



## HealthPartners yumPower worksite food vendor tips

### Engage your vendor partners in better-for-you

Food service and vending partners play an important role in your organization. They provide food your employees count on for nutrition and energy each day, which is why their support of better-for-you is important. Here are some areas to consider when working with your vendor partners.

#### Nutrition information

Display nutrition information when possible so your employees can make informed food and beverage choices. Ask your vendor what information is available, and where and how it can be displayed (e.g., electronic, paper, website). Prominently display this information in visible, high-traffic areas.

#### Product selection

Ask vendors about the availability of better-for-you items. Next, ask them to set aside vending machine or retail space for yumPower approved items. In addition, ask vendors to reduce or remove super-sized items (e.g., sugar-sweetened beverages and high-calorie, value entree sizes).

#### Sales reports

Use cafeteria and vending machine sales reports to track better-for-you selection. Reports can also be used to identify areas that need improvement. Work with vendors to understand their reporting capabilities and ability to review with you.

#### Contract provisions

Consider using contract and agreement provisions to ensure vendors adhere to your organization's vision and change plan. When appropriate, ask vendors to participate in the planning process.

#### Vending machine wraps and better-for-you item stickers

Custom wraps and stickers can bring attention to your better-for-you items. Ask your partners if they can wrap machines, or use stickers to denote better-for-you choices. Be aware that there may be extra costs associated with these procedures.

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