# LOW SUGAR EATING

#### WHY WORRY ABOUT SUGAR?

Too much sugar can increase your risk of heart disease, diabetes and kidney disease.

#### **HOW MUCH SUGAR SHOULD YOU HAVE?**

The recommended amount of sugar is less than six teaspoons of added sugar per day.

### TIPS FOR LOWERING YOUR SUGAR INTAKE

- Look for "added sugars" on food labels

  Examples: high fructose corn syrup, cane syrup,
  molasses, sucrose, dextrose, brown rice syrup, honey
  & maple syrup
- Buy foods and drinks labeled "unsweetened" or "no sugar added"
- Add flavor by using extracts, spices & citrus zests



## **SUGAR IN DRINKS**

12 oz. can of cola = 10 teaspoons

8 oz. bottled coffee drink = 8 teaspoons

8 oz. lemon ice tea = **6 teaspoons** 

8 oz. orange juice = 6 teaspoons

