1-Day Sample 1200 Meal Plan Using Carbohydrate Exchange Lists

Carbohydrate Goals: 45 grams carbohydrate per meal, 0-15 grams carbohydrate per snack

	Starches	Fruits	Milk	Nonstarchy Vegetables	Total Carbohydrate
Breakfast	1	1	1	3	45 grams
1 small banana					
34 cup corn flakes					
1 cup fat-free milk					
Lunch	2	1		1	50 grams
For sandwich:					
2 slices whole wheat bread					
2 ounces chicken breast					
2 tablespoons avocado					
1 cup raw carrot & celery sticks					
1 small apple					
Snack					15 grams
6 ounces non-fat fruited yogurt with					
sugar-free sweetener					
Dinner	2	1		1	50 grams
2 ounces prime rib					
1/2 large baked potato					
1½ tablespoons reduced-fat sour cream					
½ cup cooked green beans					
1 tsp olive oil					
3 almonds, sliced					
1 cup melon balls					

For fruit, milk and starch: 1 carbohydrate exchange = 15 grams carbohydrate For non-starchy vegetables: 1 serving of carbohydrate = 5 grams carbohydrate

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