## FACT SHEET



## **SMART Goal**

## To control alcohol intake

The American Cancer Society Guidelines on Nutrition and Physical Activity recommends that breast cancer survivors:

Drink no more than 1 drink per day.



**Specific** A goal should be precise by determining what you <u>plan</u> to do.

- Verbalize: turn your goal into a positive affirmation—or 'speak it into existence.'
- Visual: picture yourself in the future having reached the goal.
- Actualize: work at it—to reach your goal.

**Measurable** A goal should be quantifiable to measure your progress.

 Use the super tracker to help plan, analyze, track your diet, physical activity, and monitor your dietary intake.

**Attainable** *A goal should be achievable.* 

- Set a realistic goal.
- Focus on making one change at a time.

**Relevant** A goal should be important to you.

• Dietary intake is often cultural specific. Look for ways to modify traditional recipes.

Time-bound A goal needs to be sensible.

• Measure progress daily.



After considering the cancer prevention guidelines, decide which changes to make first. Keep in mind that new behaviors take about a month to become habit. Before you set a goal, as yourself these questions:

- Why am I creating this goal?
- 2. What are the benefits/barriers of reaching this goal?
- 3. How will reaching this goal make me feel?
- 4. Who will help me reach this goal?
- 5. <u>How</u> will I reach the goal?

