What is Malnutrition?

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Malnutrition, or undernutrition, happens when your body does not receive enough calories and protein that it needs





Illness/diseases



Taste change



Cognitive/ Mood issues



Environment changes



Bloatedness



Nausea/vomiting



Chewing/ swallowing issues



Diarrhoea

Malnutrition can result in...

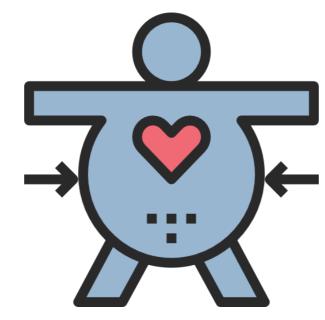
- Higher risk for falls
- Poor healing and increased infections
- Hospital re-admissions
- Longer hospital stays



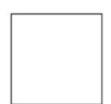
Signs of malnutrition or risk of malnutrition



Loss of fat and/or muscles







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Food Fortification

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How can I help someone to improve his/her overall nutritional intake? Add any of the ingredients here to the main food item to improve its nutritional value without increasing its portion size!



Fortify to increase the nutritive value of foods



Wholemeal bread 1 slice (30g) 80 kcal 3g protein



Cream crackers 3 pieces (30g) 120 kcal 2g protein



Oats /Nestum 4 tbsp (30g) 120 kcal 5g protein



This food may raise sugar levels in patients with diabetes

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Canned Tuna in Oil



1/3 can (40g) 90 kcal, 10g protein





2 tbsp (30g) 110 kcal, 0g protein

Sliced cheese



1 slice (20g) 70 kcal, 4g protein

Braised peanis



3 tbsp (45g) 110 kcal, 6g protein

Tofu



2/3 block (200g)100 kcal, 10g protein

Fruit jam*



2 tbsp (30g) 110 kcal, 0g protein

Sesame oil



1 tbsp (15ml) 110 kcal, Og protein

Chocolate spread*



2 tbsp (30g) 170 kcal, 2g protein

Honey*



2 tbsp (30g) 90 kcal, Og protein

Peanut butter



2 tbsp (30g) 190 kcal, 8g

Canned

sardines

1 piece (70g)

100 kcal,

10g protein

Gravy, curry (meat)



Cooked minced meat

3 tbsp (90g) 150 kcal, 21g protein

Chicken floss



2 tbsp (30g) 130 kcal, 10g protein

Egg



1 large whole (60g)80 kcal, 7g protein

½ cup (125ml) 240 kcal, 3g protein Tan Tock Seng

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High Calorie Snacks

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Local desserts: 1 serving size = 1 bowl (250ml) unless otherwise stated



Yam paste/ Or Ni * 480kcal 3g protein

Pandan Cake *

1 piece (40g)

100kcal

3g protein



210kcal 2g protein



Bubur Cha Cha* 380kcal 5g protein



Cream wafers * 3 pieces (30g) 140kcal 1g protein



Chicken Pau 1 medium (60g) 140kcal 5g protein



Pulut Hitam with coconut milk *



Laddu * 1 piece (30g) 170kcal 3g protein

Snacks between meals

may be a helpful way



Yam Cake 1 piece (130g) 200kcal 3g protein



Soya Beancurd with beancurd * 160kcal 5g protein



You Tiao 1 stick (50g) 200kcal 4g protein



Keropok 1 serve (30g) 130kcal 1g protein





Jalebi * 1 piece (50g) 150kcal 2g protein



Chocolate * 1 bar (40g) 200kcal 2g protein



Rainbow Kueh * 1 piece (70g) 120kcal 1g protein



Ice cream * 1 scoop (50g) 180kcal 3g protein



2 pieces (50g) 160kcal 4g protein



Payasam * 270kcal 4g protein



Butter Cake * 1 slice (40g) 160kcal 2g protein



Goreng Pisang * 1 piece (65g) 200kcal 1g protein



Agar-agar * 1 piece (150g) 120kcal Og protein



Tang Yuan (glutinous rice balls)2 pieces * 150kcal 2g protein



Vadai 1 piece (50g) 150kcal 5g protein









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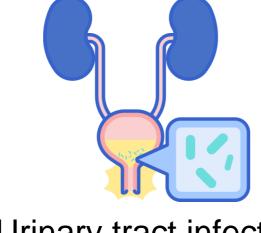
Ensure Adequate Fluids & Hydration

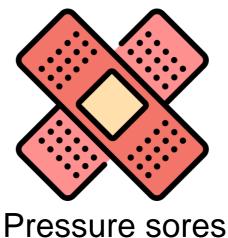
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Dehydration can result in adverse effects on function & clinical outcomes. Older adults are especially susceptible due to limited fluid intake.

Poor fluid intake may result in complications such as:









Constipation

Urinary tract infection

Causes:

- Vomiting
- Diarrhoea
- Insufficient water intake





Signs and symptoms:

- Tiredness and/or Headache
- Dry mouth/lips
- Dark colored or strong-smelling urine
- Dry & loose skin
- Fever



Nourishing fluids can be served to increase nutritional intake keep ensure enough hydration



Full cream milk/ Soya milk 1 cup (250ml)



Malted drink
3-in-1 or
3 tbsp powder
(e.g. Milo, Horlicks)*



Bandung*
1 cup



Yoghurt drink*
1 cup



Barley drink*
1 cup

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Oral Nutritional Supplements (ONS):

- specially formulated beverages that contain energy, protein, vitamins & minerals
- complete in nutrition or modular (contain only 1 nutrient)
- used to supplement nutritional intake when someone is eating poorly at meals



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