# Living Well with Diabetes

# It's okay to snack!

Small snacks during the day can keep you from getting too hungry, so you won't overeat when you finally have a meal. They also help to keep your blood sugar in a normal range.

### Carbohydrate

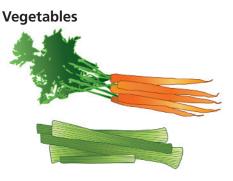


Protein



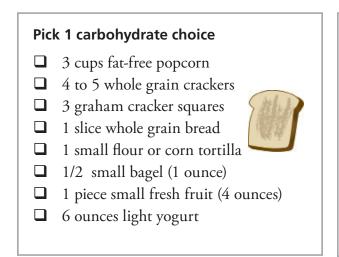
Carbohydrate will give you an extra burst of energy.

Protein will help you feel fuller longer.



Non-starchy vegetables add fiber and can help you feel fuller and more satisfied.

# Pick one choice from each box for your snack:



## Pick 1 protein choice

- □ 1 ounce low-fat cheese
- 1/4 to 1/2 cup nonfat or low-fat cottage cheese
- $\Box$  1/4 cup of egg, chicken, or tuna salad
- 1 ounce of lean meat such as turkey or chicken breast
- □ 1 to 2 tablespoons unsalted peanut butter

1 hard-cooked egg

Add veggies to round out your snack. Here are some ideas:

- Carrot or celery sticks
- Cucumber slices
- Snap peas
- Cherry tomatoes
- Shredded lettuce

# Here are some more snack ideas....

# **Carbohydrate Choices**

- 1 ounce (1/2 to 1 cup) low sugar cereal
- 17 grapes
- 3/4 cup blueberries
- 1 cup melon, cut into cubes
- 1/2 cup canned fruit packed in juice (not syrup)
- 8 ounces nonfat or low-fat milk
- 3/4 ounce pretzels
- 6 saltine crackers

### **Protein Choices**

- 1 ounce canned tuna or salmon drained
- 1 string cheese
- 2 medium sardines
- 1 ounce unsalted nuts
- 1/4 cup reduced fat ricotta cheese
- 1/2 cup light tofu

#### More Veggie Choices

- Asparagus
- Beets
- Jicama
- Radish
- Bell pepper
- Cabbage red and green

## Hummus and bean dips are also great for snacking:

1/3 cup Hummus or 1/2 cup bean dip = 1 carbohydrate + 1 protein choice Add carrot and celery sticks or some bell pepper slices for dipping.

