## Mayo Clinic Minute

## Obesogenic world

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Vivien Williams	Obesogenic. It's a word used to describe how one's surroundings can promote weight gain.
Seema Kumar, M.D. Pediatrics Mayo Clinic	"We certainly live in an obesogenic environment, where it is very easy to eat more calories and be less physically active."
Vivien Williams	Mayo Clinic's Dr. Seema Kumar says tempting treats and flashing screens lure people to sit still and munch more.
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Vivien Williams	But, by making small changes, you can turn your obesogenic environment into a much healthier one. The following tips can help:
	<ul> <li>Shop wisely. Fill your cart and dinner plates with fruits and veggies, so you're sure to get five servings a day.</li> <li>Cut portion size. Cook enough for one meal, so you can't go back for seconds.</li> <li>And, every day, get up off the couch and get moving.</li> </ul>
	The great news is that even small changes in your weight make a big difference in your health.
Seema Kumar, M.D.	"Just a 5 to 10 percent weight loss can improve your blood pressure, cholesterol and sugar levels."
Vivien Williams	A healthier environment for a healthier life.
	For the Mayo Clinic news Network, I'm Vivien Williams.