

## MY Goal Setting Tool

Choose **SMART** goals, your goal should be:

**Specific:** What exactly do you want to achieve?

**Measurable:** Goal should be something measurable, e.g. eating a certain number of servings of fruits and vegetables each day

**Attainable:** Given your current situation, are you able to achieve this goal right now?

**Realistic:** Ask yourself “Is this a goal I could start today or tomorrow?” If the answer is No, this may not be a realistic goal

**Timely:** Choose a time frame for your goal, e.g. “Next week I will go for a walk every day after dinner”

Ideas for goals to improve your heart health:

*Eat at least 5 servings of whole grains per day*

*Switch to skim milk, low fat cheese*

*Eat at least 7 servings of fruits and vegetables each day*

*Start using unsaturated fat oils and margarines in cooking and baking in place of saturated fats (butter, lard, coconut oil)*

*Consume less than 200mg cholesterol per day*

*Eat two servings of fish each week*

*Eat 1-2g plant sterols each day*

*Get at least 30 mins moderate-high intensity exercise each day*

Goal (be Specific!):

Details (timeline, where, how):

Barriers to achieving my goal (e.g. finding enough time, cost):

Steps I will take:

Confidence (Scale of 0-10):

\*You should be *at least* 70% confident that you can achieve your goal