

IRON DEFICIENCY ANEMIA

Nutritional Support Protocol

Lifestyle Recommendations:

- 1. Do not take thyroid medication or any medications with your iron supplement.
- 2. Take your iron supplement with a meal.
- 3. Avoid antacids.
- 4. Be aware that excessive sweating and endurance exercise increases iron needs.

Dietary Recommendations:

- 1. Protein foods contain the most iron followed by green leafy vegetables, so be sure to eat adequate protein at every meal and green vegetables daily. Consume iron rich foods with protein foods to enhance iron absorption.
- 2. Eat 3 meals daily. Do not skip meals.
- 3. Include the following high iron foods into your regular diet: steak, hamburger, red kidney beans (chili), spinach, collard greens, mustard greens, dark green salad.

Supplement Recommendations:

In addition to the core nutrient program recommended by your Health Care Professional and/ or from the results of your most recent Designs for Health Metabolic Profile:

Ferrochel Iron Chelate: 1 to 2 capsules daily **Ultra B12-Folate:** 1 to 2 capsules daily

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