



ENHANCING NUTRITION THROUGH CULTURAL ADAPTATION:

**Perspectives & Realities in AAPI,
Black, Latino & South Asian
Indian Communities**

A Resource Guide

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Cultural Adaptation and Cultural Competency Resources

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South Asian Indian Resources

[AAPI's Nutrition Guide - Optimal Health Using Principles of Functional Medicine/Nutritional Genomics](#)

[AAPI's Nutrition Guide to Optimal Health - Part II](#)

[AAPI's Nutrition Guide to Optimal Health - Part II - Introduction & Foreward](#)

[AAPI's Nutrition Guide to Optimal Health Part III](#)

[Carb Counting Handout](#)

[Indian Foods: AAPI's Guide to Nutrition, Health and Diabetes](#)

[Indian Healthy Plate with Fruits and Dairy](#)

[Lifestyle therapies to decrease atherogenic cholesterol and promote CV health](#)

[National Lipid Association Recommendations for Patient-Centered Management of Dyslipidemia: Part 2](#)

[Renal Diet for Indian Population \(Pushpa Soundararajan, MBA, RDN, CAP, CYI\)](#)

[Sports Nutrition for Indians 2021](#)

[AAPI Books \(aapiusa.org\)](#)

Vegetarian Nutrition Dietetic Practice Group: <https://www.vndpg.org/idea/culture-plates>

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South Asian Diets: <https://hopkinsdiabetesinfo.org/south-asian-diets/>

The Basics of South Asian :<https://www.diabetes.ca/diabetescanadawebsite/media/managing-my-diabetes/tools%20and%20resources/just-the-basics-south-asian-english.pdf?ext=.pdf>

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AAPI Resources

Culturally Relevant Handouts from AAPI MIG at Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics:

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