

MODULE 5 WATER & NUTRITIOUS BEVERAGES



PART 1

One way to make good nutritional decisions is to be aware of fallacies related to water and beverages.



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Drinking distilled water on a regular, daily basis is potentially dangerous to one's health. Distillation is the process in which water is boiled, evaporated and the vapor condensed. Distilled water is an active absorber and promotes discharge of some minerals from the body.



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This, in turn, may lead to electrolyte imbalance resulting in irregular heartbeat, blood pressure changes and weakness. While more studies are needed to investigate this, filtered mineral water is deemed safer to drink.



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Filtered mineral water can also help increase intake of some minerals such as calcium, phosphorus and magnesium, which are usually dissolved in water.



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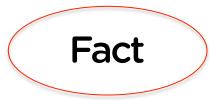


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Lactose intolerance refers to an inability to digest lactose, a substance found in milk. There is a higher incidence of lactose intolerance among Asians, compared to Americans and Europeans.



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A person with lactose intolerance may experience bloating, abdominal pain, and diarrhea whenever he or she drinks milk. Because of the resulting discomfort, a person suffering from lactose intolerance tends to reduce his or her consumption of dairy products, which may increase their risk for



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osteoporosis. To improve milk tolerance, individuals suffering from lactose intolerance should gradually re-introduce milk into their diet. They can also compensate by consuming dairy products with low lactose content, like yogurt and cheese.



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Milk is the best source of calcium because each serving contains about 2/3 of the recommended daily calcium intake. In addition, milk contains other nutrients, such as protein and vitamin D, which facilitate the body's absorption of calcium.



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Milk and other dairy products are not fattening. Some studies even show that milk drinkers tend to stay within healthy weight ranges compared to non-drinkers. Weight gain is a result of excess energy intake from food coupled by a sedentary lifestyle.



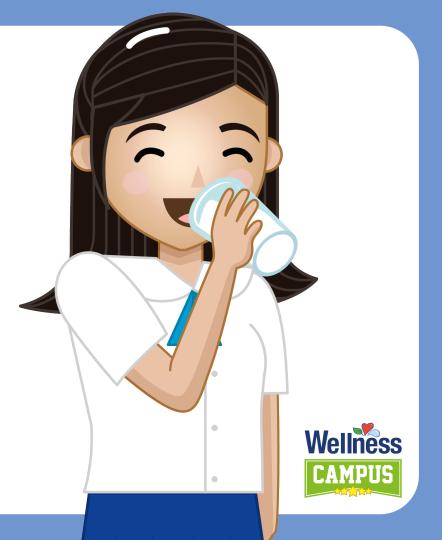
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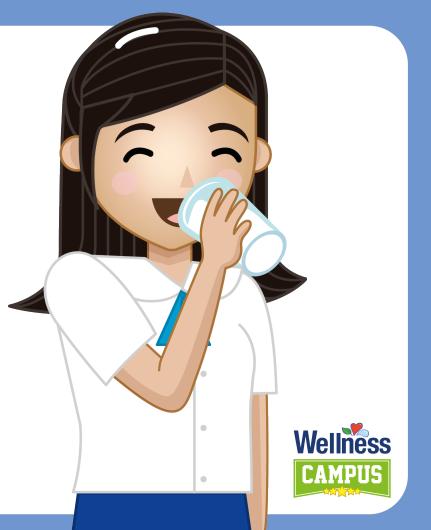
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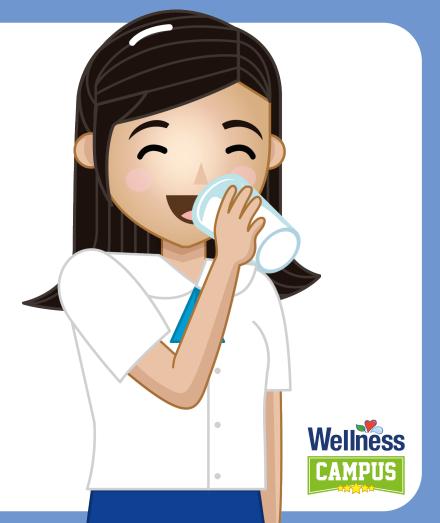
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Drinking water helps to remove waste (i.e. urine and stool) from our body.



Water can be found in our blood, so water actually helps in bringing nutrients all over our bodies.



Water helps our skin and eyes from becoming dry.



Children and adolescents should drink the recommended amount of water daily:

- 6-9 years old: 6 glasses or more each day
- 10-12 years old: 8 glasses or more each day
- 13-18 years old: 9 to 12 glasses of water or more each day.





If you feel thirsty, it means that your body needs some more water. Do not wait until you feel thirsty before you drink water.









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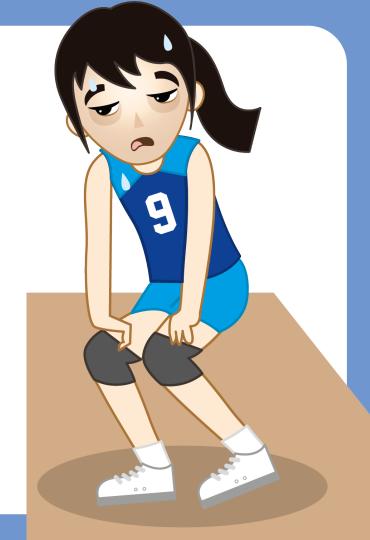
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Individuals with osteoporosis have high risk of bone fracture, limiting quality of life.





SIGNIFICANT SOURCES OF CALCIUM

- milk and dairy products (e.g. yoghurt and cheese)
- dark green leafy vegetables
- fish with bones eaten (e.g. sardines)

