Sequence of Macronutrients**

Having a small portion of protein or fat before a meal induces the release of certain hormones that slow gastric emptying and stimulate insulin secretion before carbohydrates are eaten.

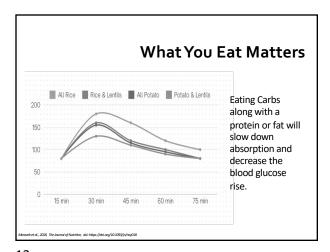
This allows the body to use the meal insulin more efficiently and avoids high glucose spikes.



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#### **Choose Low Glycemic Index**

STOW (Low)	Average	Fast (High)
Pasta	Fruit	Breads/Crackers
Legumes	Juice	Salty Snacks
Salad Veggies	Pizza	Potatoes
Dairy	Soup	Rice
Chocolate	Cake	Cereals
		Sugary Candies

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#### **Resistant starch**

 Carbohydrates have the most substantial influence on blood sugar. Cooling rice after cooking causes the starch to become less absorbable and reduces the carbohydrate available for digestion.

Post-meal glucose response after test meals

	Fresh Rice	Cooled Rice
Max Glucose	198 mg/dL (185-210	178 mg/dL (169-196
	mg/dL)	mg/dL)
Max Glucose	70 mg/dL (45-84	48 mg/dL (27-64
Increase	mg/dL)	mg/dL)

Stroopi, 5 et al: Nutrition and Diabetes 2022 12:21 doi.org/10.1038/s41387-022-00196

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# Addition of Vinegar



 Studies have shown that adding a small amount of vinegar\* to food can blunt the postmeal glucose rise. Lower PH foods and drinks delay postmeal glucose rise.

\*Avoid if you have heartburn

heiner & Perry, 2022. Ufescon - Diabetes institute www.lifescandiabetesinstitute.

Set Your Goal	
Create your SMART Goal	
<b>3</b> SPECIFIC: Give the who, what, when, where, and how of your goal	
7 MEASURABLE: Establish set criteria for measuring your progress	
ATTAINABLE: Instead of vowing to cook a healthy meal seven nights a week, shoot for one or two more than what you currently	
REALISTIC: Make sure your goal is something that you are willing and able to work toward	
7 TIMELY: Set a deadline for when you will have achieved your goal	
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Set Your Goal	
Choose one of these ideas or write down 1 or 2 things you will do for the next few weeks. Remember that little changes in your eating can make a big difference in your blood sugar.	
☐ I will go for a walk after dinner 3 nights per week x 2 weeks.	
☐ I will eat my largest meal in the morning and a small meal for dinner x 2 weeks.	
☐ I will eat the vegetables before carbohydrates for 2 meals daily.	
<ul> <li>I will decrease my carbohydrate portions and monitor the effect on my glucose.</li> </ul>	
□ Other	
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THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING	
TODAY'S SESSION	
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1-Minute Survey	

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2XZSYRV

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