

# **PATIENT INSTRUCTIONS: The HCG DIET... WHAT TO EXPECT**

## **Starting the HCG Diet you MUST:**

- Purchase BATHROOM SCALE
- Purchase DIET FOOD SCALE
- WEIGH YOURSELF EVERYDAY and keep track of daily weights. Call us if you do not lose a pound when you weigh yourself.
- ALWAYS WEIGH YOUR PROTEIN –avoid eating chicken breast at restaurants—it's usually cooked with oil.
- Read Dr Simeon's Original Manuscript
- Not consume Laxatives (including teas that have laxative effects) - CONSULT YOUR MD IF YOU CURRENTLY TAKE
- Not consume Diuretics- CONSULT YOUR MD IF CURRENTLY PRESCRIBED
- Not use cooking spray
- Not use non-fat half & half or any other proclaimed non-fat products
- Not consume ANY oil or fat
- Not consume OMEGA 3 or 6 FISH oil
- Refrigerate HCG Syringes
- When starting 500 calorie portion of diet EAT ONLY FOODS ON DIET PLAN!! NO SUBSTITUTIONS!
- Take 99mg Potassium daily (consult your primary care physician if you are currently taking a diuretic or are already prescribed potassium). As your urination increases with increased fat burning; your body will lose potassium and if you don't replace it you may develop cramping in hands, feet or legs.

## **Day One & Two:**

- Start HCG SHOTS & EAT!
- EAT AS MUCH AS YOU CAN!! FATTY & SWEET FOODS ARE GOOD!!
- DON'T TRY TO OUT THINK DIET!! YOU WILL MESS IT UP!
- IF YOU DO NOT LOAD EAT DURING 1ST Two Days you will have a difficult time adjusting to the diet!! You will experience intense hunger.
- Drink 64oz of Gator-aid each day of the 1st 2 days after starting the HCG Shots (only during the loading phase)
- 2-4 lbs of weight gain can be expected but is not always the case. Don't worry it will burn off within a day or two!

**Day three:** Start 500 calorie diet. Stick to specific times and foods listed in the **500 CALORIE DIET** section. Generally patients lose 3-4 lbs. Some people experience headache, slight nausea or dizziness. If you do, you NEED to drink more fluids!! Patients are generally NOT hungry.

In the rare event you experience tremendous hunger try having 2 oz. of extra protein.

**Day four:** 2-3 lbs of weight loss can be expected but is not always the case. Most people experience some degree of detox from carbohydrates & sugar. This is usually indicated by slight headache or drowsiness.

Detoxification from chemicals. FAT stores are high in pollutants and may abruptly release chemicals into your system during the first week of the diet. Drink LOTS OF FLUIDS to avoid feeling nauseous if you work with or have been exposed to an abundance of chemicals in past 5 years. SEE DETOXIFICATION SECTION

**Day 5:** Minor complaints diminish while the weight continues to drop at an average rate of 1-2 lbs per day.

**It is important to remember to call us, no matter what, if you are not losing one pound per day.**

## **HUNGER**

The only time you should be excessively hungry where you find that you cannot stick to diet is:

- 1) The day after you cheat (consume something not on diet, usually fat; or had too many calories in one sitting).
- 2) If you have become immune to HCG from multiple rounds of doing the diet.
- 3) If you left the HCG unrefrigerated or have not used it within a 60 day period of when it was mixed.

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## **CALL THE OFFICE FOR GUIDANCE IF EXPERIENCING SEVERE HUNGER**

### **A PLATEAU**

A plateau lasts 4-6 days and frequently occurs during the second half of a full (40 day) course, particularly in patients that have been doing well and whose overall average of nearly a pound per effective injection (injection 3 and on) has been maintained. Those who are losing more than the average, all have a plateau sooner or later. A plateau **always corrects itself**, but many patients who have become accustomed to a regular daily loss get unnecessarily worried. A plateau does **not** mean that you are no longer responding normally to treatment.

For such cases we consider it permissible to break up the plateau. This can be done with an "apple day". An apple day begins at 11am and continues until just before 9pm. The patients are instructed to eat six large apples whenever they feel the desire, generally one every three to four hours. During an apple-day no other food or liquids except plain water are allowed and of water they may only drink just enough to quench an uncomfortable thirst if eating an apple still leaves them thirsty. The apple-day produces a gratifying loss of weight on the following day, chiefly due to the elimination of water and loosening of impacted stool. **This water is not regained** when the patients resume their normal 500-calorie diet at lunch, and on the following days they continue to lose weight satisfactorily.

If you stop losing weight don't assume you are having a plateau call office to discuss with staff.

### **CONSTIPATION**

If you are not losing a pound a day, the most common cause is constipation. Keep hydrated to avoid constipation. An excess of water keeps the feces soft, and that is very important in the obese, who commonly suffer from constipation and spastic colon.

While under treatment we **rarely** permit the use of **any kind of laxative** except bulk forming fiber which is not a typical laxative as it is not chemically altering your retention of water. It is normal to have a reduction in the amount of bowel movements as compared to before, but you **SHOULD** be having at least one bowel movement daily. If not, this could account for a lack of weight loss. Sugar free Metamucil 20 minutes before lunch and dinner or two back-to-back colonics can be helpful.

If you have a long history of constipation (not having at least one bowel movement per day) we suggest that you eliminate ALL MILK products (yogurt, ice cream, and especially cheese). To rebuild an atrophied colon it may take a year of a dairy free diet and a great increase in fiber. To hasten results try doing a course of colonics (ten sessions \$600).

### **COSMETICS**

When no dietary error is found, we look at cosmetics. Most find it hard to believe that fats, oils, creams and ointments applied to the skin are absorbed and can interfere with the weight reduction by HCG, just as if it had been eaten. This incredible sensitivity to even such very minor increases in nutritional intake is a peculiar feature of the HCG method. For instance, it's been found that persons who habitually handle organic fats, such as workers in beauty parlors, masseurs, butchers, etc. never show what is considered a satisfactory loss of weight unless they can avoid fat coming into contact with their skin. We encourage patients to continue using cosmetics as they normally would but to consider elimination if they stop losing a pound a day.

### **SUPPLEMENTS (add complete vitamin, mineral & amino acid supplement package see staff for details).**

In order for the thousands of process and systems to work optimally in your body you need to provide the fuel necessary to keep things going. The essentials of maintaining optimum nutrition:

- 1) **8 Essential Amino Acids:** Essential amino acids are "essential" not because they are more important to life than the others, but because the body does not synthesize them, making it essential to include them in one's diet in order to obtain them. In addition, the amino acids arginine, cysteine, glycine, glutamine, histidine, proline, serine and tyrosine are considered conditionally essential, meaning they are not normally required in the diet, but must be supplied exogenously to specific populations that do not synthesize it in adequate amounts.
- 2) **13 essential vitamins:** The 13 essential vitamins include A, C, D, E, K, B1---thiamine, B2---riboflavin, B3---niacin, B5---pantothenic acid, B7---biotin, B6, B12 and B9---folic acid.
- 3) **Minerals & Trace Minerals:** We need seven macrominerals and 14 trace minerals. The macrominerals include calcium, chlorine, sodium, potassium, phosphorus, magnesium and sulfur. Trace minerals include chromium, zinc, manganese, copper, iron, fluorine, cobalt, tin, iodine, selenium, vanadium, nickel, molybdenum, iodine and selenium (we suggest taking a good

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mineral combination supplement with a minimum of 99mg potassium, on a daily basis, while on the diet; as urine production increases potassium stores decrease and may cause cramping in feet, legs and hands)

- 4) **OMEGA 3 FATS:**  $\Omega$ 3 fatty acids (popularly referred to as  $\omega$ 3 fatty acids or omega-3 fatty acids) are essential unsaturated fatty acids with a double bond (C=C) starting after the third carbon atom from the end of the carbon chain. The omega-3 fatty acids are "essential" fatty acids because they are vital for normal metabolism and cannot be synthesized by the human body. DO NOT TAKE OMEGA 3 on HCG DIET your fat stores have an ample supply.
- 5) **WATER**
- 6) **INSOLUBLE DIETARY FIBER** insoluble fiber is metabolically inert, absorbing water as it moves through the digestive system, easing defecation
- 7) **ANTIOXIDANTS** Ascorbic acid, Glutathione, Melatonin, Tocopherols and Tocotrienols (vitamin E). Antioxidants fight the constant stream of free radicals produced by toxins and mutant cells already in your body.

We urge our patients to always take supplements, on the diet or off the diet. If your fat stores lack the appropriate nutrients you may not lose weight as quickly as you would like. When you are doing everything appropriately and are losing weight too slowly, please consider taking supplements. Consult our staff for recommendations.

## DETOXIFICATION

Additionally, in rare instances, some people are severely polluted with chemicals from cosmetics and the environment; pesticides from fruit and vegetables; as well as hormones and antibiotics from poultry, pork and beef.

Wash ALL fruit & vegetables thoroughly before consuming it & Buy FREE RANGE & ORGANICALLY FED poultry, pork & beef. Avoid fish known to be high in mercury or farm raised fish. Farm-raised salmon live in tight, densely populated quarters and eat fish pellets. Farmers add a chemical dye to artificially color the fish and make it more marketable. Farm-raised fish also may contain polychlorinated biphenyls, or PCBs, which are highly toxic industrial compounds. These toxins are "probable human carcinogens," according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Pollutants for the most part reside in fat stores, hence a primary reasons overweight people are more prone to disease. It is important to wash these toxins from your body. If you feel nauseous and experience any vomiting you might be releasing toxins from your fat stores. If this is the case, you must drink an excessive amount of fluid. Don't stop the diet. These toxins need to be removed from your body.

Many people with HIGH LEAD levels have SLOW metabolisms. If you have a history of hypothyroid; irregular menstrual cycles; unexplained: high triglycerides, cholesterol or blood pressure; cancer; or cardiac arrhythmias, you may have high levels of toxic heavy metals. Once metals are removed from your system many patients no longer need the medications they have grown dependent on and many find that future attempts to lose weight are easier.

Few physicians (1 in 1000) understand how to accurately test for heavy metals. A blood test from QUEST will not give you accurate results. Please consult staff for some literature on Chelation and an explanation of how to be tested if you believe that you have toxic heavy metals in your system.

## END OF DIET

### After your last shot

Stay on 500 CALORIE DIET for 3 days (as best as you can). As HCG weans from your system.

After 3 days switch to a typical ATKINS type diet. NO SUGAR & NO CARBS. It is identical to HCG 500 CALORIE DIET food selections except you can have FAT and OILS. And you can increase quantities. Typical protein quantities are 150-175 grams.

Stay on this diet for 21 days to lock in weight loss and gradually add carbs & sugars. If you discover you are gaining weight, immediately eliminate carbs & sugars until your weight returns to where it was the day of your last shot.

It is important to start exercise program of your choice on day 1 of the ATKINS type diet. You will notice it is much easier to exercise and in doing so will help you lose even more weight. If additional weight loss is desired, you may restart the HCG DIET 4 weeks after your last shot. Future attempts at the HCG DIET sometimes are more effective and sometimes less effective.

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**REMEMBER ONCE YOU START HCG DIET THE CLOCK BEGINS TICKING. YOU HAVE EITHER 25 DAYS or 40 DAYS FROM FIRST INJECTION TO COMPLETE DIET. IF YOU STOP FOR ANY REASON MORE THAN 5 DAYS THE DIET IS OVER. NO REFUNDS NO CREDITS. IF YOU ARE NOT READY TO START THE DIET DON'T START IT! WE DO NOT MODIFY DIET FOR SHORTER PERIODS OF TIME. WE CHARGE APPROXIMATELY \$900 LESS THAN OTHER REPUTABLE PROVIDERS FOR THE HCG DIET; WE CAN NOT AFFORD TO CHANGE OUR PROTOCOLS.**

**WE CAN NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY PERSONAL OR MEDICAL CONDITIONS WHICH MAY PREVENT YOU FROM ADHERING TO THE DIET. WE DO OUR BEST TO HELP SAVE LIVES. IF YOU CAN'T AFFORD DO THE HCG DIET DON'T DO IT! IF YOU ARE NOT READY TO DO THE HCG DIET DON'T DO IT!**

## **500 CALORIE DIET**

STARTING ON DAY 3:

HCG Diet Total Daily Food Allowance

**FRUIT:** 2 portions of fruit per day (a portion is: 1 Apple (granny smith), 1 Orange (thin skin-not naval), 1/2 Grapefruit, or handful of Strawberries).

**VEGETABLES:** 2 portions (a portion is as much as you can eat—only at meal times) of vegetables per day (Spinach, Chicory, Chard, Beet Greens, Green Salad, Celery, Tomatoes, Red Radishes, Onions, Cucumbers, Asparagus or Cabbage). Stay away from Carrots, Broccoli & Cauliflower.

**PROTEIN:** 2 portions of protein per day (a portion is: 100 grams for lunch and 100 grams for dinner- NO Beef, NO veal, NO pork, NO sausage or burger of any kind, Chicken Breast, White Fish, Lobster, Crab or Shrimp are all ok. NO tuna, NO salmon, NO tilapia.

**CARBOHYDRATES:** 2 portions of Carbohydrates per day (a portion is: 1 piece melba toast or 1 small bread stick) MOST PEOPLE ELIMINATE CARBS AFTER 1st WEEK

Any quantity of non-caloric fluid throughout the day. Take it easy on Crystal Light some people don't lose weight consuming it.

The juice of one lemon is allowed daily. Salt, pepper, vinegar, mustard powder, garlic, sweet basil, parsley, thyme, marjoram etc. for seasoning, but no butter, oil or dressing. The melba toast / breadstick may be eaten between meals instead of with lunch or dinner.

**HCG Diet Sample Diet Day. TRY TO EAT AT THESE HOURS ONLY!**

You can have any non-caloric fluid like coffee, tea, diet soda or crystal light (one tablespoon skim milk permitted in each cup of coffee) at any time.

**11:00 AM - Snack: eat one piece of fruit that is on the list. DRINK 20oz of WATER**

**12:30 PM - Lunch: 1 serving of vegetable and 1 serving of protein and 1 serving of carbohydrate. DRINK 20oz of WATER**

**3:30 PM - Snack: Another serving of fruit**

**6:30 PM - Dinner: 1 serving of vegetable and 1 serving of protein and 1 serving of carbohydrate. DRINK 20oz of WATER**

**BED TIME - DRINK 20oz Of WATER BEFORE BED!!**

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