**Managing Diabetes Day-to-Day**

### FOLLOW AN EATING PLAN

1. **Non-Starchy Vegetables**
2. **Protein Foods**
3. **Carbohydrate Foods**
4. **Water or 0-Calorie Drink**

- Eat food slowly so you’ll enjoy it more and know when you’re full.
- Focus on eating more whole grains, vegetables, fruits, and nuts.
- Check nutrition labels and choose nutrient-dense, minimally processed food that will fit into a healthy eating plan.

### BE PHYSICALLY ACTIVE

- Get 150 minutes/week of moderate-intensity physical activity (where you can comfortably talk but not sing while exercising).
- Incorporate small active moments in your daily routine, such as taking the stairs instead of the elevator or going for walks.
  - Try walking for 30 minutes or take three 10-minute walks a day.
  - Try to stand up and move around every 30 minutes.
  - Have fun while you’re active, try inviting friends or family to join you.
  - Try using a fitness tracker or an app to monitor your physical activity.

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**FOLLOW AN EATING PLAN**

- **Monitor your blood glucose (blood sugar) levels as outlined in your diabetes care plan.**
- **Take your medication as directed, even if you’re feeling fine, and consult your health care team before making changes.**
- **Address your stress. Take time for yourself, smile and laugh, and look for support.**
- **Be aware of signs of depression, your diabetes care team can refer you for support if you need it.**
- **Get regular check-ups.**

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