

### Eat the BeWell Way for Better Health

The blueberry nutrient profile makes it a superstar in preventing disease such as diabetes and cancer and promoting heart and brain health and is a perfect choice as our healthy eating icon. If you're looking to improve your health, add Elior North America's BeWell eating approach into your wellness plan. Follow these six diet guidelines while also being mindful of portion size and sodium and limiting processed foods and trans-fat.

#### **Emphasize Plant-Based, Whole Foods**

Health benefits of a plant-based, whole food diet are plentiful—from decreasing risk of disease and cancer to managing weight. They also have a lower impact on the environment compared to animal and processed foods. Examples: fruits, vegetables, whole grains, nuts, seeds, legumes, soy foods, herbs and spices.

### Eat Healthy Fats

Gone are the days of low-fat diets. We need a certain amount of fat in our diets to stay healthy, except for trans-fat. The healthiest fats are omega 3 polyunsaturated fats and monounsaturated fats. Examples: nuts, nut butters, flax and chia seeds, salmon, tuna, avocados, and walnut, avocado or olive oil.

## Add Lean Protein or Plant-Based Protein

Protein is an important building block of bones, muscles, cartilage, skin and blood. While high-protein diets surge in popularity, most people get too much. Fill your plate with plant-based foods and add lean protein in 2–3 oz portions. Or go veggie all the way and choose plant-based protein only. Plant-based protein examples: tofu, tempeh, soybeans, legumes, lentils, nuts and seeds. Lean protein examples: lean beef, lean lamb, veal, lean pork, bison, venison, poultry, fish and eggs.

#### Limit Added Sugar

High-sugar intake is linked to obesity, cavities and heart disease. Common culprits of foods high in sugar are ice cream, grain-based desserts, cereals, candy and beverages, such as soda and sports, energy and fruit drinks. To avoid sugar-laden foods, check food packages for added sugar and choose whole foods, including fruit and water most often.

# Fill-Up on High Fiber Foods and Add Probiotic Foods

Fiber is a nutrient all-star; it feeds good gut bacteria to keep you healthy, maintains digestion and weight, and stabilizes blood sugar. Examples: whole grains, fruits, vegetables, legumes, nuts and seeds. Probiotic foods are foods that are either naturally fermented or have probiotics added to help promote digestion and good gut health. Examples: kefir, yogurt, miso, kimchi, kombucha and tempeh.

### And...Drink Water and Get Moving

Water is our source of life; make it your beverage of choice. Get moving; adapt a purposeful exercise routine to improve or maintain health. Aim for 150 minutes or more of exercise per week or 30 minutes per day.





BeWell eating guidelines are recommend by our Registered Dietitians and were influenced by the commonalities of six well-respected and evidenced-based diet patterns that promote health: USDA Dietary Guidelines 2015–2020, American Heart Association Dietary Guidelines, Anti-Inflammatory Diet, Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension (DASH) diet, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health's Healthy Eating Plate, and the Mediterranean Diet.

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		1	2 JULY SPECIAL	3
Each Meal served with 2 % Milk New Items are in <b>Bold Italics</b>	TRIO Community Meals an elior company	Hot Dog w/ Chili Mixed Vegetables Fiesta Potatoes Hot Dog Bun Mandarin Oranges	BBQ Chicken Baked Beans Crmd & W. K. Corn White Roll Fresh Cantaloupe	Closed
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6 Country Meatballs	Sausage/Pinto Bns	8 Buffalo Style Chkn	9 Meatloaf	10 Chef Salad
Broccoli/Cauliflower Cream Style Corn Whole Wheat Bread LD Fig Bar Margarine	Brown Rice Turnip Greens Pickled Beets Cornbread Fresh Apple	Potato Wedges Apple Juice 4 oz. Wheat Hamburger Bun Bread Pudding/Raisins	<b>Brown Gravy</b> Mashed Potatoes	Mandarin Oranges Whole Wheat Cracke Blueberry Cake Ranch Dressing
13	14	15 BIRTHDAY SPECIAL	16	17
Sliced Ham Raisin Sauce Chantilly Potatoes Buttered Cabbage Whole Wheat Bread LD Jelly Crème Pie Margarine	Taco Salad Lettuce/Tomato Shredded Cheese Chuckwagon Corn Corn Chips Strawberry Short Cake Sour Cream Taco Sauce	Chkn/Sausage Gumbo Brown Rice Okra & Tomatoes Potato Salad White Dinner Roll Cake Ice Cream	Cheeseburger Baked Beans Lettuce/Tomato/Pickle Wheat Hamburger Bun Peach Cobbler Mustard Mayo Chocolate Milk	Breakfast Sausage or Ham Grits Escalloped Apples Orng-Tangerine Juice Biscuit Fruit & Grain Bar Jelly   Margarine
20		22	23	<b>24</b>
Chicken & Sausage Jambalaya Carrots Broccoli Whole Wheat Bread Apple Juice 4 oz. Margarine	Roasted Turkey Brown Gravy Candied Swt Potatoes Green Peas/Peppers Whole Wheat Bread Almond Cookie	Teriyaki Meatballs Steamed Rice Fresh Melon Mix Oriental Blend Whole Wheat Bread LD Raisin Crème Pie	Ham & Lima Beans Brown Rice Strawberry-Kiwi Juice Steamed Spinach Cornbread Chocolate Moon Pie	Chicken Salad Pickled Beets Confetti Coleslaw Wheat Bread (2sl) Fresh Banana Ranch Dressing
27	28	29	30	31
Chile Lime Chicken Chantilly Potatoes Green Peas Whole Wheat Bread LD Oatmeal Cookie Margarine	Hamburger Chuckwagon Corn Lettuce/Tomato/Pickle Hamburger Bun Pineapple Cobbler Mayo Ketchup Chocolate Milk	Steamed Rice Collard Greens Creamy Cucumber Cornbread Fresh Fruit Margarine	Chicken Fajita Shredded Cheese Garden Salad Pinto Beans Flour Tortilla Lemon Poppyseed Cake Ranch Dressing Sour Cream	Ham & Cheese Lettuce/Tomato/Pick Carrifruit Salad Wheat Bread (2sl) Fresh Fruit Mustard Mayo