

### What are FODMAPs

Rapidly fermentable carbohydrates that draw fluid into the bowel.

- Fermentable
- Oligosaccharides
- **D**isaccharides (lactose)
- Monosaccharides (fructose)
- And
- Polyols (sugar alcohols)

FODMAPs are poorly absorbed in the intestine and cause fluid to enter the bowel as well as fermentation (gas production). The result is increased distension and decreased motility of the gut. This triggers symptoms of irritable bowel.

#### **Symptoms include:**

- Abdominal bloating and distension
- Excess wind (flatulence)
- Abdominal pain
- Nausea
- Changes in bowel habits:
  - Diarrhoea
  - Constipation
  - A combination of both

Names of local Dieticians can be provided on request.

## Foods suitable on a low-fodmap diet

#### fruit vegetables grain foods milk products other fruit vegetables milk tofu cereals gluten-free bread or banana, blueberry, alfalfa, bamboo shoots, lactose-free milk\*, sweeteners boysenberry, bean shoots, bok choy, cereal products oat milk\*, rice milk\*, sugar\* (sucrose), soy milk\* canteloupe, cranberry, carrot, celery, choko, bread glucose, artificial durian, grape, choy sum, endive, \*check for additives 100% spelt bread sweeteners not grapefruit, honeydew ginger, green beans, ending in '-ol' cheeses melon, kiwifruit, lemon, lettuce, olives, parsnip, honey substitutes hard cheeses, and brie lime, mandarin, orange, potato, pumpkin, red oats and camembert golden syrup\*, passionfruit, pawpaw, capsicum (bell pepper), polenta maple syrup\*, yoghurt raspberry, rhubarb, silver beet, spinach, other molasses, treacle lactose-free varieties rockmelon, star anise, squash, swede, sweet arrowroot, millet, \*small quantities strawberry, tangelo potato, taro, tomato, ice-cream psyllium, quinoa, Note: if fruit is dried, eat in turnip, yam, zucchini substitutes sorgum, tapioca small quantities gelati, sorbet herbs basil, chili, coriander, butter substitutes ginger, lemongrass, olive oil marjoram, mint, oregano, parsley, rosemary, thyme

# Eliminate foods containing fodmaps

