

Webinar on Nutrition Activities during COVID-19 Pandemic in Southeast Asia Countries 15th December 2021

Nutrition Promotion Activities during COVID-19 Pandemic in Malaysia

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Outline

Nutrition promotion activities in Malaysia

Nutrition innovations : the use of digital technology

Multi-stakeholder nutrition approach

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INTRODUCTION

- The on-going COVID-19 global pandemic has emphasized the importance of good nutrition and healthy lifestyle as the key to strengthening immunity so as to combat the pandemic. This is the key to fighting any virus and prevent us from infecting others.
- Fighting against transmission of COVID-19 while still facing the burden of existing NCDs.
- Optimal nutrition intake by practice healthy eating is IMPORTANT to boost up our immune system to fight both COVID-19 and NCDs. Therefore, the only sustainable way to survive in this situation is to strengthen the immune system.



Nutrition Promotion Activities in Malaysia

Nutrition Division, MOH has been implementing activities that encourage the community to take charge of their health, by promoting healthy eating habits and active lifestyle.

Focus given on digital and electronic platform especially using the social media.

This is also, inline with the order given to public sectors the use of the digitalizing government service delivery especially during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Community nutrition promotion activities

Social Media Platform

- FB Live with the Nutritionists
- Social Media Team #NutritionistKKM
- Infographics on healthy eating messages

Collaboration with Social Influencers

• Create awareness & expand coverage among influencers' followers

Use of Smartphone Application

 Using MyNutriDiari (MND2) apps to help users monitor their food and calorie intake

nutritionist

'Facebook Live' by the Nutritionists



Social Media Team #NutritionistKKM



- A group of selected Nutritionists from national and state level in charged of doing nutrition advocacies through social media
 - Responsible to develop materials based on identified topics
 - Free to develop any kind of media materials for different target groups and needs.
- Aim : 2 materials per state/ month

Act as a moderator for their own FaceBook (state level)

- ✓ Nutrition advocacy through social media was conducted via 16 Nutrition official Facebook at national and state level. Each states will do their activities through their own official social media platform.
- ✓ Nutrition information will be updated on a regular basis.

- ✓ Types of posting:
 - Infographics
 - Videos
 - Articles
 - Virtual talks and sharing





NUTRITION RELATED COVID-19 MESSAGES DURING LOCKDOWN AT SOCIAL MEDIA







"Penerajn Pemakanan Negara..." 🚯 🧿 😏 🚳

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Peneraju Pemakanan Negara

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COLLABORATION WITH SOCIAL INFLUENCERS



Nutrition Advocacy Through Social Influencers

1) Dr Sheikh

Muszaphar

- First Malaysian Astronaut
 Target group- young parent
 Assist in disseminating the new Malaysian Food Pyramid 2020



- 2) Chef Naem
- <u>Celebrity Chef</u>
- Target group- teenagers & housewives
- Live session chit chat and healthy cooking demonstration



- Atilia Singer & Yoga Instructor Target group- women Live session chit chat
- and yogaFocus on nutrition
- among working mothers





Social Media Platforms #NutritionistKKM











Nutritionistkkm 3k subscribers

SMS OCCAR

Twitter

@BhgPemakananKKM

Peneraju Utama Pemakanan Negara ke Arah Pembangunan Generasi yang Sihat #nutritionistKKM

Translate bio

Putrajaya, Malaysia & nutrition.moh.gov.my
 Joined June 2013
 96 Following 21.9K Followers
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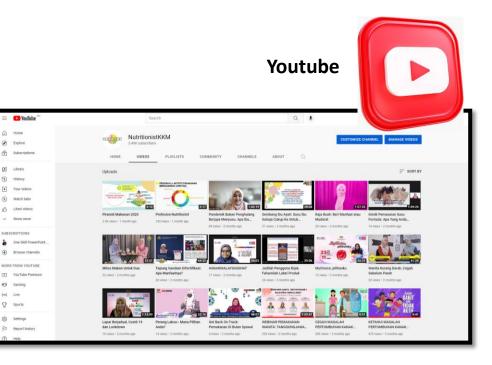






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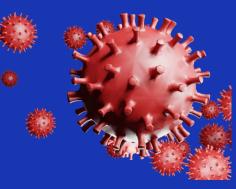








Special Topics on Covid-19 & Nutrition



Covid-19 - Healthy eating during Movement Control Order (MCO) Nutrition vs Covid-19 Covid-19, boost immunity with healthy eating Covid-19 & Vitamin C □ Stay at home - eat in moderation Covid-19 and viral food trend



COVID-19 NUTRITION ADVOCACIES THROUGH VARIOUS FORMS OF MEDIA

Social Media

- Facebook
- Instagram
- Twitter

Electronic Media

- TV
- Radio

Printed Media

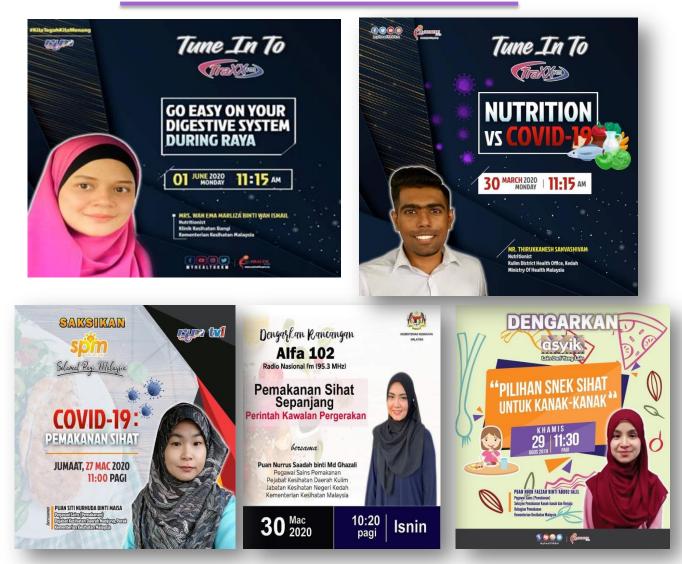
Articles in newsprint & magazines



Conventional Media

TV & Radio

Interview slot with the nutritionists



Printed Media Article in newspapers & magazines

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MYNUTRIDIARI APPS

"MyNutriDiari 2" smartphone apps was developed to assist users in monitoring their daily food intake based on their total calorie requirement.

Objective:

To increase the knowledge and skills of the public about healthy eating and active living through latest digital technology.

Features

- 1. BMI Calculator
- Food Calorie List
 Calorie Intake Monitoring Module
 Physical Activities Module
 Weight Recording Module



NUTRITION CONSULTATION IN HEALTH CLINICS



 Nutrition consultation in the health clinics still continue during pandemic either physical or virtual meetings



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 Google Meet, WhatsApp, phone

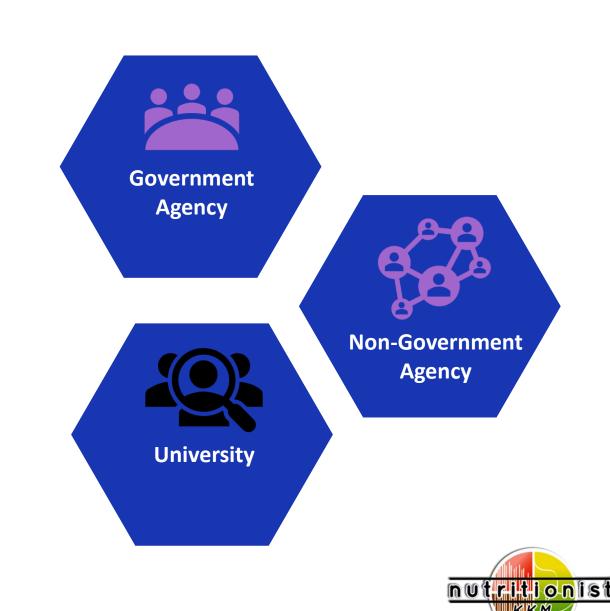


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Multi-stakeholders Approach



Non-Government Agencies

Collaborated with 3 main associations for the celebration of Nutrition Month Malaysia 2021:

- Nutrition Society of Malaysia (NSM)
- Malaysian's Dietitian Association (MDA)
- Malaysian Association for the Study of Obesity (MASO)

NMM 2021 Theme

"Nutrition: The Key to Combating Health Threats."

Highlights the importance of nutrition to prevent non-communicable diseases (NCDs) and COVID-19.



Nutrition: The Key To Combating Health Threats

Jointly organised by:





Nutrition Society of Malaysia Malaysian Dietitians' Association

Malaysian Association for the Study of Obesity





Promote healthy eating through fun activities using various platforms



- FB Live with Nutritionist
- Share healthy eating topics on everyday for the month of

April

 10 Days Eat Vegetables & Fruits Challenge

Challenge :

- Take vegetables during lunch
- Take 2 different colours of vegetables
- Consume *ulam*/ salad
- Consume fruits as snacks
- Bring vegetables & fruits to workplace

- Heathy Eating Tik Tok
- Share video through hashtags#
- Junior Nutritionist Cooking Video
- Share video through hashtags #



Challenges

Competitors

Health information vs entertainment info

 Quite a challenge to get attention of the community to get the right information on nutrition

Digital platform

Create awareness, difficult to change behaviour

Accessibility

Limited access and coverage



Thank you!



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