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## **MODULE I: ASSESS & PREP**

- 1. What you need and what you don't
  - Checklist Score (pre) for areas of improvement
  - NAP Tracking
  - · Pantry Raid: remove and replace
  - Readiness Questionnaire
  - Mode and place for cardiovascular and resistance exercise
  - · Good shoes, good kitchen utensils: blender, crockpot, grill
  - · No fancy or expensive special equipment
  - Support outside coaching for your changes who will they affect?

## 2. Designing Your Program

- Focus first on skills, strategies, activities, recipes you already know and like
- Don't try to take on something you think you can't do forever
- Progress Not Perfection is what you're after (with one exception)
- Goal setting will focus on progression from NOW to Realistic Ideal
- Optimal > Second Best > When All Else Fails Plan
- Limiting Beliefs

#### 3. Discover New Options and Evaluate Obstacles

- Why are you not at your goal NOW? Knowing this is BIG.
- How do you feel about exercise? Do you know what to do?
- How do you feel about good nutrition? Do you know what is "good" for you now?
- What have you tried?
- How did it go?
- What would you like to be "better?" Results Experience
- Plan Plan Plan, Then Be Flexible. (e.g. choose a kitchen prep day)
- Snacks Can Be Your Friend (or not), Fat is your friend; Sugar is not
- Movement vs Exercise is an important distinction
- Complete the Readiness form for your own benefit

# EAT SMART

- 4. Eat Smart, Unlearn & Relearn
  - 80% of your success is nutrition. You can't out-exercise poor nutrition.
  - Old Way and New Way of Reaching Goals
  - Fact: You have to get comfortable in the kitchen
  - Tools, props, support can make "fast" food at home possible
  - Carrying meals and snacks might be a must for you: consider a cooler
  - No one in your family needs to eat poorly
  - Whole foods, recently alive, highest quality you can afford (organics)
     First Steps:
    - Start with a protein-rich breakfast 30+gms
    - Include low GL fruits and veggies at every meal (non-starchy veg)
    - Build around a high-quality protein at every meal
    - o Protein-rich lunch
    - Protein-rich dinner w/ some slow-release carb
    - o Leave 2-3 hours minimum between dinner and bedtime
    - Snacks between meals to prevent low blood sugar\* depending
    - Shoot for 3 cups of leafy greens\* a day and 3 more other veggies
    - Healthy fat: salmon, coconut oil, avocado, nuts and seeds, EVO
    - Don't count calories: make your calories count
  - Blending all or part helps you absorb more nutrients (smoothies, soups) and may be a welcome "liver" and digestive break
  - Avoid inflammatory seed oils: canola oil (commercial salad dressings), sunflower, safflower
  - Use Avocado or coconut oil for higher degree stir-frying, or EVO for other
  - Drink water like it's your job: buy lemons, or oranges (citrus supports pH balancing and helps you drink more)
  - If it's artificial: it's making you fat, sick or draining energy. Choose real.
  - If it has a barcode: read the ingredients EVERY time.

#### 5. Ditch the Diet Mentality

- Eat MORE of the right foods: you can't eat too many vegetables
- Slow down.
- Adopt Japanese rules: Hara Hachi Bu, start with soup, don't eat on the go, in your car or doing anything else while you're eating (no computer, no TV)
- Know that you're never going to be hungry, there's a snack or meal right around the corner.

- If there is a food you really want, it should be included regularly: don't give it any power by telling yourself you can't have it. Chocolate, Pizza, Pasta and Ranch dressing fit. We're just going to find a new way to prepare foods.
- You do want to go through a period of back-to-basics to rebalance: avoiding: sugar, farmed meat, wheat/gluten, dairy, eggs, soy, peanuts and potentially caffeine during the Elimination Diet if you've not recently done it. (You can eliminate meat separately after you've done the rest
- If you're not used to eating breakfast...you will want to start. Small steps.
- Remember that 30gms protein at a time is required for you to KEEP or increase lean muscle so you can boost metabolism to lose fat if needed, maintain bone density, and age optimally.

### 6. Specifics In Goals

- From Now to Next Week Closing A Gap On Ideal
- First Things First
- Weigh, measure, record inches and answer subjective questions
- Three-Day NAP Tracking
- Five-Day pH Tracking
- Next, 30-Day Tracking
- Exercise: Keep it the same or begin but no formal goal yet
- Pantry Raid: If you have it in your house, you will eat it; processed items take you further away from your goal
- Five Star Food List to restock

## 7. Build a Better Language Bank

- Want to vs. have to, should, could, would have
- Start exercise>let yourself stop if after 10 minutes the reason for not doing
  it is still there
- Appointment
- · Something is better than nothing
- A half hour less of sleep is worth the consistency you're trying to build right now
- Your brain works better at intervals of 90-120 minutes: take an activity break!
- Focus on the Dos, the CAN haves. Don't go Hungry, Start tuning IN again
- Progress not perfection
- You can eat anywhere including out, you just may not want to

#### Homework Module One:

- Record your "Score" on the Checklist. Add any questions that come up for you to the Facebook page. Start filling out the grid on your copy.
- Answer the Readiness to Change Form (for you to keep)
- Measure what Matters: weight, inches, body fat (NOT BMI)
- Add subjective scores too (My Progress in your account)
- Do a Pantry Raid. Take a Before and After picture and post to the FB page! Or send to me (if you're not on FB and I will post!)

Please post your questions to the private Facebook group page.