

Nutrition intervention can **help improve** treatment tolerance and completion rates.<sup>12</sup>

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Side effects from immunotherapy, chemotherapy and radiation therapy can make it difficult to get the NUTRITION YOU NEED. Getting the **right nutrition** before, during, and after your treatment can help give your body the strength it needs.

However, **side effects of cancer treatment** such as oral discomfort, taste changes and diminished appetite can make it difficult to get the nutrition you need.









## FOR NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT

#### Diminished Appetite/ Fatigue/Weakness

- Eat smaller amounts more often. Consume protein-rich foods, such as beans, chicken, yogurt and eggs, when your appetite is the strongest.
- Keep high-calorie, highprotein snacks handy. Drink an oral nutritional supplement or protein-rich smoothie if you don't feel like eating.

#### Nausea/Vomiting

- Stick with smaller, blander meals or mini-meals and eat them more frequently. Eat dry foods, such as toast or crackers, and avoid foods that are greasy, spicy or have strong odors.
- Sip on cold liquids to stay hydrated.

#### Diarrhea

- Avoid greasy, fried, spicy and very sweet foods. Try including foods with soluble fiber, such as bananas or oatmeal.
- Drink plenty of mild, clear liquids and limit dairy or use lactose-free products.

#### Constipation

- Drink plenty of water and gradually add more fiber-rich foods to your diet, such as fruits, vegetables, beans, nuts, seeds and whole grains.
- Be as active as possible; even walking for short periods throughout the day may be helpful.

#### Sore Mouth/Mucositis

- Choose soft and moist foods that are easy to chew, such as scrambled eggs, puddings or cream soups, or consume an oral nutritional supplement or protein-rich smoothie made with non-acidic fruit.
- Consume cold or room temperature foods instead of hot foods, which can be more painful on your sore mouth.

#### **Unintended Weight Loss**

- Eat your largest meal when you feel your best and consume mini-meals more frequently throughout the day
- Keep high-protein, highcalorie snacks handy. Drink oral nutritional supplements or highcalorie, protein-rich smoothies when you aren't up for a meal.

#### **Taste and Smell Changes**

- Choose foods that look and smell good to you. If red meat tastes bitter, try substituting another protein source, such as chicken, fish or eggs.
- Try using plastic utensils and glass cookware to help reduce metallic tastes. Flavors such as mint, lemon or orange can also help with bitter or metallic tastes.









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# Add the **right nutrition** to your support system.

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