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Reduce your Risk of Cancer

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Cancer is the 2nd leading cause of death in the US

The American Cancer Society estimates that 2/3 of all cancer cases and deaths are preventable

One-third are related to poor diet

One-third are related to cigarettes

Olf you do not smoke, diet and exercise are the most powerful natural means to reduce cancer risks

It is never too early and never too late to begin to reduce your risks

Some cancers take years to develop

There are approximately 450 cancer deaths for every 100,000 persons in the United States

- O Summary of the Second Expert Report on Food, Nutrition, Physical Activity, and the Prevention of Cancer – a Global Perspective - 2006
- World Cancer Research Fund
- American Institute for Cancer Research

- OTwenty Researchers from twelve countries
- Reviewed 10,000 scientific studies

O 30-40% of Cancer cases worldwide could be prevented by proper diet, exercise and optimal weight

20% of Lung Cancer cases in both smokers and non-smokers could be prevented by a diet high in fruits and vegetables

O 60-75 % of Stomach Cancer cases could be prevented with a diet high in vegetables and fruits and low in salt and salted foods

O 33-50% of Breast Cancer cases could be prevented with a plantbased diet, along with avoiding alcohol, maintaining healthy weight and regular exercise.

One of the caveats is that these health habits need to be in place from puberty to adulthood to get the maximal protection

Ø 66-75% of Colon Cancer can be prevented by a diet high in vegetables and low in meat, along with getting regular exercise

A study in Europe called the EPIC study with half a million Europeans in 12 countries for 4 ½ yrs showed that those that ate the highest amount of fiber in their diets had a 40% lower risk of colon cancer

- Only plants have dietary fiber
- ONo animal products have any fiber
- Those eating the most plant foods have the least cancer

OScientists with the AICR recommend the following for lowering your risk of Cancer:

- Choose a plant-based diet rich in vegetables, fruit, beans and whole grains
- Eat five servings of vegetables and fruits daily – (others say 9)

- Eat seven or more servings daily of whole grains, beans, and root vegetables
- Avoid refined sugar

- Avoid meat completely, especially red meat
- ORestrict dietary fat to no more than 15 % of total calories consumed

- Avoid processed oils
- Take in no more than one teaspoon of salt daily
- Refrigerate left-over food immediately

Avoid food containing additives

ODo not eat charred, broiled, cured, or smoked meats

- Exercise vigorously at least one hour a week
- Take a brisk walk for one hour daily
- Keep Body Mass Index (BMI) at 21-

- O Gain no more than 11 pounds in adulthood
- O Do not consume alcohol
- O Do not smoke or chew tobacco