

Last month's IDDSI Can Do! feature introduced the Pureed Level 4 food texture. This month we climb the IDDSI pyramid to introduce Minced & Moist, MM5. All the details can be found in the IDDSI Framework or through the *free* IDDSI app.

## What are Minced & Moist (MM5) Foods?

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Minced & Moist foods are soft, moist and cohesive, containing small lumps that are easy to squash with the tongue. MM5 is a safe and tasty way to introduce some texture without the need for much chewing. There are different particle sizes for children (2 mm) and adults (4mm). Use the tines of a fork to measure the pieces.



Note - lump size requirements for all foods in Level 5 Minced & Moist:

- Paediatric, equal to or less than 2mm width and no more than 8mm in length
  - Adult, equal to or less than 4mm width and no more than 15mm in length

Verify if a food truly is Minced & Moist with the <u>audit tool</u> and share this information with the patient handouts for <u>adults</u> and <u>children</u>.

## MM5 - A "consistent" consistency

Unlike older minced diets, IDDSI MM5 brings consistency to the texture standard. Gone are the harder and drier items that make oral processing challenging. Instead, MM5 is a safe and reliable way to ensure that foods on a minced diet are all.... *MINCED*! Enjoy some favourite items like soft mashed banana, oatmeal or soft sandwich fillings without the guesswork.

Minced or mashed but always moist, level 5 diets are a great choice!





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