### **Current & Future Research for Whole Grains**

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#### A Freak of Nature!!

How is it possible for "Normal" people to meet dietary guidance in the prevention of chronic disease?

How do "Normal" people cope with rehabilitation?

#### Goals

Recognize the importance of Collaboration

 Bring all sectors together to make decisions about the research to be conducted

 Drive the food supply to offering more Practical, Healthy, Affordable and Desirable food products

### 2012 Whole Grains Summit Outcomes

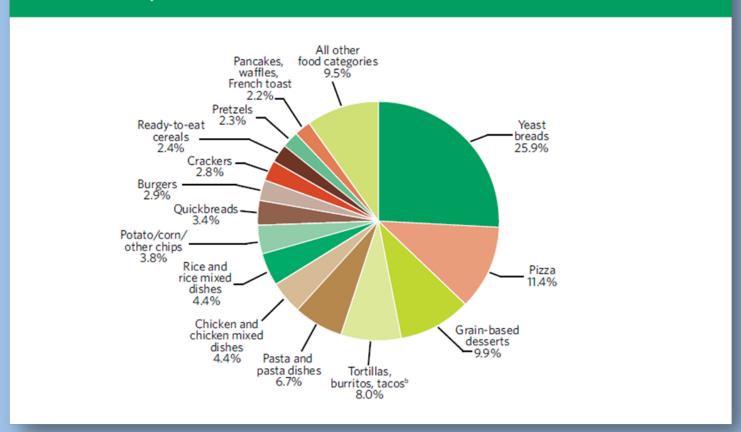
- Unified leadership within the grains community
  - We must all work together as a grains community throughout the grains supply chain toward a unified vision and prioritized goals.
- Building the rationale for whole grains and health
  - As we move forward research must be targeted at specific gaps of understanding in the supply chain to demonstrate the rationale for providing more whole grain foods in the marketplace. This includes research on efficacy, technology, marketing, and consumer preference. The changing food environment will improve consumer options & opportunities for choosing whole grain foods.

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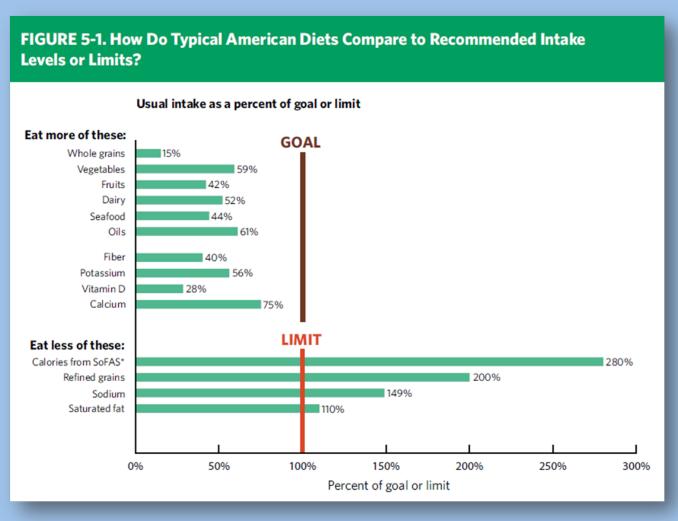
- Communication to consumers made simple & clear
  - Educators, health practitioners, governmental agencies and parents should convey a consistent message of whole grains as a part of a healthy dietary pattern. To accomplish this definitions and guidelines must be clearly defined & communicated.
- Commitment of every individual to promote health
  - The grains & health communities must make a commitment to do whatever is required to improve consumption of healthy whole grains & continue to dialog and implement action steps for priority goals and objectives.

### Why Whole Grains?

FIGURE 3-7. Sources of Refined Grains in the Diets of the U.S. Population Ages 2 Years and Older, NHANES 2003–2004<sup>a</sup>



### Can consumers meet Dietary Guidance by making healthy eating the easy choice.



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#### **Grains as a Vehicle to Health**

Small changes in grain ingredients equals big opportunity

to meet dietary guidance

- Whole grain & fiber
- Fruit & vegetable add-ons
- Reduction in sugar, salt, and fats
- Portion size / caloric density



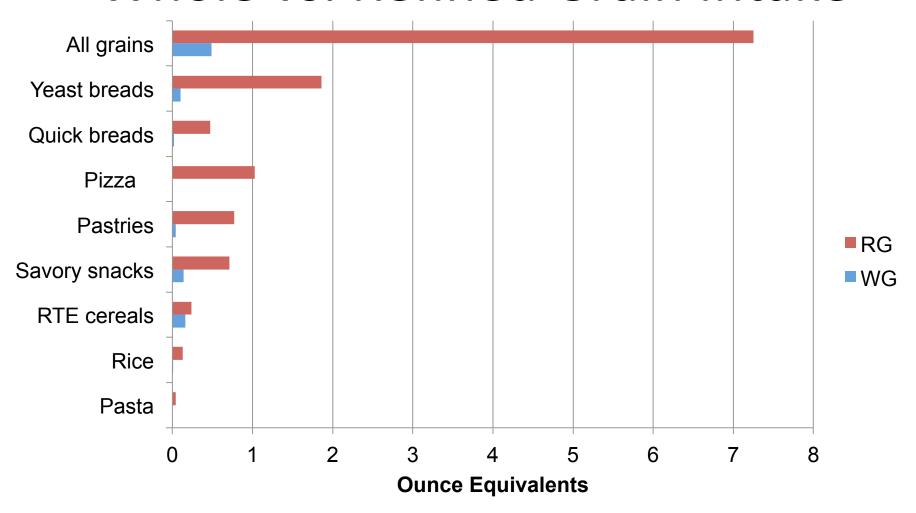




#### Whole Grain Modeling

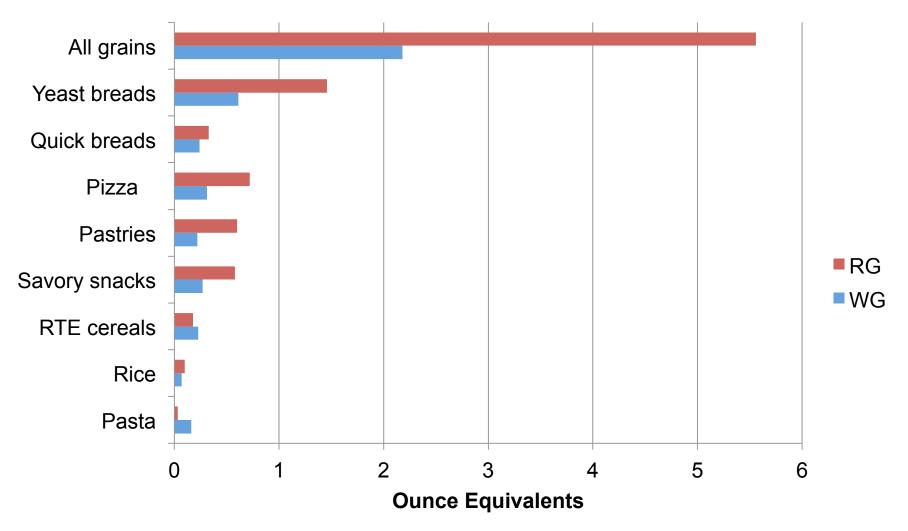
- 24-hr dietary recall based on NHANES 2003-04
- 2,349 children 9-18 years
- Substituted whole grain for enriched refine grain ingredients in foods already consumed by children
- Whole grain flour replaced based on acceptability of whole grain foods tested among children in elementary schools
- Replacement levels ranged from 15-50%; most less than or equal to 25%

# Pre-Modeled Whole vs. Refined Grain Intake

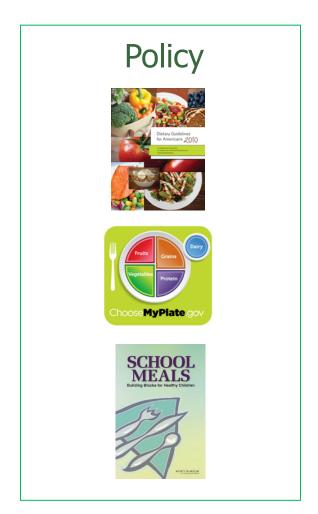


Keast et al. JADA 2011

# Post-Modeled Whole vs. Refined Grain Intake



#### Vision for Grain Foods







#### **Introducing Whole Grains in Schools**

1. Targeted Whole grain levels/ Feasibility

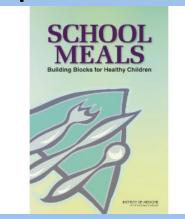


2. School Foodservice Directors vs. Product name Developers

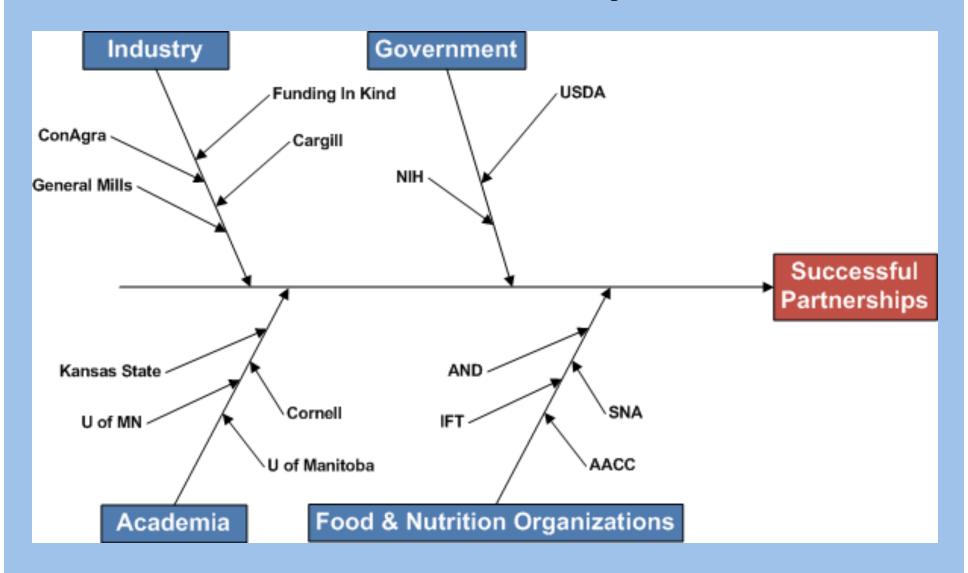
- 3. Setting School Nutrition Requirements
- 4. Implementation







#### **Partnerships**



### How We Operate

Convene

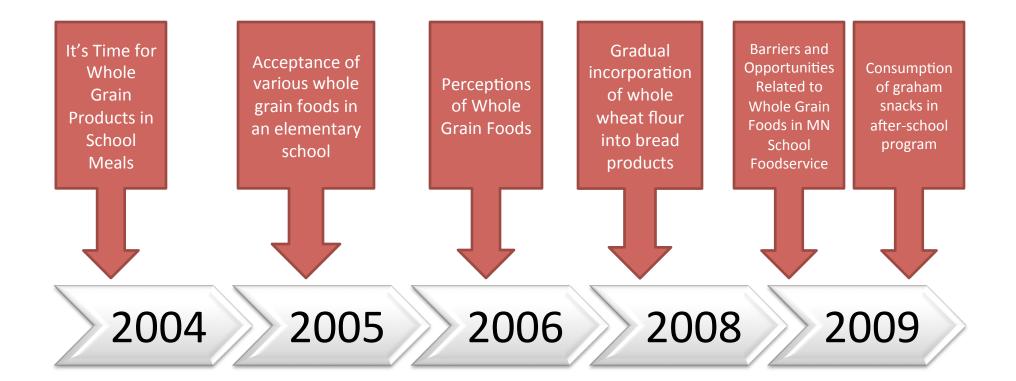
 Alignment, bringing stakeholders together

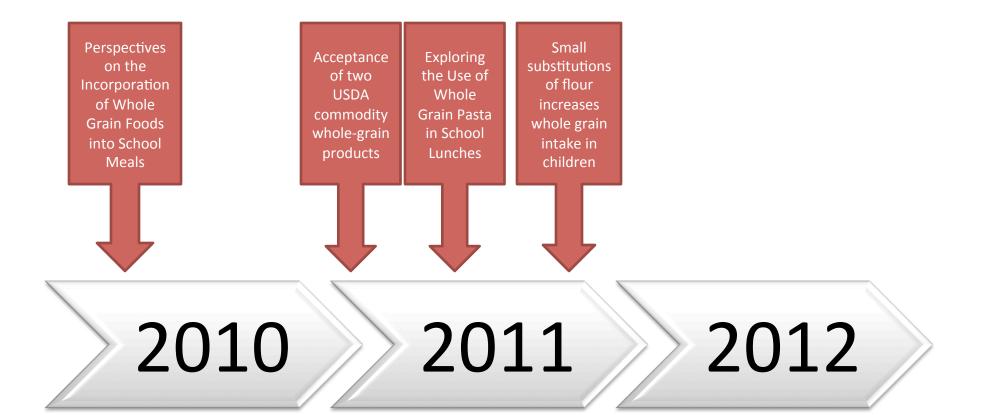
Collaborate

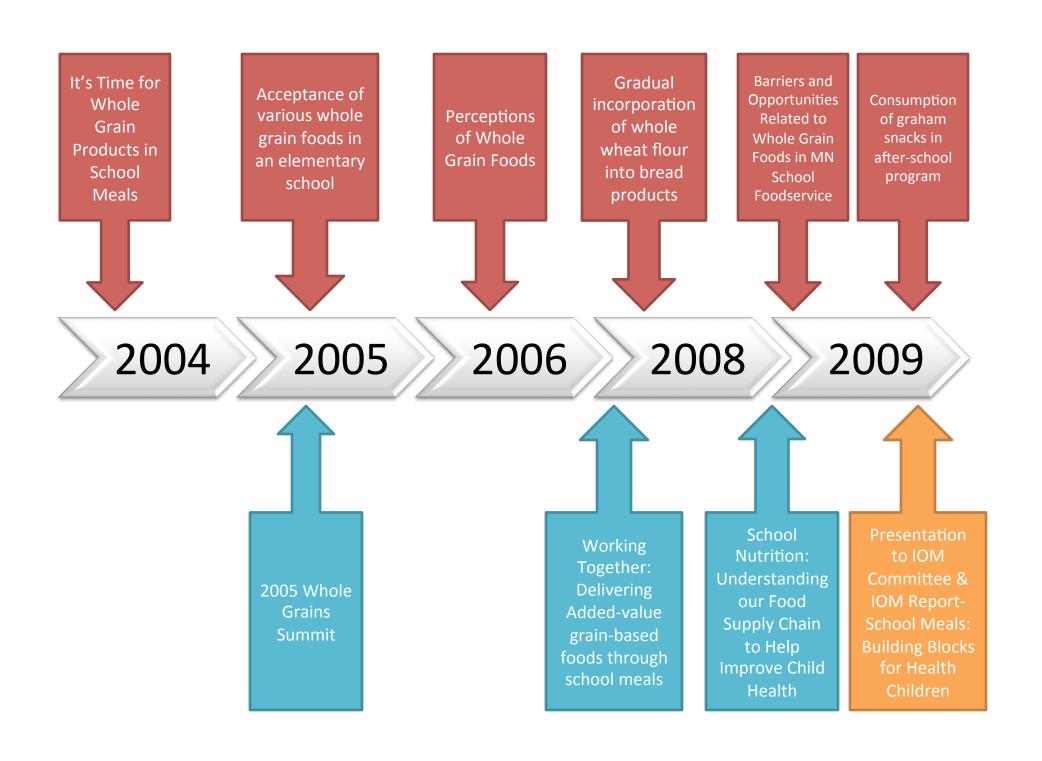
- Systemic view of complex problems
- Research

Collective Solutions

 Teamwork, yielding measurable, sustainable results







Perspectives on the Incorporation of Whole Grain Foods into School Meals

Acceptance of two USDA commodity whole-grain products Exploring the Use of Whole Grain Pasta in School Lunches Small substitutions of flour increases whole grain intake in children

2010

2011

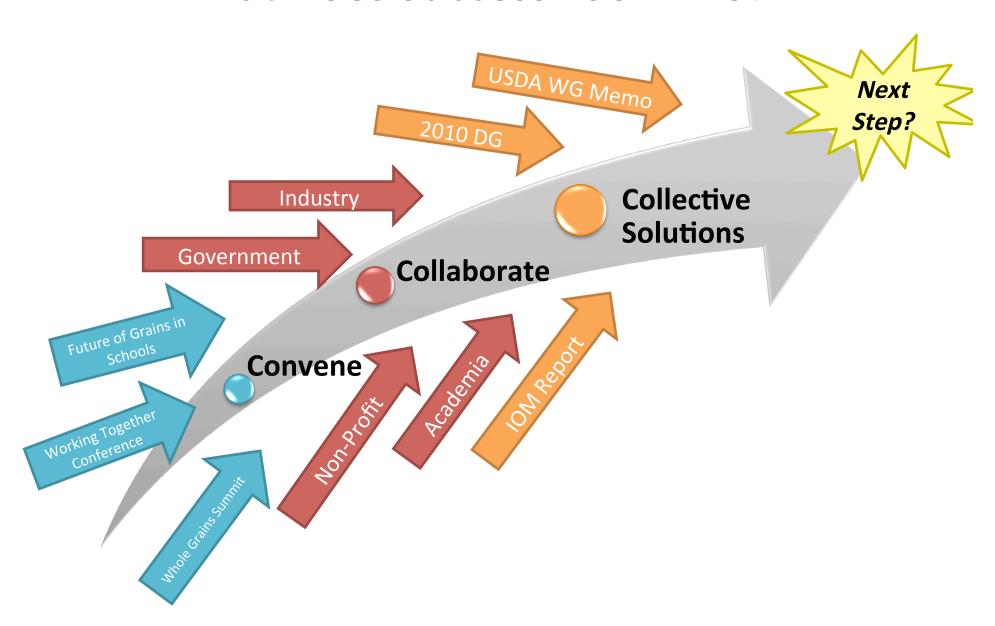
2012

The Future of Grains in Schools Meeting at the Depot

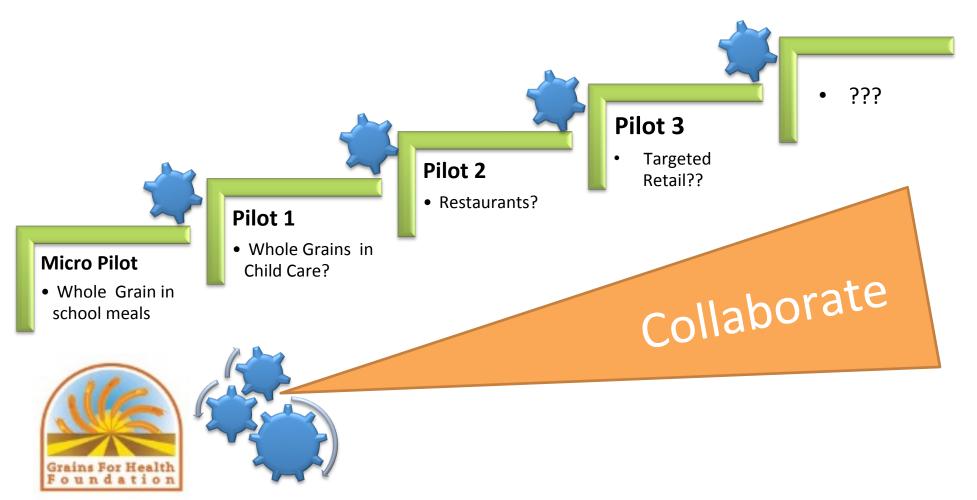
First meeting of The Future of Grains in Schools Task Force Presentation to DG Committee & 2010 Dietary Guidelines recommend whole grains making up ½ of grain intake USDA Memo: SP 30-2012: Grain Requirements for the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program

2012 Whole Grains Summit

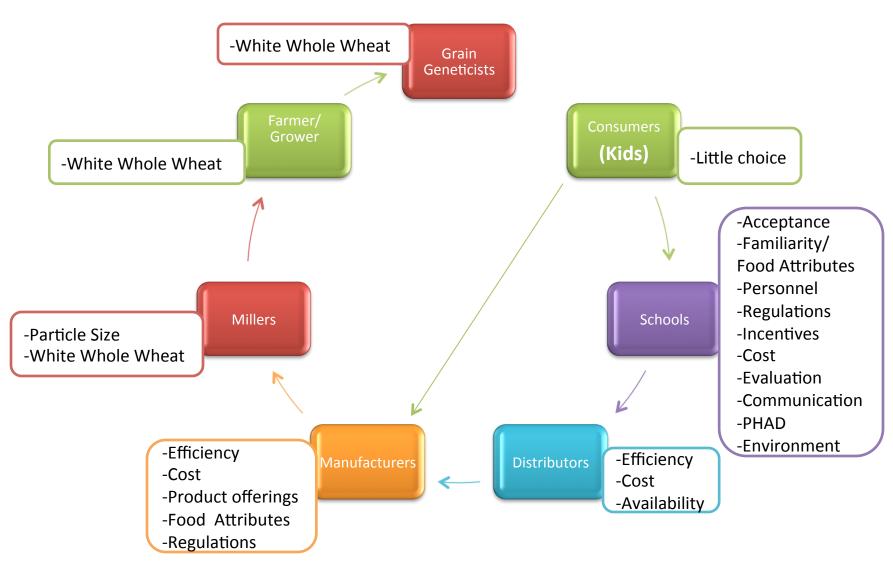
#### What Does Success Look Like?



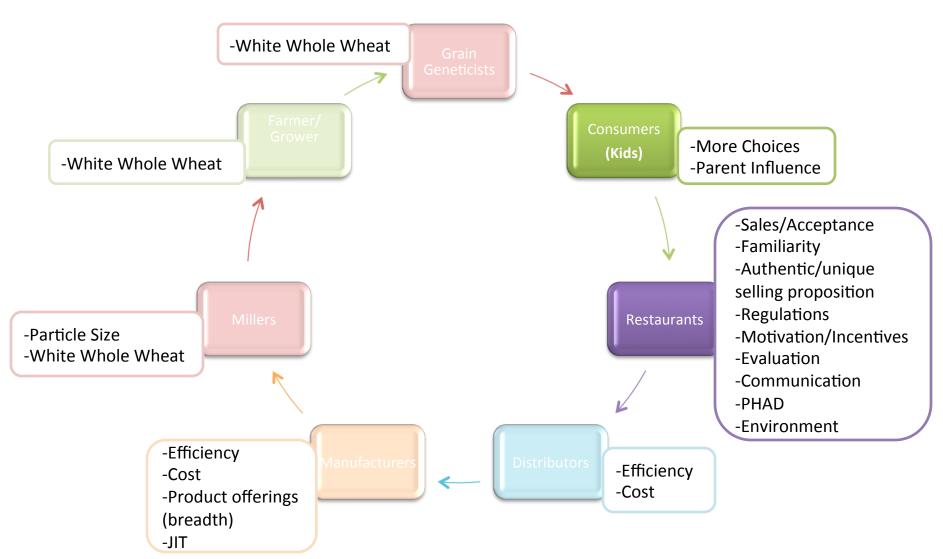
### **Gradual Progression of Whole Grains**



# Supply Chain Accomplishments for Whole Grains in Schools for Kids



# Supply Chain Variables for Whole Grains in Restaurants for Kids



#### Research Direction

- 1. Scan the food supply and food environment related to grain based foods
- 2. Targeting science toward PHAD\*
- 3. Filling the research gaps in food environment
- 4. Developing more whole grain foods that meet PHAD\*

<sup>\*</sup>Practical, Healthy, Affordable, Desirable

### Why?

 To allow consumers to meet Dietary Guidance by making healthy eating the easy choice.

 Each of us, as individuals and health professionals, must make a conscious decision to make the healthy choice, the easy choice.

#### How?

- How can we carry out our conscious decision to make the healthy choice, the easy choice?
  - Individuals
  - Professionals
- Each and everyone of us needs to contribute to the science that will bring more "PHAD" foods to consumers

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### Thank you!!