

# Meeting Guidelines

MAKE HEALTHY DECISIONS WHEN PLANNING MEETINGS • AUGUST 2016



# Making healthy decisions when planning an Intermountain or SelectHealth meeting will support the LiVe Well and Shared Accountability initiatives

# LiVe Well Healthy Meetings include three key components:

- 1. The majority of meetings DO NOT require a meal or snack; use the guidelines to determine if a meeting meets the criteria to provide catering.
- 2. When the meeting schedule fits the criteria for providing food and/or beverages, follow the guidelines to choose catering wisely.
- 3. Incorporate physical activity in meetings that last more than one hour.

#### **GUIDELINES FOR SCHEDULING MEETINGS**

- Avoid scheduling meetings during meal times; breaks from work during the day are important for everyone
- Build in time to transition between meetings to allow for stretches and breaks
- Build physical stretch breaks into meeting agendas when the meeting lasts more than one hour; allow participants to stand during meetings
- Build in a 15-minute physical activity break during a full-day meeting, in addition to short 5-minute breaks

## **GUIDELINES FOR CHOOSING CATERING WISELY**

- Order catering from Intermountain's Lighter Fare Catering Menu, where available
- Order smaller portions and use smaller plates
- Request light sauces and salad dressings served on the side
- Choose whole grains
- Select broth-based soups instead of cream-based soups
- Avoid fried foods
- Avoid sugar-sweetened sodas
- Omit dessert or select a healthy option

### **GUIDELINES FOR CATERING MEETINGS**

The majority of meetings do not require a meal or snack; use these guidelines to determine when catering is appropriate and if applicable, how to choose catering wisely:

- Beverages and healthy snacks may be served during a meeting scheduled for more than two hours or an employee celebration event
- A healthy continental breakfast may be provided during a meeting which begins earlier than 7 am
- If a meeting is required during a lunch hour, please refer to the guidelines for choosing catering wisely
- If catering is provided, obtain RSVPs before ordering to eliminate waste
- A water decanter or pitcher used with Intermountain paper cups is the preferred beverage



#### **Continental Breakfast Suggestions**

- Fresh fruit
- Yogurt, granola
- Whole grain breads, bagels, or small muffins

#### **Healthy Snack Suggestions**

- Fruit (whole, cut, or dried)
- Nuts and seeds
- Reduced-fat cheese (string cheese)
- Trail or snack mix lower in fat and sodium



