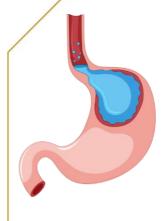


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Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease (GERD)



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Gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD) is a chronic digestive disorder. GERD occurs when stomach acid or stomach content, flow back to mouth trough esophagus.

Following a healthy lifestyle can prevent GERD

Avoid smoking

Sit-down while eating and try to be relaxed

Avoid lying down after meal for 3 hours

Exercise at least 3 or 4 times weekly

Frequent small meals through the day

Elevate your bed 6 to 9 inches

Recommended food

Low/Skim/Fat-Free Milk and Milk Products

 Evaporated Milk
 Milk
 Cheese

 Ice Cream
 Yogurt
 Soy Milk

Meat and other protein food

Chicken & Egg Fish Well done meat

Dried beans and peas

Nuts and nut butter



Recommended food

Grains prepared without added fat

Choose whole grain for half of your servings

Fruit and vegetables prepared without fat

Eat a variety of colored vegetables especially greens and orange ones

Fat

Limit your intake to less than 8 teaspoons per day.

Choose heart-healthy oils such as olive oil and canola oil.

spices

Except pepper

drinks

Caffeine-free

herps

Except mint

Food to Avoid

Avoiding or limiting these food might reduce the symptoms of GERD especially full-fat food.

High/Full fat milk products

Full fat milk	cocoa milk	buttermilk
Full fat yogurt		cheeses
Fried food		
Fried vegetables	French fries	Donuts
fried/processed meat		
sausage	pepperoni	Fried meats

Food to Avoid

Avoiding or limiting these food might reduce the symptoms of GERD.

Chocolate

Pepper

Mint

Nuts and butternut

Consuming more than 8 teaspoons of fat such as oil, butter, shortening /day.

Caffeinated beverages or decaffeinated beverage as coffee, tea and caffeinated soft drinks.

Some fruits or vegetables that increase GERD symptoms. (These will vary from person to person).

Sources and References:

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