# Nutrition therapy for children with IBD: making it work!

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- Review nutrition assessment of the pediatric IBD patient
- Identify nutrition therapy approaches to treating IBD
- Describe details of the Crohn's disease exclusion diet

# Nutritional assessment of the IBD patient

- IBD patients at risk for malnutrition\*
  - Poor intake, malabsorption, increased metabolism
  - Underweight more common in CD vs UC
  - · Possible to be overweight and protein or micronutrient malnourished
- Micronutrients of concern\*\*
  - Iron check at diagnosis and annually
  - Vitamin D check at diagnosis and annually
  - Zinc check at diagnosis and annually (CD)
  - B12 if ileal involvement
  - Folate def. rare in countries with folic acid fortification, meds?

<sup>\*</sup>Sigall-Boneh et al. Journal of Crohn's and Colitis, 1407-1419; 2017.

<sup>\*</sup>Hartman et al. JPGN, 63(4): 437-444; 2016

<sup>\*\*</sup>Fritz et al. Inflamm Bowel Dis, 25(3): 445-459; 2019

# Nutritional assessment of the IBD patient – calories and macronutrients

• Non-height dependent equation for REE (WHO) — Energy and Protein Requirements, Geneva: WHO; 1985

Age	Male	Female
0-3 yr	60.9(W) - 54	61(W) - 51
3-10 yr	22.7(W) + 495	22.5(W) + 499
10-18 yr	17.5(W) + 651	12.2(W) + 746
18-30 yr	15.3(W) + 679	14.7(W) + 496

	Stress factor
No wasting/stunting	REE x 1.5
Catch up growth needed	REE x 1.7 – 1.8
Overweight	REE x 1.2

#### Protein needs

- DRI 1 g/kg/day
- Between 1.0-1.5 g/kg
- 45 kg child: Pediasure provides 0.7 g/kg at 50% to 1.5 g/kg at 100%

#### Fluid needs

- Typical for pediatrics
- Increase if excessive losses



# Diet options for IBD

- Exclusive enteral nutrition (EEN, polymeric diet)
- Specific carbohydrate diet (SCD)
- Crohn's disease exclusion diet (CDED)
- IBD-AID
- Mediterranean diet

- Have used EEN?
- Have used CDED?
- Have used SCD?

Audience poll

### Exclusive enteral nutrition



### **Basics**

Provides 90 or 100% nutrition needs from formula

Elemental formulas not necessarily better



### **Barriers**

Family/patient buy-in

Difficulty with adherence/social challenges

Taste fatigue

Cost



### Tips for success

Ensure family knows all medical benefits/MD and RD enthusiasm

90/10 if medically appropriate – low calorie, high volume foods

 Egg whites, homemade gelatin/gummies (Ensure Clear), air-fried foods, formula popsicles, veggies and homemade veggie chips

# Specific carbohydrate diet

- Removes grains, most dairy and sugars
- Promotes non-processed foods with limited additives (see table)
- Legal/illegal list
- Not recommended for:
  - Poor growth
  - Abscess or fistulizing disease
  - Severe disease per PCDAI or PUCAI

Nutrition in Immune Balance (NIMBAL) Therapy (Suskind)

# Specific carbohydrate diet

FOOD	LEGAL	ILLEGAL
Fruits	All fresh, unprocessed	Canned or dried
Vegetables	All fresh, unprocessed that are non- starchy	White and sweet potato; parsnips
Protein foods	All fresh/frozen meats with legal ingredients including beef, poultry, pork, wild game, fish, shellfish, eggs	All processed/breaded meats
Fats	Ghee, oils	Vegan margarine, soybean oil
Dairy	SCD yogurt, hard cheese	Commercial yogurt, regular milk, soft cheese
Nuts/seeds	All nuts, coconut, all natural nut butters, most beans	Garbanzo, kidney, pinto beans Soy

# Specific carbohydrate diet



### **Barriers**

Introducing different foods

Time needed to cook from scratch

Difficulty with adherence/social

challenges

Cost (?)



### Tips for success

Ensure family knows all medical benefits/MD and RD enthusiasm

Plan ahead!

Divide the work (involve the child)



### Resources

Breakingtheviciouscycle.info

Pecanbread.com

Nutrition in Immune Balance (NIMBAL) Therapy – David Suskind, MD Crohn's disease exclusion diet (CDED) - basics

### Goals:

- Change composition of gut bacteria
- Decrease intestinal permeability
- Restriction of harmful products while allowing to partake in food with family/friends

12 weeks + indefinite maintenance phase

5 mandatory foods in weeks 1-12

### Phase 1 (weeks 1-6)

• 50% calories formula, 50% allowed foods

### Phase 2 (weeks 7-12)

• 25% calories formula, 75% allowed foods

All foods fresh

### CDED aims to eliminate or decrease...

- Animal fats
- Gluten
- Processed meats
- Added sugars

- Maltodextrin
- Polysorbate 80
- Carboxymethylcellulose
- Xanthan gum
- Carrageenan
- Sulfites
- Emulsifiers

Sigall-Boneh et.al. *Journal of Crohn's and Colitis*, 1205-1212; 2017 Sarbagili-Shabat et.al. *Current Opinion in Gastroenterology*, 31(4): 303-8; 2015 INGREDIENTS: DRIED POTATOES, VEGETABLE OIL (CONTAINS ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING: CORN OIL, COTTONSEED OIL, SOYBEAN OIL, AND/OR SUNFLOWER OIL), RICE FLOUR, WHEAT STARCK, MALTODEXTRIN, MONO- AND DIGLYCERIDES, SALT, DEXTROSE.

INGREDIENTS: CUCUMBERS, WATER, DISTILLED VINEGAR, SALT, CALCIUM CHLORIDE, POLYSORBATE 80, NATURAL FLAVOR, YELLOW 5.

INGREDIENTS: CRUST: WHOLE GRAIN OATS, ENRICHED FLOUR (WHEAT FLOUR, NIACIN, REDUCED IRON, VITAMIN B<sub>1</sub> [THIAMIN MONONITRATE], VITAMIN B<sub>2</sub> [RIBOFLAVIN], FOLIC ACID), WHOLE WHEAT FLOUR, SOYBEAN AND/OR CANOLA OIL, SOLUBLE CORN FIBER, SUGAR, DEXTROSE, FRUCTOSE, CALCIUM CARBONATE, WHEY, WHEAT BRAN, SALT CELLULOSE POTASSIUM BICARBONATE, NATURAL AND ARTIFICIAL FLAVOR, MONO- AND DIGLYCERIDES SOY LECITHIN, WHEAT GLUTEN, NIACINAMIDE, VITAMIN A PALMITATE, CARRAGEENAN, ZINC OXIDE, REDUCED IRON, GUAR GUM, VITAMIN B<sub>6</sub> (PYRIDOXINE HYDROCHLORIDE), VITAMIN B<sub>1</sub> (THIAMIN HYDROCHLORIDE), VITAMIN B<sub>2</sub> (RIBOFLAVIN), FILLING: INVERT SUGAR, CORN SYRUP, STRAWBERRY PUREE CONCENTRATE, GLYCEBIN, SUGAR, MODIFIED CORN STARCH, SODIUM ALGINATE, CITRIC ACID, DICALCIUM PHOSPHATE, METHYLCELLULOSE, NATURAL AND ARTIFICIAL FLAVOR, CARAMEL COLOR, MALIC ACID, RED 40.

INGREDIENTS: ALMONDMILK (FILTERED WATER, ALMONDS), CANE SUGAR, CONTAINS LESS THAN 2% OF: VITAMIN & MINERAL BLEND (CALCIUM CARBONATE, VITAMIN E ACETATE, VITAMIN A PALMITATE, VITAMIN D2), SEA SALT, NATURAL FLAVOR, SUNFLOWER LECITHIN LOCUST BEAN GUM GELLAN GUM ASCORBIC ACID (TO PROTECT FRESHNESS).

Made with stuff you can pronounce and ingredients you recognize Water, potato extract, tapioca starch, rice flour, high oleic canola/sunflower oil\* inulin, rice starch, psyllium husk, egg white, yeast, sea salt, caraway seeds xanthan gum, ground caraway seeds, vinegar, sodium bicarbonate, natural enzymes.

### CDED aims to increase...

- Fruits and vegetables (soluble fiber, resistant starches)
- Lower fat animal proteins
- Healthy oils
- Complex carbohydrates



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# CDED - formulas

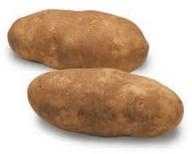
Standard	Pediasure Boost Kids Essentials
Semi- elemental	Pediasure Peptide Peptamen Junior
Elemental	Neocate Junior Elecare Junior Neocate Splash
High calorie	Pediasure 1.5 Boost Kids Essentials 1.5 Ensure Plus Boost Plus Pediasure Peptide 1.5 Peptamen Junior 1.5
New	Orgain Healthy Kids Kate Farms Pediatric Standard 1.2

# CDED – Phase 1 (weeks 1-6)

- 50% calories from formula
- 50% calories from foods
  - Mandatory:
    - 5 oz chicken breast
    - 2 eggs
    - 2 fresh potatoes, peeled
    - 1 apple, peeled
    - 2 bananas









Sigall-Boneh et.al. *Inflammatory Bowel Disease*, 20: 1353-1360; 2014 Modulife training module (mymodulife.com/experts), 2019

### Estimated formula intake – weeks 1-6

• WHO equation with stress factor 1.5 - 1.9

Age (years)	Boys (bottles Pediasure/day)	Girls (bottles Pediasure/day)
3-4	3	3
5-8	3.5	3.5
9-10	4	4
11-12	5	4.5
13-14	5.5	4.5
15+	6.5	4.5

# CDED Phase 1 - Eat

### Eat daily:

Protein foods	Carbohydrate foods	Fruits	
Fresh chicken breast (at least 5 oz) Eggs (2/day)	White potatoes, peeled (2/day)	Bananas (2/day) Apple, peeled (1/day)	

### OK to eat daily:

Protein foods	Carbohydrate foods	Fruits	Vegetables
Fresh fish (1x/wk)	White rice White rice noodles (1x/day) Rice wraps White rice flour	Avocado (1/day) Strawberries (1 c/day) Melon (1/4 c/day)	Tomatoes (2/day) Cucumbers, peeled (2/day) Carrot (1/day) Fresh spinach (1 c/day) Lettuce (1 c/day)

# CDED Phase 1 - Eat

### Condiments OK to eat daily:

Fats	Herbs/spices	Sweeteners	Other
Olive oil Canola oil	Salt Pepper Fresh/single ingredient herbs/spices	Honey (3 Tbsp/day) Sugar (2 Tbsp/day)	Onion Garlic Ginger Lemon/lime juice

# CDED Phase 1 - Avoid

Protein foods	Carbohydrate foods	Fruits	Vegetables
Processed meat and fish (chix nuggets, fish sticks, lunch meat, etc) Red meat/beef Soy products Dairy/milk products Non-dairy commercial milks Nuts	Wheat products (cereal, bread, wheat pasta, baked goods) GF commercial products Corn Oat Other flours Legumes	Dried fruit All other fruit	Canned vegetables All other vegetables

# CDED Phase 1 - Avoid

Condiments	Beverages	Other
Margarine Commercial salad dressings Syrups (maple, corn) Artificial sweeteners Mixed seasoning packets Others oils and oil sprays	Soda Boxed/bottled juice Other sweetened drinks Gatorade Coffee	Canned products Packaged snacks (potato chips, pretzels, cookies, cakes, etc.) Candy Chocolate

# Phase 1 example meal plan

BREAKFAST



Scrambled Eggs



Peeled Apple (1), 1 serving



Banana (1), 1 serving

MORNING SNACK



500 mL prepared ModulenTM (1), 1 serving

LUNCH



Strawberry Banana Smoothie

#### AFTERNOON SNACK



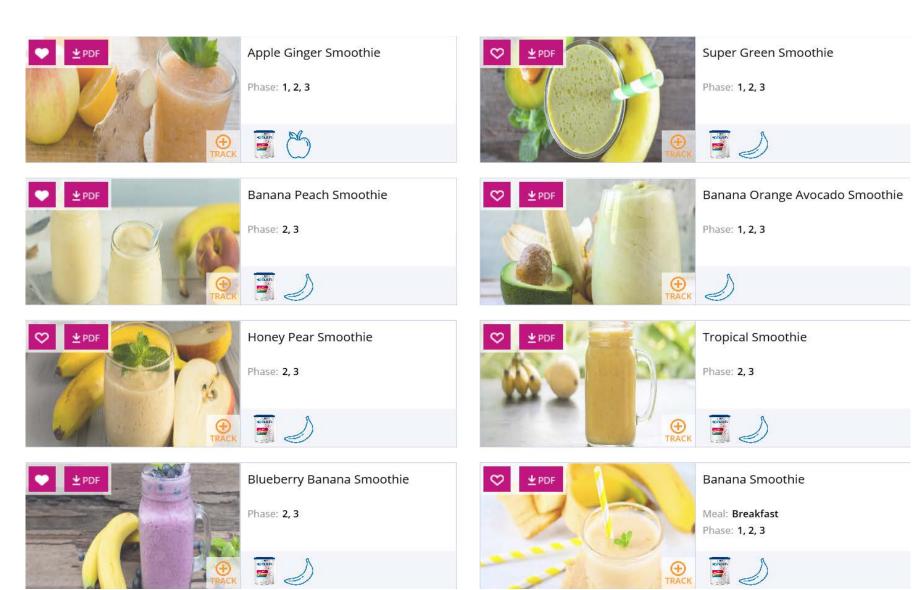
Microwave Potato Chips

#### DINNER

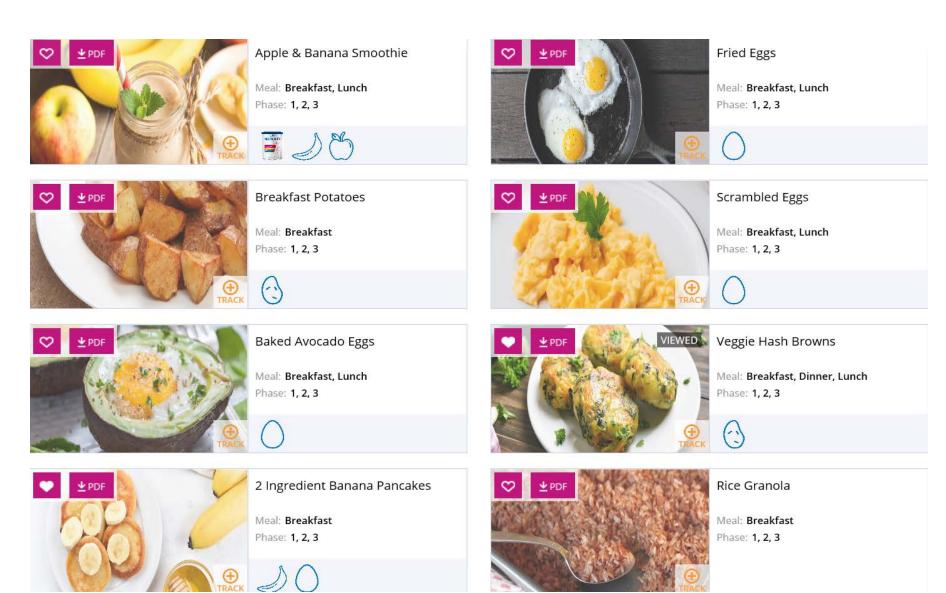


Baked Chicken & Potatoes

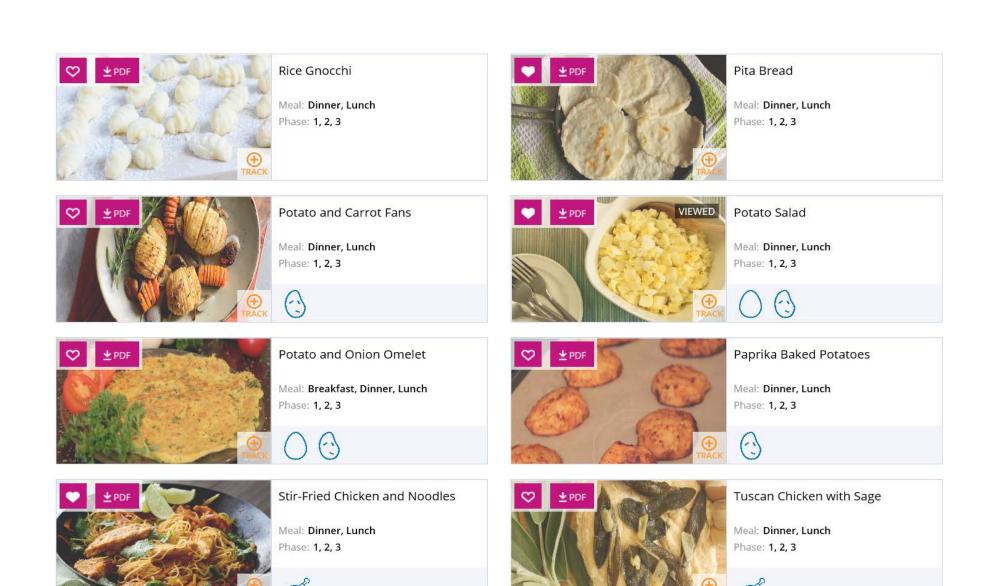
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#### Lemon & Garlic Chicken

Meal: Dinner, Lunch Phase: 1, 2, 3





#### Baked Potato

Meal: Dinner, Lunch Phase: 1, 2, 3





#### Summer Salad

Meal: Dinner, Lunch

Phase: 1, 2, 3



#### Honey Glazed Carrots

Meal: Dinner, Lunch Phase: 1, 2, 3



#### Carrot Fries

Meal: Dinner, Lunch

Phase: 1, 2, 3



#### Pesto Chicken Kebabs

Meal: Dinner, Lunch

Phase: 1, 2, 3





#### Baked Chicken Breast

Meal: Dinner, Lunch

Phase: 1, 2, 3





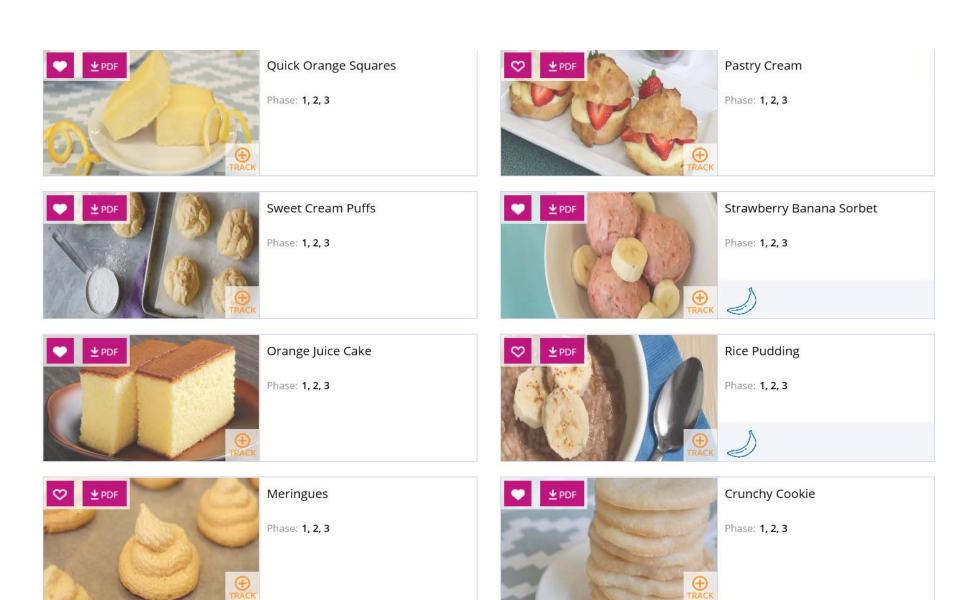
#### Potato Pancakes

Meal: Dinner, Lunch

Phase: 1, 2, 3



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# CDED – Phase 2 (weeks 7-12)



- 25% calories from formula
- 75% calories from foods
  - All fruits and vegetables
  - Red meat, tuna, nuts, beans
  - Bread, quinoa, oatmeal









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# Estimated formula intake – weeks 7-12

Age (years)	Boys (bottles Pediasure/day)	Girls (bottles Pediasure/day)
3-4	1.5	1.5
5-8	2	2
9-10	2	2
11-12	2.5	2.5
13-14	3	2.5
15+	3	2.5

# CDED Phase 2 - Eat

### Eat daily:

Protein foods	Carbohydrate foods	Fruits	
Fresh chicken breast (at least 5 oz)	White potatoes (2/day)	Bananas (2/day) Apple (1/day)	
Eggs (2/day)			

### OK to eat daily:

Protein foods	Carbohydrate foods	Fruits	Vegetables
Fresh fish (1x/wk) Lean red meat (1x/wk) Tuna (1 can/wk) Almonds, walnuts, cashews (1/4 c/day) Lentils, peas, chickpeas, beans (1/2 cup dry/day)	White rice White rice noodles (1x/day) Rice wraps White rice flour Sweet potato (1/day) Whole grain bread (1 sl/day) Quinoa Oatmeal (1/2 c/day)	All*	All**

# CDED Phase 2 - Eat

### Condiments OK to eat daily:

Fats	Herbs/spices	Sweeteners	Other
Olive oil Canola oil	Salt Pepper Fresh/single ingredient herbs/spices	Honey (3 Tbsp/day) Sugar (2 Tbsp/day)	Onion Garlic Ginger Lemon/lime juice Baking soda/powder Raw tahini (2 Tbsp/day)

# CDED Phase 2 - Avoid

Protein foods	Carbohydrate foods	Fruits	Vegetables
Processed meat and fish (chix nuggets, fish sticks, lunch meat, etc) Soy products Dairy/milk products Non-dairy commercial milks	Wheat products (cereal, wheat pasta, baked goods) GF commercial products Other flours	Dried fruit	Canned vegetables

# CDED Phase 2 - Avoid

Condiments	Beverages	Other
Margarine Commercial salad dressings Syrups (maple, corn) Artificial sweeteners Mixed seasoning packets Others oils and oil sprays	Soda Boxed/bottled juice Other sweetened drinks Gatorade Coffee	Canned products Packaged snacks (potato chips, pretzels, cookies, cakes, etc.) Candy Chocolate

# Phase 2 example meal plan

**BREAKFAST** 



Spinach & Tomato Scramble





**Home Fries** 





MORNING SNACK



**Apple Ginger Smoothie** 





LUNCH



**Honey Pear Smoothie** 





DINNER



One Pan Garlic Herb Chicken & Potatoes





Sautéed Zucchini







**EVENING SNACK** 



**Strawberry Banana Sorbet** 







#### Spinach Side Salad

Meal: Dinner, Lunch

Phase: 1, 2, 3



#### Banana Mint Salad

Meal: Dinner, Lunch

Phase: 1, 2, 3





#### Quinoa Salad

Meal: Dinner, Lunch

Phase: 2, 3



#### Summer Salad

Meal: Dinner, Lunch

Phase: 1, 2, 3



#### Chopped Salad

Meal: Dinner, Lunch

Phase: 2, 3



#### Chickpea Tuna Salad

Meal: Dinner, Lunch

Phase: 2, 3

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#### Quinoa Oatmeal

Meal: Breakfast Phase: 2, 3



#### Lentil and Rice Patties

Meal: Dinner, Lunch Phase: 2, 3



#### **Loaded Sweet Potatoes**

Meal: Dinner, Lunch Phase: 2, 3





#### Honey Almond Granola

Meal: Breakfast Phase: 2, 3



#### Hamburger

Meal: Dinner, Lunch

Phase: 2, 3



#### Chili

Meal: Dinner, Lunch Phase: 2, 3



#### Summer Vegetable Frittata

Meal: Breakfast, Dinner, Lunch

Phase: 2, 3



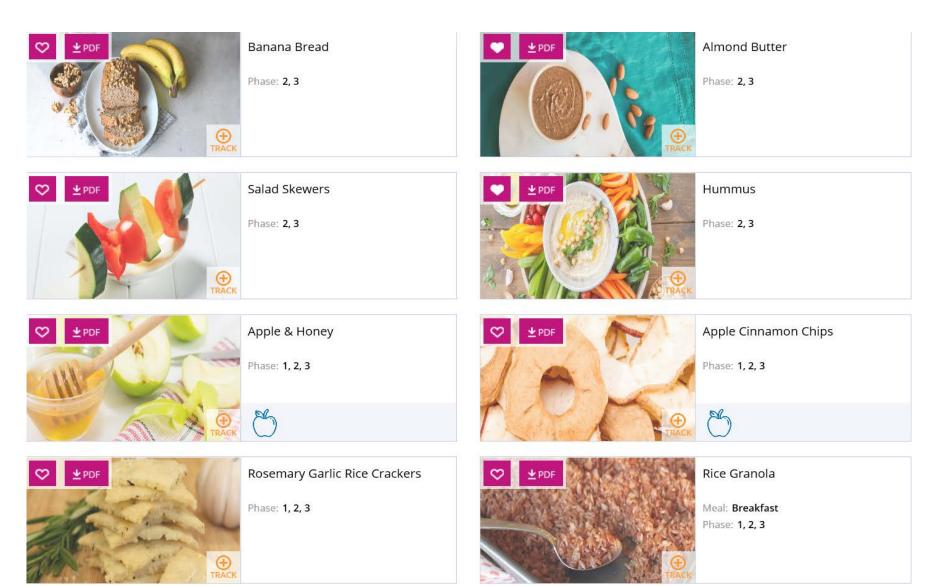


#### Pesto Chicken Kebabs

Meal: Dinner, Lunch Phase: 1, 2, 3



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## CDED Phase 3 - maintenance

- 25% calories from formula 7 days per week
- No mandatory foods
- Eat "on plan" 5 days per week
- Eat "free" meals as desired 2 days per week
  - Homemade preferred
  - Avoid binging
- One restaurant meal = one less day to eat "free" foods
- Always avoid soda, fast food, processed meats

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# CDED Phase 3 - Eat

#### OK to eat

Protein foods	Carbohydrate foods	Fruits	Vegetables
Fresh chicken breast	White potatoes (2/day)	All	All
Eggs	White rice		
Fresh fish	White rice noodles (1x/day)		
Lean red meat (1x/wk)	Rice wraps		
Tuna	White rice flour		
Almonds, walnuts, cashews	Sweet potato		
Lentils, peas, chickpeas, beans	Whole grain bread (2 sl/day)		
	Pasta (1 cup/day, in place of bread)		
Yogurt (unflavored Greek pref.,	Quinoa		
1/day)	Oatmeal		
*Hard cheese (cheddar, swiss, Colby,			
1 oz/day)			

## CDED Phase 3 - Eat

#### Condiments OK to eat:

Fats	Herbs/spices	Sweeteners	Other
Olive oil Canola oil	Salt Pepper Fresh/single ingredient	Honey (3 Tbsp/day) Sugar (2 Tbsp/day)	Onion Garlic Ginger
Butter (grass fed)* Ghee*	herbs/spices		Lemon/lime juice Baking soda/powder Raw tahini (2 Tbsp/day)  Coffee (1 c/day, brewed)

## CDED Phase 3 - Avoid

Protein foods	Carbohydrate foods	Fruits	Vegetables
Processed meat and fish (chix nuggets, fish sticks, lunch meat, etc) Soy products Non-dairy commercial milks	GF commercial products	Dried fruit	Canned vegetables

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# CDED Phase 3 – example meal plan

- Breakfast cereal with formula as "milk";
   homemade pancakes or waffles; fruit
- Lunch Grilled cheese sandwich with side salad or veggies; yogurt
- Dinner homemade pizza with veggie toppings

## ModuLife website and app

- mymodulife.com/experts
- mymodulife.com
- Modulife app (Apple and Android)



- Cooking demos (cook chicken, make French fries, smoothies)
- Meal planner
- Recipes
- Message an Expert
- Videos explaining the diet/phases/mandatory foods

## Patient feedback – Modulife platform

- Recipes are good
- App start date did not line up with actual start date (no option to adjust)

## How to educate

- Removes foods that may be worsening disease
- Can decrease inflammation and cause healing
  - May change bacteria and prevent them sticking to intestines
- Increased fruits/vegs and fewer processed foods will help you be healthy
  - NOT "no more processed foods for you ever again!"
  - This is a balanced diet
- Diet is like a drug works well for most, may not work for all
- Diet changes every 6 weeks
- "If it is not on the list, it does not exist."



### Pediatric Patient and Parent Experiences With Crohn's Disease Exclusion Diet: Barriers and Facilitators to Implementation



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- Pediatric patient and family barriers and facilitators to CDED implementation
- Subject characteristics
  - 18 dyads
  - 78% new onset disease
  - Average patient age: 14.7 yr
  - Average weeks attempted: 9
  - ~90% parents had completed some college and working full time
  - Average household income
    - 33% = \$50-75k
    - 27% = \$75-100k
    - 27% = >\$100k
    - Pittsburgh, PA = \$58k

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#### **Barriers**

- Financial
- Difficulty conceptualizing diet
- Poor cooking skills
- Social isolation
- Patient/parent frustration
- Time consuming

#### **Facilitators**

- Resilience to challenge
- Empowerment in disease tx
- Motivation based on improvement
- Cooking/organizational creativity
- Food literacy

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