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The foods we consume have a significant impact on our overall health and wellbeing. The Australian Dietary Guidelines (2013) provide guidance on the types and amounts of food to include in your diet for optimal health and to reduce the risk of diet-related diseases. While there is no one-size-fits-all dietary plan, these guidelines are based on scientific evidence and apply to all healthy Australians as well as those with common health conditions. The five main guidelines focus on achieving a healthy weight, enjoying a variety of nutritious foods, limiting unhealthy foods, encouraging breastfeeding, and caring for your food. The guidelines recommend: 1. Achieving and maintaining a healthy weight through physical activity and nutrient-rich eating. 2. Enjoying a diverse range of nutritious foods from the five core food groups every day. 3. Limiting intake of saturated fat, added salt, added sugars, and alcohol. 4. Encouraging breastfeeding for optimal health benefits. 5. Caring for your food and storing it safely. The five core food groups are: vegetables and legumes, fruit, grain (cereal) foods, lean meats and poultry, fish, eggs, tofu, nuts, seeds, and legumes/beans, and milk, yoghurt, cheese, and their alternatives. The guidelines provide specific recommendations for daily intake from each group to ensure adequate energy and nutrients. It is recommended to choose mostly whole foods or minimally processed foods, as they retain most of their original nutritional value. Foods in the five core groups can be combined to create meals, snacks, and drinks. Discretionary choices, such as sweet biscuits, cakes, and processed meats, should be limited due to their high kilojoule content and low nutrient value. The revised Australian Dietary Guidelines, released in February 2013, emphasize a balanced diet with foods and food groups rather than nutrients. The guidelines focus on the impact of food on health outcomes such as weight gain, heart disease, and certain cancers. Key changes include: - A new guideline recommending limits on saturated fat, added salt, added sugars, and alcohol. - Adjusted serving recommendations for milk, yoghurt, cheese, and alternatives; lean meat and poultry, fish, eggs, tofu, nuts, seeds, and legumes/beans; and grain (cereal) foods. - A halved standard serve size for grain foods, except for pregnant and breastfeeding women. - A daily allowance for unsaturated fats, oils, and spreads for those over 2 years old. - Recommended intakes for children under 4 years old.

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