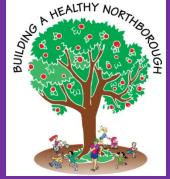


Access to Healthy Foods: MetroWest Healthy Dining Week

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Ice Breaker: What is your role?

1.	MiM coordinator	0%
2.	Municipal staff	0%
3.	Community partner	0%
4.	Statewide or regional agency/organization	0%
5.	Other	0%



Ice Breaker: Are you part of a Mass in Motion coalition?

1. Yes 0%

2. No 0%



Icebreaker: If you're part of a MiM coalition, are you working on healthy dining?

1. Yes 0%

2. No 0%



Structure

Steering Committee

- Directors of Public Health
- Chair Board of Health
- Director of Planning
- Town Engineer
- Community Development Director
- Community Advocates
- Conservation Officer
- Economic Development Director
- Physician

Coordination Team



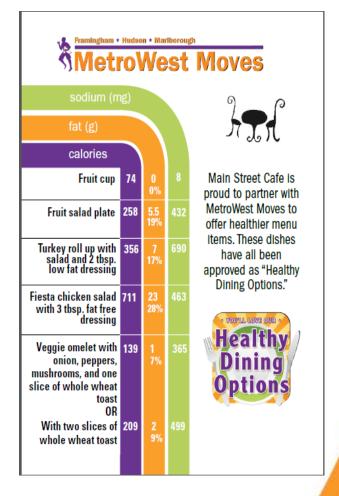




Healthy Dining

Partnering with local restaurants to make healthy food options available to customers









Healthy Dining Initiative

- Target: Non-chain (MWM), downtown location, ethnic, anyone!
- Process/requirements
 - Application
 - Menu analysis
 - Approval
 - Tailored signage developed
 - Implementation

WE ALTHY NOATHUR OF THE STATE O	calories (kcal)	% calories from fat	sodium (mg)
BASIC EGGS IN A CUP WITH TOMATOES, SPINACH & FETA CHEESE + FLATBREAD	352	27%	685
SMOOTHIE WITHOUT WHIPPED CREAM	213	2%	72
SMOOTHIE WITH WHIPPED CREAM	305	21%	77
THE CALIFORNIA BRUNCH	435	26%	730
A HOT SPOT TO CHILL			



Healthy Dining - Requirements

- Communicate with MWM/BHN to obtain ingredient information (3-5 meals)
- Create, modify or promote menu items that meet criteria
- Highlight healthier options with decals and table tents/menu inserts in restaurant
- Display Healthy Dining
 Options seal of approval in window





Criteria

- Calories <600-750
- <30-35% of calories from fat (or <23-25 grams of fat)
- <480-750 mg sodium



Checkerboards is proud to partner with MetroWest Moves to offer healthier menu items. The following dishes have all been approved as "Healthy Dining Options."



Restaurant & Bar

GARDEN SALAD WITH GRILLED CHICKEN (1.75 OZ. DRESSING, NO OLIVES, NO MARINADE ON THE CHICKEN) AND BAKED SYRIAN BREAD

473 calories, 11.5g fat (22%), 709mg sodium

GRILLED EGGPLANT FLAT BREAD PIZZA WITH SPINACH, RED PEPPERS, GOAT CHEESE, MARINARA, AND MOZZARELLA (HALF OF THE PIZZA)

637 calories, 18g fat (24%), 726mg sodium

Over 6 oz. rice pilaf:

701 calories, 19g fat (24%), 736mg sodium

With side salad and orzo: 711 calories, 23g fat (29%), 504mg sodium

With side salad and broccoli: 511 calories, 18g fat (32%), 587mg sodium

With side salad and sautéed spinach: 492 calories, 20g fat (36%), 614mg sodium

With side salad and baked potato (1 tbsp. sour cream, 1 pat of butter): 704 calories, 24g fat (31%), 551mg sodium

SMALL TURKEY BREAST SANDWICH (NO PICKLE)

543 calories, 17g fat (27%), 730mg sodium





Healthy Dining Criteria: Which do YOU think is most challenging to approve?

1.	Calories	0%
2.	Fat	0%
3.	Sodium	0%



Healthy Dining Week: Where to start?

- Statewide coordination?
- Timeframe?
- How restaurants participate?
- How patrons participate?
- Incentives (restaurants, patrons)?
- Media/awareness?
- → Steering Committee planning meetings
- → Key informant interviews with restaurants





Getting it off the Ground: Communications/materials development

- Graphic designer
- Logo
- Protocol
- Awareness/dissemination materials



Logo Design: Which would YOU pick?

1. Option A

0%

2. Option B

0%

Option A





Option B









Getting it off the Ground: Logistics/protocol

- Participation open to all approved restaurants (but not required)
- Must display Healthy Dining week signage and approved menus
- Restaurant buy-in



Restaurant Buy-In: What would YOU ask for?

1.	Discount (e.g., 10% off) on healthy dining	0%
	approved meals	
2.	Gift card donation to be raffled off	0%
3.	Create special menu for Healthy Dining	0%
	Week (like Boston Restaurant Week)	



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- Patron engagement/incentive



Patron Buy-In: How would YOU have patrons enter?

A.	Fill out raffle card in restaurant to enter	0%
B.	Use social media to enter	0%
C.	Both A & B	0%
D.	Other	0 70
		0%



Advertising and Promotion

- Online newspapers: MetroWest Daily News, PATCH
- **Print newspapers**: MetroWest Daily News, Hudson Sun, Marlborough Enterprise, Framingham TAB, Telegram Towns (Northboro/Shrewsbury/Westboro)
- **Print flyers:** Library, senior center, Town/City hall
- Social media: Websites, Facebook, Twitter
- Email/Listservs



Online Advertising



(Online ad sponsor button)



(PATCH online ad)



Print Advertising









Community flyer









In-store signage











Advertising and Promotion: How many people do YOU think we reached?

A.	30,000	0%
B.	55,000	0%
C.	80,000	0%
D.	110,000	0%



Healthy Dining Week: Who we Reached

- Print and online advertising
 - -86,967 views
- Social media
 - 18,557 views/followers
- Flyers distributed
 - -4,481

Total = 110,005 views







Healthy Dining Week: What restaurants had to say

"We think more customers ordered these choices during this period of time."

"We very much appreciated being part of the healthy dining week."

"I would
definitely
participate
again next year."

"We had a great time participating and having some talking points about the Healthy Dining week with our customers... We believe it made an impact in the fact that our employees and our customers were made aware of something new and beneficial to the community. We encourage you to keep going and believe that this will be a popular event in the future."

"Yes, more customers did order it. The total tally for all of healthy dining week is 22 meals which is a bit higher than our usual for the same period."

"The promotional materials helped to make people aware of healthy choices on our menu."

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Lessons Learned

- Lots of work to pull off!
 - BUT now other MiM coalitions can share/adapt
- Provide alternate options for raffle entry
- Staff/server awareness
- Community awareness/dissemination
- Monitoring



Healthy Dining Week: Would YOU do it?

1. Yes 0%

2. No 0%



Questions?



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