Strengthening Your Tool Box for Long-term Success



Important Nutrition Habits After Weight Loss Surgery Regional Bariatric Assessment & Treatment Centre of Windsor

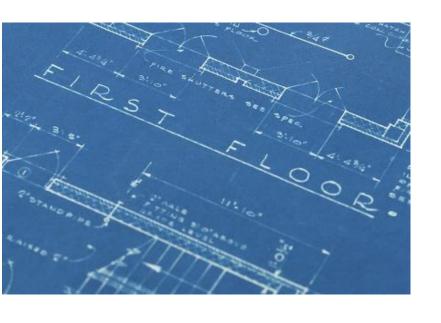


What healthy habits do you rely on as a strategy for success after bariatric sx?





#1 The Bariatric Blue Print – The Diet Guidelines



- Do you still eat breakfast
 within 1 hour of waking and
 then eat every 3-4 hours?
- Are you mindful to balance your meals with 3-4 food groups?
- Do you consistently take
 your vitamin and mineral
 supplements?



The Bariatric Blue Print – Diet Guidelines

Do you still avoid:

- Foods that are rich in sugar and fat?
- Large portions?
- Carbonated beverages? Straws? Gum chewing?
- Alcohol?
- Excessive caffeine?
- Eating frequently at restaurants?
- Fast foods?
- Drinking during solid meal time?

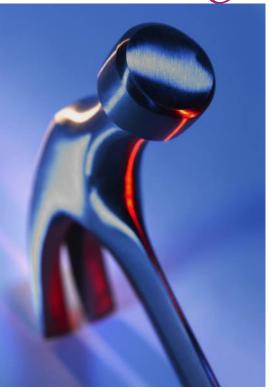


Are you focused on getting enough protein?





#2 Hammer Time Strength of a Protein Foundation



- Are you consistently protein focused?
- Slower digestion = Increased satiety
- Goal: 60-80g per day
- Refuel with Protein every 3-4 hours; eat on a schedule (prevent low BG)
- Aim for a balanced diet with ~
 15-20g protein per meal





#2 Hammer Time Satiety Strength - Protein at Meals















#2 Hammer Time Satiety Strength - Protein at Snacks

Aim to pair a Carbohydrate-rich food with **5-7 g protein- at each snack, for example:**

Protein	Carbohydrate
Mozzarella cheese string (1 oz.)	Small Fruit (e.g. Apple)
½ cup low-fat low-sugar Yogurt	1/4 cup Cereal
7 Almonds	Banana
1 Tbsp. Peanut butter	1 slice Toast



Are you watching your overall calories?





#3 The Level – Balance Your Caloric Budget



Calories In versus Calories Out



Overestimating your Calorie Needs may lead to weight gain: **Lifelong Low-energy Intake** is needed to maintain weight loss ~ 1200 – 1500 calories/ day





#3 The Level – Balance Your Calories In

Some food items may be misleading. Some common calorie dense foods:

- Nuts, seeds & nut butters, hummus
- Olives & avocado
- oils & spreads
- high-fat condiments (mayo, gravy)
- Chocolate or ice cream
- high-calorie beverages & alcohol
- Items with added sugars

Amount		% DV	
Calories 140			
Fat 3.5 g	5	%	
Saturated 0.5 g + Trans 0 g	3	%	
Cholesterol 0 mg	0	%	
Sodium 90 mg	4	%	
Potassium 105 mg	3	%	
Carbohydrate 21 g	7	%	
Fibre 4 g	16	%	
Sugars 6 g			
Protein 6 g √			
Vitamin A	0	%	
Vitamin C	0	%	
Calcium	4	%	
Iron	10	%	





#3 The Level – Balance Your Calories In



Large Iced Capp: 470 calories 62 g sugar, 20 g fat



Regular
Can of Pop
(140 cal;
40 g added sugar)



6 oz dry wine (145 cal)



XL Tim's Triple Triple 450 calories



12 oz beer (150 cal)



1.5 oz liquor (97 cal)

Limit Your Liquid Calories

- These do not provide the same fullness cues as solid food
- Aim for 2 liter minimum daily; 50% of low or no calorie fluids should be plain water





#3 The Level – Balance Your Calories Out

Daily exercise: Insurance Policy against weight gain

- More physical activity is associated with better post-op weight loss maintenance
- Watch overdoing intensity; instead aim for increased amount
- Incorporate Resistance Training to preserve precious lean body mass
- Other benefits of daily exercise: boosts energy level & reduces stress



Are you paying attention to good portion control?







#4 Measure Twice; Cut Once Keep Portions in Check

- Portions may grow over time
- Stay on track using Tools of the trade







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This helps support your Mindful Eating Habits

The free popcorn Study

270 calories, 5 cups

20 Years Ago



Similar stories about plate
 size, package size, bottomless soup bowl

What are you doing to create a social environment to support healthy eating?







#5 The Clamp –

Meet High Pressure Days Head On

Use the power of Forecasting, Pre-planning & Preparing Food in Advance

- Forecast your week to predict hectic days
- Generate a weekly menu, then from this a grocery list
- Try one new low carb, protein-rich recipe per week
- Use spare time to prepare meals ahead & freeze; pack your pantry
- Always have a back-up plan
- Avoid "Grab-in-go" & drive thru





#6 Tape Measure Measure Your Success

Reinforce your healthy lifestyle by keeping yourself accountable. Keep track of your good intensions for making positive change:

- Record your progress (weekly weight check)
- Journaling Food intake on Web-based or smart phonebased applications) for calories and protein intake, track MVI dose adherence
- Keep future clinic appts & lab checks



#7 Screwdriver Tighten Your Willpower

- Willpower is strongest in the morning
- You may deplete willpower as you use it, so prioritize your daily health goals
- Set yourself up with a positive environment that will allow good choices to be made easily
- Plan ahead, by rehearsing good decisions the willpower center of the brain (decision making part) can be tapped into, instead of relying on the primitive brain that is gratification-seeking
- In a weak moment, remember to re-group



#7 Screwdriver Tighten Your Willpower

Habits that may lead to weight gain by lowering your inhibitions, thus reducing your willpower:

- TV Watching
- Alcohol intake
- Not enough sleep
- Stress
- Poor Nutrition stabilize blood sugar



#8 The Glue –

The Positive Supports in Your Life



- Tap into your supports.
- Different support people may be helpful with different areas of support
- Book individual RD or SW visits if you're off track
- Access WLSG or community resources that assist you with healthy eating and fitness initiatives
- Try a new recipe or seek out helpful tips



Nutrition Resource Link

www.hdgh.org

