Seed Protocol

Helps regulate the menstrual cycle by following the cycle of the moon. Also helps balance hormones and ease symptoms.

Phase One: Follicular Phase/NEW MOON (provides the precursors for estrogen and helps balance your hormones)

-Days 1 (1st day of menses)-until ovulation (or day 14 if you don't know when you ovulate)

1. 1 Tbsp ground flax seeds

- -an alternative to the seeds is 1,500 mg fish oil (>1,000 mg EPA, >250 mg DHA)
- >>this phase of the protocol is great for reducing heavy periods, reducing or eliminating clots, and eliminating acne.
- 2. 1 Tbsp ground pumpkin seeds.
- -an alternative to the seeds is 1,500 mg fish oil (>1,000 mg EPA, >250 mg DHA)

Phase Two: Luteal Phase/FULL MOON (provides the precursors for progesterone and helps balance and clear excess hormones)

- -Days 15 (or day after ovulation)-until your period starts
- 1. 1 Tbsp ground sesame seeds (better to buy whole and then grind versus buying already ground seeds)
- 2. 1 Tbsp ground sunflower seeds.
- -an alternative to the seeds s 2,000 mg Evening Primrose Oil

I remember this phase by thinking second half= two S's (sunflower/sesame).

>>this phase of the protocol is great for stopping spotting between cycles, PMS (irritability, depression), breast tenderness, clotting, quick and heavy flow on the first 2 days

General rules for eating seeds:

- best to buy whole seeds and then grind using a coffee or seed grinder to get them to a powder consistency
- -okay to grind up 1-2 months worth at a time, just keep in the fridge or freezer once it's ground.
- -okay to add to any food or drink, just heat the food up BEFORE adding the seeds so you don't destroy some of the oils.