

NUTRITION AND HEALTH PROGRAM

WHAT is the Nutrition and Health Program all about?

Our nutrition and health program is **FREE** and helps adults and youth:

- make healthier nutrition choices and become more physically active
- learn to use their food dollars wisely

WHO is our audience?

Parents or caregivers of children. Youth at schools or summer and afterschool programs. Parents or caregivers may be part of pre-K or other school groups, ESL, computer or other training, Head Start, Family Shelters, or any other community or faith-based agency program.

WHERE are groups held?

Nutrition and Health groups meet in a variety of community-based or faith-based agencies and schools in targeted communities throughout New York City. **To find out more, call:**

Bronx & Manhattan & Staten Island (212) 340-2939

Brooklyn & Queens (718) 657-9520

WHEN do groups meet?

Adult groups usually meet for $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 hours, once a week for 8 to 10 weeks. Youth groups usually meet for 1 to $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours, once a week for 6 to 8 weeks. Most classes are held on weekdays, during daytime or early-evening hours.

HOW does the learning happen?

Learning is hands-on! Each session, participants engage in learner-centered, dialogue based education that is culturally sensitive. Visuals and hands-on activities make teaching come alive. Participants prepare, cook and taste foods. Sessions target the needs of the group.

WHY take part in the Nutrition Workshop Series?

Participants learn strategies on how to provide themselves and their families with healthy meals and snacks while making the best use of their food resources.

Participants completing the series receive a Certificate of Achievement from Cornell University Cooperative Extension.

WHAT topics are covered? Topics are based on USDA Dietary Guidelines and ChooseMyPlate.Gov

Making Healthy Choices Preparing Healthy Recipes Planning Meals and Menus Feeding Children Being Physically Active Practicing Food Safety

Eating Better on a Budget Reading Labels for Healthy Living Parenting Skills

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Our Educators use the curricula below.

Eating Smart Being Active (ESBA) is for adults and supports parents and caregivers through hands-on interactive workshops with a focus on strategies to help families embrace healthy lifestyle choices while making the most of their food resources.

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Heathly Children Healthy Families: *Parents Making a Difference!* (HCHF) is for adults and supports parents and caregivers by providing education on nutrition, physical activity, and **parenting practices** that help families make healthy changes. Focus is on behaviors most likely to help children avoid unhealthy weight gain.

Paths to Success	Keys to Success	
eating more vegetables and fruits	Showing	teaching by example
playing actively	Supporting	helping children feel good about
eating fewer energy-dense foods		themselves
limiting TV/Computer Time	Guiding	offering choices within limits
drinking water/low fat milk instead of sweetened drinks	Shaping	changing environments to make
having sensible servings		healthy choices easier

Choose Health: Food Fun and Fitness (CHFFF) is an award winning nutrition and fitness curriculum with six hands-on workshops for 8-12 year olds (3rd to 6th graders). CHFFF focuses on healthy eating and active play, and targets behaviors shown to be most important for preventing childhood obesity and chronic disease. Each lesson includes interactive nutrition activities, food preparation, active games, goal setting challenge, and a family newsletter.

Drink Low-Fat Water and Milk instead of Sugary Beverages

Color your Plate: Eat More Vegetables and Fruits

Read it Before You Eat It! The Nutrition Facts Label

Make Half Your Grains Whole! Eat More Whole Grains

Healthier Foods - Fast: Eat Fewer High-Fat High-Sugar Foods

Power Up Your Day: Eat Breakfast!

Eating Smart Being Active (ESBA) curriculum is used with older teen aged youth.