

## **MENOPAUSE**

# **Nutritional Support Protocol**

(This program can be used with or without Hormone Replacement Therapy)

### Lifestyle Recommendations:

- 1. Quit smoking.
- 2. Limit alcohol consumption.
- 3. Daily exercise will help relieve stress, improve moods, and improve insulin function. Participate in a regular balanced exercise program that includes wearing a pedometer to ensure that you collect steps and move more. High intensity short bursts (20-60 seconds) of activity during the day is recommended to enhance growth hormone release. Also engage in resistance training that works all major muscle groups (work each group at least 2 times a week).
- 4. Practice good sleep habits and get between 8-9 hours of sleep a night. Take the "Are You Getting Enough Sleep?" questionnaire and follow the Insomnia Nutritional Support Protocol if needed.
- 5. Reduce stress levels and avoid extra obligations.

#### Dietary Recommendations:

- 1. Eat lean, clean quality protein at each meal to stabilize blood sugar levels. Cold water fish is ideal.
- 2. Avoid sugar, refined carbohydrates, hydrogenated vegetable oils and trans fats.
- 3. Replace sugar with the polyol sugar xylitol.
- 4. Foods that contain phytoestrogens are helpful for ridding hot flashes. Examples of these foods are ground flax seeds, nuts, whole grains, apples, fennel, celery, parsley and alfalfa.
- 5. It is important to consume adequate amounts of antioxidants which can be obtained daily through 5-9 servings of vegetables and fruit (fruits must be limited to 1 -2 per day due to sugar content). If you are unable to get in 5-9 servings of vegetables & fruit you can take 1-2 tablespoons of PaleoGreens and PaleoReds.

#### 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:

**FemGuard+Balance:** 1 with breakfast, lunch and dinner, 3 per day

**Adrenotone:** 1 with breakfast and lunch, 2 per day

**Phosphatidylcholine:** 1/2 tablespoon of powder or 4 softgels with food 2 softgels with breakfast and dinner, 4 per day

**Phosphatidylserine:** 1 capsule with breakfast, lunch and dinner, 3 per day 1 capsule per day (if confirmed to be low on laboratory

testing)

**DIM•Avail:** 1-2 capsules per day

*If needed for fluid retention:* 

**Water Ease:** 1 capsule with breakfast and lunch, 2 per day

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