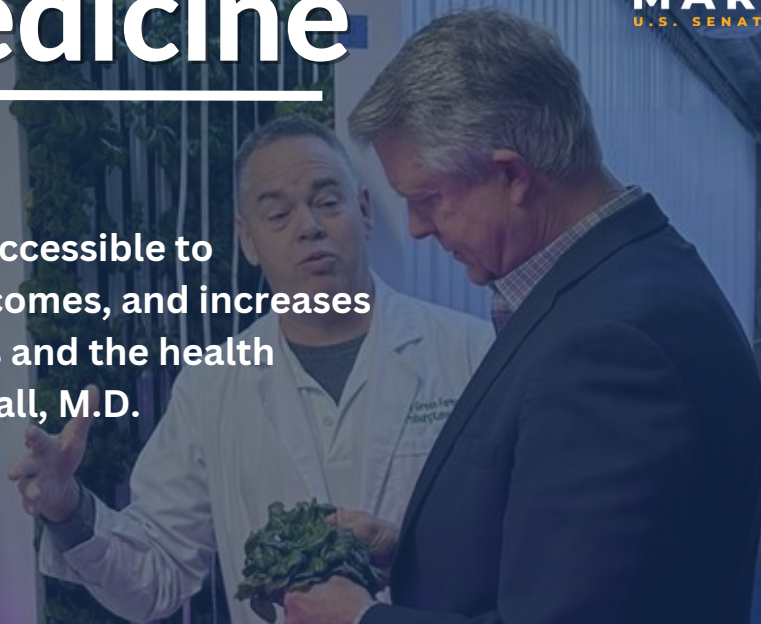


Food is Medicine

"Making nutritious foods more accessible to Americans improves health outcomes, and increases government savings for patients and the health system." - Senator Roger Marshall, M.D.



Prioritizing Nutrition at HHS

- ➔ **National Food is Medicine Strategic Plan Act:** Our legislation would require HHS to create a strategic plan agency-wide to improve health outcomes by including nutrition for people with diet-related illnesses.
- ➔ **Community Health Center (CHC) Nutrition Act:** Our bill would require CHCs to offer nutritional and dietary services to low-income patients and enhance primary care delivery for better patient outcomes.
- ➔ **Medically Tailored Home-Delivered Meals Demonstration Act (S. 2133):** With Debbie Stabenow (D-MI), Cory Booker (D-NJ), and Bill Cassidy, MD (R-LA), our bill aims to provide powerful insight into how medically tailored meals can positively impact the health of Medicare seniors with certain diet-related diseases.
- ➔ **Nutrition Real-Time Benefit Tools for Providers Act:** Our bill would require federal agencies to empower CHCs with critical information about their patients enrolled in federal nutrition programs to help them make meal choices tailored to their health.

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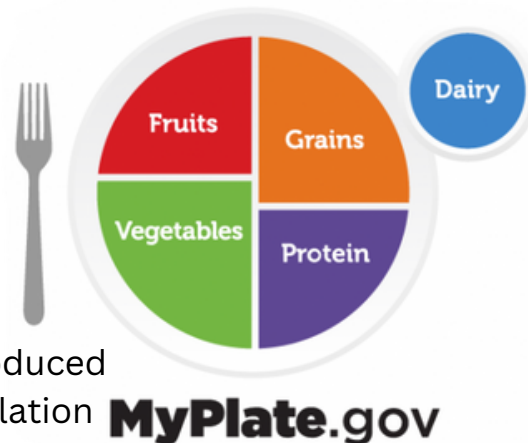
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Supporting Maternal and Infant Health

- ➔ **WIC Healthy Beginnings Act (S. 974):** Introduced with Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY), our bill would improve the WIC public-private partnership to more closely align with regular contracting norms to increase transparency and competition for infant formula. Recognizing our bill's value, the USDA used its regulatory authority and implemented it earlier this year.
- ➔ **More Options to Develop and Enhance Remote Nutrition in WIC (MODERN WIC) Act (S. 984):** Introduced with Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY), our bill would allow families to certify and re-certify for WIC services remotely, making it easier for hardworking families in rural communities to stay in the program.
- ➔ **Recognizing the Value of Frozen Foods in WIC:** We are currently working on legislation to allow frozen fruits and vegetables as part of state WIC programs nationwide. Kansas does not allow frozen fruits and vegetables as an option in the WIC program.

Beefing up Child Nutrition Programs

- ➔ **Whole Milk for Healthy Kids Act (S. 1957):** Introduced alongside Peter Welch (D-VT) and 9 bipartisan Senators, our bill would mandate that K-12 schools provide whole milk as an option under the National School Lunch Program.
- ➔ **Dairy Nutrition Incentive Program Act (S. 1474):** Introduced alongside Amy Klobuchar (D-MN), our bipartisan legislation seeks to increase consumption of nutrition milk and dairy products through SNAP incentives.
- ➔ **Adding Water to MyPlate:** We are currently advocating for the water icon to be added to the MyPlate nutritional graphic and the Dietary Guidelines for Americans. Water is an essential component of a healthy lifestyle, and it needs to be prioritized in federal nutrition educational materials.
- ➔ **Strengthening Nutrition Incentives Programs within SNAP:** The upcoming Farm Bill provides an opportunity to update and streamline nutrition incentive programs such as the Gus Schmacher Nutrition Incentive Program (GusNIP) and the Healthy Fluid Milk Incentive Program to increase participation among SNAP recipients.



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