

# **General Health Tips**



Sleep is a key component in the body's recovery process when building muscle. It can also influence hunger and satiety, energy production, and motivation for physical activity. Getting a good night's sleep is helpful for everyone.. An adequate sleep schedule of seven to nine hours per night can maintain physical, emotional, and mental health.

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### **Stay Hydrated!**

In relation to fitness and exercise, water can...

- Naturally suppress hunger because thirst, which is triggered by mild dehydration, is often mistaken for hunger by the brain
- Stimulate your metabolism
- · Increase activity due to hydrated muscle cells
- Help the body remove waste
- Burn fat
- Improve motivation and reduce stress

## **Track Your Food!**

It is important to know exactly what you are consuming and where your current caloric intake stands. Many find that they don't eat enough (or vice versa)!



Download the app: myfitnesspal

And start tracking!

We recommend tracking for approximately one to two weeks to get a solid idea of where you're at.



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### Eat Whole Foods!

Take care of your body by choosing to fuel it with whole foods.

- Read ingredient labels If you can't pronounce an ingredient, it probably isn't good for you. Stick to single ingredient, non-processed foods as much as possible.
- Limit sugar intake.
- Be cautious of liquid calories! This includes, but is not limited to sugary coffees, sauces/dressing, and alcohol. These calories can add up fast!



#### **Prioritize Protein!**

Aim for a daily protein intake between .73 and 1 grams of protein per pound of body weight.

Ex. If you weight 120 lbs, you should aim to get at least 87.6 grams of protein per day!

### **Keep Tracking!**

As you make diet changes, continue tracking using your daily food log. This allows you to



identify what foods may or may not be working in your favor.

