# Living an Anti-Inflammatory Lifestyle

Be Active Manage Stress Eat a colorful well-balanced diet
 Manage Weight Get 7-9 hours of sleep nightly

# SUGGEST DECREASING

### **Trans-fats**

Partially hydrogenated oils, baked goods (cakes, pie crusts, frozen pizza, cookies), fried foods (donuts, fries)

# **Refined Vegetable Oils from Seeds**

Soybean, sunflower, safflower, grapeseed, cottonseed, wheat germ

# **Sugars and Simple Carbohydrates**

Eat a low glycemic load diet
White breads, English muffins, bagels,
white pasta, instant and white rice, rice,
corn, sweetened cereals, sweets like candy
baked goods and other desserts, fruit juice

### **Processed Meats**

Lunch/deli meats, hot dogs, bacon, sausage

### **Saturated Fats**

Choose lean cuts of meat and trim visible fat (lamb, pork, fatty beef, chicken with skin). Coconut Oil. Limit butter and full -fat dairy

\*\* It may be worth investigating if you have any food intolerances or sensitivities\*\*

Foods that may trigger intolerance in some people: Dairy, wheat, eggs, artificial flavor and colors (aspartame, FD&C dyes)



# SUGGEST INCREASING

# Fruits & Vegetables

Aim for 4-5+ cups per day

**Examples:** Cherries, peppers, carrots, sweet potato, pineapple, squash, peaches, dark leafy greens, broccoli, cabbage, green beans, brussel sprouts, blueberries, blackberries

### Omega - 3's

Aim for 2-3 servings per week

### **Fatty Fish**

(Salmon, tuna, mackerel), fish oil (2-4 grams daily good quality oil), whole grains, walnuts, green vegetables, eat more omega-3's than omega 6's

### **Mono-unsaturated Fats**

Oils (olive is best, canola, peanut, rice-bran, sesame), avocados

### **Fiber**

Legumes (beans, peas, lentils, etc), wholes grains (brown rice, oatmeal, bran cereal), nuts, popcorn, vegetables and fruits.

### **Protein**

Plant-based (beans, grains, nuts, seeds), lean meats, pea proteins, soy protein

# **Herbs & Spices**

Paprika, rosemary, ginger, turmeric, sage, cumin, cloves, Jamaican allspice, cinnamon, marjoram, tarragon, green and black tea

# **Desserts/Snack**

**Limit sweets.** Dark chocolate (70% cocoa or more): less than 100grams a week

\*\*Consult with your doctor if you could consider: magnesium supplement (320 mg/day women; 420 mg/day men)

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