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## **FOOD PANTRY**

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#### WHAT IS MY PLATE?

A nutrition guide, developed by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), that offers ideas and tips for creating a healthier eating style and explains how to portion the plate to include the food groups below:



#### **FRUIT**

2 CUPS DAILY FOCUS ON WHOLE FRUITS

### VEGETABLES 2 1/2 CUPS DAILY

**VARY YOUR VEGGIES** 





#### **GRAINS**

6 OUNCES DAILY
MAKE HALF YOUR
GRAINS WHOLE GRAINS

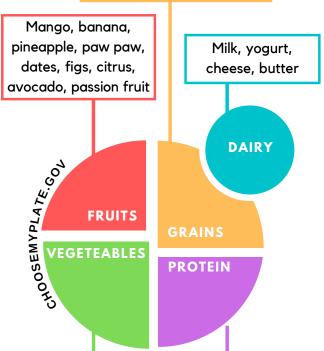
#### **PROTEIN**

6 OUNCES DAILY
VARY YOUR PROTEIN
ROUTINE





Rice, cornmeal flour, white corn flour, farina, sorghum, teff, finger millet, ensete



Mushrooms, okra,
yams, greens, potato
leaves, sweet potato,
yam fufu, plantains,
eddoes, cabbage,
cassava, eggplant,
spinach, kale, carrots,
dry beans, dry peas,
mung beans, lentils

Sardines, peanut butter, chicken, beef, pork, eggs

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#### **DIABETES**

► Healthy fats (nuts, avocados, fish oil, olive oil)

If you have any of the following health conditions, here are some

foods you should be eating:

- Fruits and vegetables
- High fiber cereals and breads
- Fish, chicken and turkey
- Low-fat dairy and unsweetened yogurt

#### **HEART DISEASE**

- Control portion size
- Low fat proteins (chicken breasts, turkey)
- Fruit and vegetables
- ► Reduced-sodium
- Whole Grains (steel-cut oats, brown rice, quinoa)

#### **HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE**

- Higher potassium intake through fruits and vegetables
- ▶ Reduced-sodium
- Low-fat dairy products
- Whole grains
- No caffeine

#### **OBESITY**

- Whole grains (steel-cut oats, brown rice, quinoa)
- Fruits and vegetables
- Nuts, seeds, beans
- Fish and poultry
- Healthy fats (i.e. avocados, fish oil, olive oil)

#### **OSTEOPOROSIS**

- ► Fish (canned sardines & salmon)
- Fruits and vegetables