# Conditions caused or affected by diet

### **Developmental**

- Learning (Intellectual) Disability
- Developmental Delay
- Chromosomal Disorders eg Down Syndrome
- Autism
- Cerebral Palsy

#### Health and wellbeing

- Obesity
- Malnutrition (underweight)
- Dehydration
- · High cholesterol (Hyperlipidaemia)
- Diabetes
- Food allergies and intolerances eg Crohn's and Coeliac Disease
- Dysphagia (difficulty eating and drinking)
- Brittle bones (osteoporosis)
- Pressure areas eg bed sores
- Heart attack
- Asthma
- Emphysema
- Bronchitis
- Anxiety and stress
- Terminal care
- · Gastrointestinal (stomach) discomfort

### **Neurological**

- Stroke (CVA)
- Parkinson's
- Multiple Sclerosis (MS)
- Dementia
- · Motor Neurone Disease
- Huntington's
- Muscular Dystrophy
- Brain/head injury

## Therapy Professionals Dietitians

Our therapists work with the elderly, adults and children who have a disability, injury or illness. Their special interests are learning (intellectual) and/or physical disabilities.

#### We work closely with:

- families/whanau
- · caregivers
- our team of Physio, Speech Language, Music and Occupational Therapists
- other professionals
- · workplaces, employers and schools

## We support organisations by providing:

- Dietitians on contract
- documentation systems
- staff training eg healthy eating
- assistance to develop dietary and nutrition policies and procedures
- menu planning and review
- menu audits

Allied Health Sector Standards (NZS8175) certification in progress

We can help.

Contact us now 03 377 5280

We come to you.



Physio, Speech Language, Music, Occupational Therapists and Dietitians

# Having trouble with your diet and health?

#### **Dietetics**

You don't have to struggle alone.

We can help.

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## **Dietitians**

- help you maintain and improve your health and wellbeing, and prevent illness through good nutrition.
- understand the relationship between ageing, disability, injury or illness, and your nutrition.

#### Our Dietitians are:

- registered under an Act of Parliament
- educated, knowledgeable and have the skills to help you.
- up to date with latest trends and research
- able to prescribe:
  - nutrition supplements
  - tube feed formulas
  - vitamin and mineral supplements
- skilled in working with children, adults and older people

They follow a Code of Ethics.

For more information on Dietetics
<a href="http://www.dietitians.org.nz">http://www.dietitians.org.nz</a>
<a href="http://www.dietitiansboard.org.nz">http://www.dietitiansboard.org.nz</a>

## Having problems with?

- unplanned weight loss or gain
- a restricted diet eg gluten free, vegetarian, dairy free
- high cholesterol
- heart burn (reflux)
- high or low blood sugars
- stomach cramps, bloating, nausea or vomiting
- loose bowel motions
- constipation
- wounds that won't heal
- brittle bones (osteoporosis)
- dry mouth
- tube feeding
- fatigue, low energy, dietary deficiences

Therapy wherever you live, work, play, or learn

## We can help

Our Dietitians will give practical solutions for:

- maintaining health
- balanced diet
- personalised meal planning and cooking
- grocery shopping
- reading nutritional labels
- keeping food safe to eat (food hygiene)
- portion size
- fluid intake
- healthy eating on a budget
- nutrition supplement use
- reducing the risk of chronic disease eg diabetes, heart disease

With you, and those supporting you, they will:

- tailor a plan for you and help you put it into action
- review plan if required
- recommend supplements, equipment and funding