

Understanding Cholesterol For Healthy Living

Balancing "Good" and "Bad" Cholesterol

Cholesterol is found in hamburger, steak, chicken, fish, and just about every other animal-based food. It's also a natural substance created by the liver which has both health benefits and health risks.

David Joseph, M.D., a Texas -based family practitioner, says people seeking to lower their levels of "bad" cholesterol—called low density lipoprotein (LDL)—can begin by eating less food sources that contain LDL.

The three main food sources of LDL in your diet are saturated fat, which is a type of fat found mostly in foods that come from animals; trans fat, found mostly in foods made with hydrogenated oils and fats—such as stick margarine, crackers, and french fries; and cholesterol, which comes only from animal products.

"Cutting your intake of these food sources could help to lower your cholesterol levels," says Dr. Joseph. "Some foods, such as whole grains and whole-wheat products, and nuts such as walnuts, almonds, and brazil nuts, may have a healthy effect on blood cholesterol levels."

Instead of animal-based foods like hydrogenated oils and fats, Dr. Joseph suggests considering things like omega-3 fatty acids, which are found in fatty fish like tuna, salmon or mackerel, as well as fish oil supplements, flaxseeds and flaxseed oil.



September is National Cholesterol Awareness Month

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Alzheimer's Assocation Walk to End Alzheimer's[®] Engages And Inspires Northwest Houston

The Alzheimer's Association is inviting Northwest Houston residents to unite in a movement to reclaim the future for millions by participating in the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's. Vintage Park, 114 Vintage Park Blvd., Houston, TX 77070 will be the site of Walk on September 22 at 7:30 a.m.

Walk to End Alzheimer's is more than a walk. It is an experience for about 1000 participants in Northwest Houston who will learn about Alzheimer's disease and how to get involved with this critical cause, from advocacy opportunities, the latest in Alzheimer's research and clinical trial enrollment to support programs and services. Each walker will also join in a meaningful ceremony to honor those affected by Alzheimer's disease.

Alzheimer's disease is a growing epidemic and is now the nation's sixth-leading cause of death. As baby boomers age, the number of individuals living with Alzheimer's disease will rapidly escalate, increasing well beyond today's estimated 5.4 million Americans living with Alzheimer's. In addition to the 5K/3.1 miles, participants will enjoy a fun welcoming ceremony and warm up accompanied by a DJ and a special tribute to those who have experienced or are experiencing Alzheimer's. Start or join a team today at alz.org/walk

There has never been a greater need for citizens in the Northwest

Houston area to join in the fight against Alzheimer's disease by participating in Walk to End Alzheimer's." said Kiri Cook Soprano, an Alzheimer's Association Outreach Coordinator. "Funds raised will provide care and support services to the 340,000 residents of Texas living with Alzheimer's, while also contributing to advancing critically needed research."

ABOUT THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S:

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