











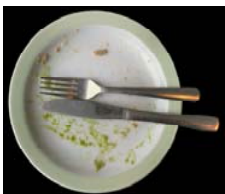


Assessment of Patient Food Intake

<p>Reference Tray 1st Row: Breakfast 2nd Row: Lunch 3rd Row: Supper</p>	<p>Very Poor Eats less than $\frac{1}{3}$ of meal</p>	<p>Probably Inadequate Eats about $\frac{1}{2}$ of meal</p>	<p>Adequate Eats more than $\frac{1}{2}$ of meal</p>
			
			
			



Excellent
Eats all or almost all of meal

Assessing patient food intake:

1. Describe intake with fractions or percentages on daily nursing records.
2. Consult Dietitian if patient is eating $\frac{1}{2}$ or less of their meals for more than 3 days.
3. Always consult Dietitian if patient has existing or developing wounds.
4. Small or elderly patients that usually eat only small amounts are rated on the same scale as above.