Testicular Cancer Prevention

What is it?

- <u>Testicular Cancer</u>- rare,
 - Affects- males age 15 to 35



Signs and Symptoms:

• <u>Testicular Cancer</u>- painless lump, swelling, feeling of heaviness in 1 testicle

Facts:

- <u>Highest Risk for Testicular Cancer</u>- family history, where testicles have not descended, or did not until > 6
- Usually- affect 1 testicle, if detected early respond well to treatment

What can I do?

- <u>See a Health Care Provider</u>- if blood or pus in your urine, Prostate Enlargement
- See RD for help as needed *See FFF RD on line for help
- <u>Low Fat Diet</u>- Increase Fresh Fruits and Vegetables, Whole Grains, Fish and Chicken that is Broiled, Boiled, Baked Roasted, Stewed, Grilled or Stir-Fried, and use Low Fat Cheeses, Margarines, Sour Cream, Cream Cheese, etc
 - o AVOID- Butter, Sauces, Gravies, Fried Foods, Rich Desserts
- Add- Lycopene as with tomatoes- See FFF Lycopene
- <u>Increase</u>- soy products
- **Supplements** Vitamin E, talk with your Health Care Provider
- <u>Exams</u>- PSA (Prostate Specific Antigen), Digital Rectal Exam



- Testicular Exam- after taking a warm shower or bath one time per month
- Place 1 Leg on Commode or Stool- examine the testicle on the leg elevated; gently roll it between the fingers and thumb of both hands, repeat on other side
- o Normal- round and smooth, 1 testicle is slightly larger
- o Abnormal- nodules, hard lump, enlargement
- Wear- protective gear during sports, safe sex
- <u>Prevention/Pain from an Accident</u>- elevate the scrotum with a cushion, apply ice pack, wearing a jock strap, aspirin, acetaminophen, warm baths

