

Sample Anorexia Recovery Meal Plan

Your dietitian may recommend an exchange based meal plan, like this one.

Exchanges are based on fuel groups, or the foods that give your body energy.

The number of fuel groups included in your meal plan will depend on your unique needs and where you are in your recovery.

Eating regular meals and snacks provides your body with fuel, and can help regulate your hunger cues.



Breakfast:

- 1 Carb
- 1 Protein
- 1 Fat
- 1 Dairy
- 1 fuel group of your choice



Snack:

- 1 Fruit
- 1 Fat



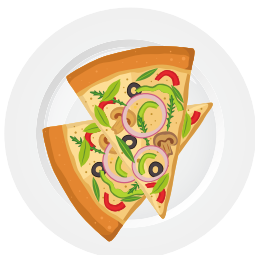
Lunch:

- 1 Carb
- 1 Protein
- 1 Fat
- 1 Dairy
- 1 fuel group of your choice



Snack:

- 1 Veggie
- 1 Fat
- 1 Carb



Dinner:

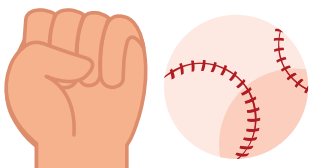
- 1 Carb
- 1 Protein
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- 1 fuel group of your choice



Dessert:

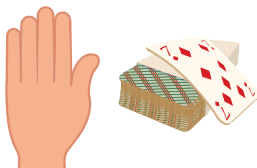
- 1 Carb
- 1 Fat

Carbohydrates



Fist or baseball

Proteins



Palm or deck of cards

Fats



Two thumbs or golf ball

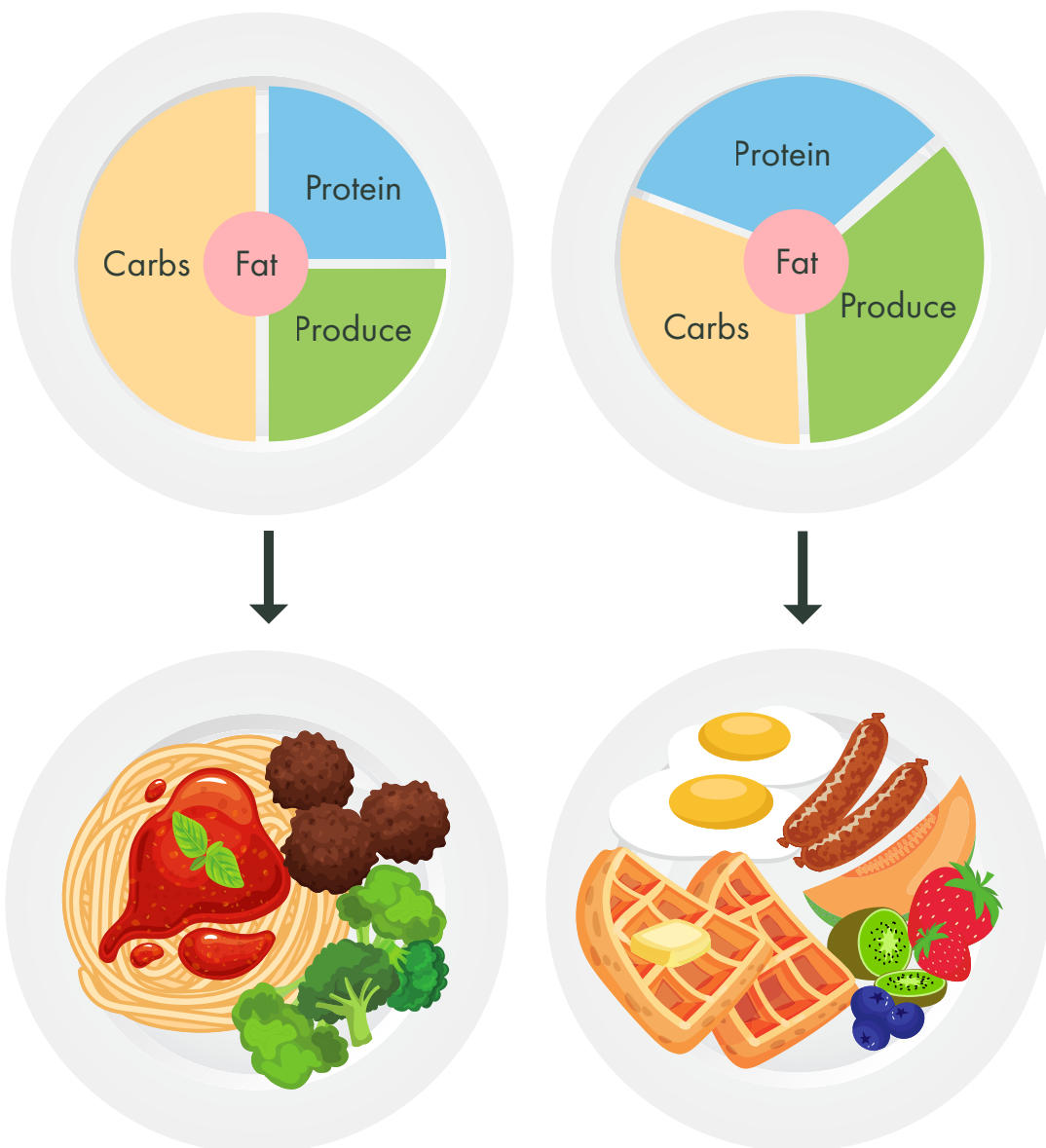


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Your dietitian may also recommend a plate-by-plate approach, like this one.

With a plate-by-plate plan, you fill your plate with your fuel groups. This type of meal plan is helpful for caregivers who are plating their loved one's food.

With this approach you are encouraged not to overthink it! The goal is to get equal ratios of carbs, protein, and fats, and normalize portions.



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A successful recovery meal plan will include the following:

- Regular meals throughout the day, so you don't go too long without eating
- A balance of carbs, proteins, and fats at meals and snacks
- An adequate amount of food to meet your body's energy needs
- A variety of foods-- no food is off limits!

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