# Nutrition during

## your cancer journey

### Did you know?



Did you know losing weight during the cancer journey can impact treatment?

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Nutrition is important at every stage; before, during and after any treatment



Maintaining your weight and muscle strength can help limit the side effects of treatment and contribute to better quality of life

#### Ask yourself

Have I recently <u>lost any weight</u> without trying to, or are any of my clothes/belts/jewellery/dentures now <u>loose fitting?</u>

Have I been experiencing any <u>changes in</u> <u>bowel habits</u> (constipation or diarrhoea) or episodes of <u>nausea or vomiting?</u>

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Am I experiencing a <u>loss of</u> appetite or <u>lack of interest in food?</u>



Am I feeling full after smaller amounts of food than normal?

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Am I experiencing any <u>symptoms</u>, such as dry/sore mouth, taste changes or difficulties swallowing, which are <u>impacting on my ability to eat and drink?</u>



#### **DON'T WAIT TO BE ASKED** ABOUT YOUR NUTRITION



Keep an eye on how you've been eating and feeling and watch out for weight loss.

If you notice any of the above signs, speak to your medical team, nurse or dietitian right away.

