



LifeSpan

Day Care You Can Trust For Children.

Child and Adult Care Food Program Enrollment Packet

2026-2027

* please complete highlighted areas, thanks! *

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Quakertown, PA 18951
215-536-4417

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CACFP Meal Benefit Income Eligibility Form Instructions

July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027

The Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) makes good food a regular part of your child's day care! Please fill out the *CACFP Meal Benefit Income Eligibility* form. It helps us find out if your household qualifies for free or reduced-price meals. This lets us know how much money CACFP will give to support your day care home or center.

Instructions

Here are instructions to help you fill out the form. Before you begin, turn the form over to learn why we ask for this information. It tells you how we use the information and what rights you have. It also tells you how to contact USDA if you believe you are treated unfairly.

Please make sure to fill in all of the requested information. Use a pen to mark your answers on one form. When you are finished, please return the form to us at:

Lifespan Phone # _____

Step 1:

List all the children from your household in the day care. Use one line for each child's name. Write one letter in each box. Stop if you run out of space. If there are more children, add their names on a second piece of paper.

Do you have any foster children? If you answer *Yes*, mark the *Foster Child* box next to the child's name. If you are only applying for foster children, finish Step 1 and go to Step 4. If you are applying for both foster and non-foster children, go to Step 2.

Are any children migrant, runaway, homeless, or enrolled in Head Start? If *Yes*, mark the correct boxes next to the child's name and go to Step 4.

Step 2:

You qualify for free meals if you live in a household that receives Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR).

Do any household members, including you, currently receive SNAP, TANF, or FDPIR? If *Yes*, write the case number in the box and go to Step 4. You only need to provide one case number. If *No*, go to Step 3.

Step 3:

Report current income for all household members. Skip this step if you answered *Yes* in Step 2.

How do you report child income? Turn the form over and use the *Source of Income for Children* chart to see if your household has income to report.

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Write the amount in the boxes in part A of the form. Mark how often the amount is earned. Write 0 in the box if there is no income to report.

How do you report income of adult household members? Turn the form over and use the *Source of Income for Adults* chart to see if your household has income to report.

In part B, list all the adults in your household, including you, even if each of you doesn't receive income. Include all adults, such as grandparents, other relatives, and friends who live with you and share household income and expenses. Write the amount of income each of you receives, in the boxes next to your names. Mark how often the amount is received. Write 0 in the box if there is no income to report.

Make sure you report the current amount of money you get before taxes. Don't include SNAP, FDPIR, WIC, student financial aid, or money you receive for a foster child as income.

Count the number of all children and adults in your household. Include all infants, children, students, and adults. Write the total number in the box under the list of adult household members.

Do you or another adult household member have a Social Security number? Write the last four digits in the boxes. If there is no Social Security number, mark the *Check if no SSN* box.

Points to Remember:

If:	Then:
Your income isn't always the same	List the amount of money that you normally get. For example, don't include overtime pay, if you don't normally get it. If your income is normally higher or lower, you can report annual income instead.
Your household includes members who aren't citizens	You or your children don't have to be U.S. citizens to qualify for meal benefits.
You are in the military	Don't include your Family Subsistence Supplemental Allowance (FSSA), combat pay, or the money you receive for privatized housing. If deployed, count the amount of pay that is made available to your household as income.

Step 4:

An adult household member must sign this form. The signer promises that all information is true and complete.

Print the name, address, and telephone or email of the adult signer. Sign and write today's date in the marked boxes.

Optional

We ask about your children's ethnicity and race to make sure we do our best to serve our community. Providing this information is not required. You won't be denied benefits based on your race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.

CACFP Meal Benefit Income Eligibility Form
Sharing Information with Medicaid and SCHIP
July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027

Children who get Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) free or reduced-price meals may also qualify for low cost health insurance through Medicaid or the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP).

We may share your child's CACFP eligibility information with Medicaid or SCHIP, *unless you tell us not to*. Medicaid and SCHIP *only* use the information to find out if children are eligible for their programs. Their staff may contact you to offer to enroll your children in these health insurance programs.

If you **do not** want us to share your information with Medicaid or SCHIP, fill out this page. You should send this page with your *CACFP Meal Benefit Income Eligibility* form when you apply. Sending in this page will not change your child's eligibility for free or reduced-price meals.

☐ **No! I do not** want my child's CACFP eligibility information shared with Medicaid or SCHIP.

If you checked no, fill this out:

Child's Name:

Child's Name:

Child's Name:

Child's Name:

Today's Date:

Print Your Name:

Address:

Signature of Parent or Guardian:

If you have questions or need help, please contact **ckunsman@lq.org** at **484-243-0619** or **ckunsman@lq.org**.

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CACFP Meal Benefit Income Eligibility Form
Letter to Parents (Non-Pricing Centers)
July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027

July 15,2026

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Lifespan offers healthy meals and snacks to children as part of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). **Lifespan** receives support from CACFP to serve those meals. CACFP gives more support if your household income is less than or equal to the limits on this chart:

Federal Income Standards for Reduced-Price Meals for July 1, 2026- June 30, 2027		
Household size	Yearly Income	Monthly Income
1	\$29,526	\$2,461
2	\$40,034	\$3,337
3	\$50,542	\$4,212
4	\$61,050	\$5,088
5	\$71,558	\$5,964

Please fill out a *CACFP Meal Benefit Income Eligibility* form. It will help us find out how much support **Lifespan** receives. Please be sure to read the instructions carefully. Fill in all the information we request. We can only accept complete forms. Please send the completed form to:

Click or tap here to enter text.

2460 John Fries Hwy, Quakertown, PA 18951
399 Washington St. East Greenville, PA 18041
1651 N. Cedar Crest Blvd. Allentown, PA 18104

Thank you for taking the time to fill out the form. We hope your child enjoys CACFP meals!

In the operation of child nutrition programs, no person will be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. If you have questions or need help, please contact **Nicole Fetherman** at **215-536-9036** or **nfertherman@lq.com**.

Sincerely,

Nicole Fetherman M.Ed.
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Executive Director

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**Child and Adult Care Food Program
Child Enrollment Form**

Sponsor/Center Name: Lifespan
Agreement #: 300-09-145-5

ENROLLMENT FORM FOR CHILDREN IN CHILD CARE

This document does not have to be completed for children in Emergency Shelters, Outside School Hours, and/or At-Risk programs. It is recommended to have new CACFP Annual Enrollment Forms completed each year during the Household Eligibility Application renewal period. Review completed enrollment form and enter the effective date in lower right hand section.

PARENTS: This institution participates in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) and receives reimbursement to provide more nutritious meals for your child(ren). Federal CACFP regulations require all parents and guardians to complete a CACFP Annual Enrollment Form when enrolling their child(ren) and again every year thereafter. This information will help ensure all children receive appropriate meals during their care.

Please complete all areas to include signing and dating same.

FULL NAME OF ENROLLED CHILD (Include Birth Date/Age)	DAYS OF WEEK IN ATTENDANCE	TIMES CHILD NORMALLY ATTENDS DURING WEEK								MEALS RECEIVED
		TIME-IN			TIME OUT			TIME CHILD ATTENDS SCHOOL		
		AM	PM	TIME	AM	PM	TIME	LEAVES CENTER	RETURNS TO CENTER	
FIRST CHILD	☐ MONDAY ☐ TUESDAY ☐ WEDNESDAY ☐ THURSDAY ☐ FRIDAY ☐ SATURDAY ☐ SUNDAY	☐ Yes ☐ No I work multiple shifts and child(ren) may be in care different days/hours Other:								☐ EARLY MORNING SNACK ☐ BREAKFAST ☐ A.M. SNACK ☐ LUNCH ☐ P.M. SNACK ☐ SUPPER ☐ EVENING SNACK
NAME										
BIRTH DATE										
AGE										
		Enrollment Date: _____ Withdrawal Date: _____								
FULL NAME OF ENROLLED CHILD (Include Birth Date/Age)	DAYS OF WEEK IN ATTENDANCE	TIMES CHILD NORMALLY ATTENDS DURING WEEK								MEALS RECEIVED
		TIME-IN			TIME OUT			TIME CHILD ATTENDS SCHOOL		
		AM	PM	TIME	AM	PM	TIME	LEAVES CENTER	RETURNS TO CENTER	
		☐ Same Times as Above ☐ Yes ☐ No I work multiple shifts and child(ren) may be in care different days/hours Other:								
SECOND CHILD	☐ Same as Above ☐ MONDAY ☐ TUESDAY ☐ WEDNESDAY ☐ THURSDAY ☐ FRIDAY ☐ SATURDAY ☐ SUNDAY									☐ Same Meals as Above ☐ EARLY MORNING SNACK ☐ BREAKFAST ☐ A.M. SNACK ☐ LUNCH ☐ P.M. SNACK ☐ SUPPER ☐ EVENING SNACK
NAME										
BIRTH DATE										
AGE										
		Enrollment Date: _____ Withdrawal Date: _____								
FULL NAME OF ENROLLED CHILD (Include Birth Date/Age)	DAYS OF WEEK IN ATTENDANCE	TIMES CHILD NORMALLY ATTENDS DURING WEEK								MEALS RECEIVED
		TIME-IN			TIME OUT			TIME CHILD ATTENDS SCHOOL		
		AM	PM	TIME	AM	PM	TIME	LEAVES CENTER	RETURNS TO CENTER	
		☐ Same Times as Above ☐ Yes ☐ No I work multiple shifts and child(ren) may be in care different days/hours Other:								
THIRD CHILD	☐ Same as Above ☐ MONDAY ☐ TUESDAY ☐ WEDNESDAY ☐ THURSDAY ☐ FRIDAY ☐ SATURDAY ☐ SUNDAY									☐ Same Meals as Above ☐ EARLY MORNING SNACK ☐ BREAKFAST ☐ A.M. SNACK ☐ LUNCH ☐ P.M. SNACK ☐ SUPPER ☐ EVENING SNACK
NAME										
BIRTH DATE										
AGE										
		Enrollment Date: _____ Withdrawal Date: _____								
FULL NAME OF ENROLLED CHILD (Include Birth Date/Age)	DAYS OF WEEK IN ATTENDANCE	TIMES CHILD NORMALLY ATTENDS DURING WEEK								MEALS RECEIVED
		TIME-IN			TIME OUT			TIME CHILD ATTENDS SCHOOL		
		AM	PM	TIME	AM	PM	TIME	LEAVES CENTER	RETURNS TO CENTER	
		☐ Same Times as Above ☐ Yes ☐ No I work multiple shifts and child(ren) may be in care different days/hours Other:								
FOURTH CHILD	☐ Same as Above ☐ MONDAY ☐ TUESDAY ☐ WEDNESDAY ☐ THURSDAY ☐ FRIDAY ☐ SATURDAY ☐ SUNDAY									☐ Same Meals as Above ☐ EARLY MORNING SNACK ☐ BREAKFAST ☐ A.M. SNACK ☐ LUNCH ☐ P.M. SNACK ☐ SUPPER ☐ EVENING SNACK
NAME										
BIRTH DATE										
AGE										
		Enrollment Date: _____ Withdrawal Date: _____								
FULL NAME OF ENROLLED CHILD (Include Birth Date/Age)	DAYS OF WEEK IN ATTENDANCE	TIMES CHILD NORMALLY ATTENDS DURING WEEK								MEALS RECEIVED
		TIME-IN			TIME OUT			TIME CHILD ATTENDS SCHOOL		
		AM	PM	TIME	AM	PM	TIME	LEAVES CENTER	RETURNS TO CENTER	
		☐ Same Times as Above ☐ Yes ☐ No I work multiple shifts and child(ren) may be in care different days/hours Other:								
FIFTH CHILD	☐ Same as Above ☐ MONDAY ☐ TUESDAY ☐ WEDNESDAY ☐ THURSDAY ☐ FRIDAY ☐ SATURDAY ☐ SUNDAY									☐ Same Meals as Above ☐ EARLY MORNING SNACK ☐ BREAKFAST ☐ A.M. SNACK ☐ LUNCH ☐ P.M. SNACK ☐ SUPPER ☐ EVENING SNACK
NAME										
BIRTH DATE										
AGE										
		Enrollment Date: _____ Withdrawal Date: _____								

Signature

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

Telephone Number of Parent or Guardian

CHILD CARE REPRESENTATIVE USE ONLY: Effective Date of This Enrollment Form: _____

Name of Representative/Signature

Date

The effective date can be made retroactive back to the first day the child participates in the CACFP as long as it occurs in the same month this form is received.

CACFP Meal Benefit Income Eligibility Form
Letter to Parents (Non-Pricing Centers)
July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

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CACFP Meal Benefit Income Eligibility (Child Care)

Complete one application per household. Please use a pen (not a pencil).

STEP 1 List ALL children in day care (if more spaces are required for additional names, attach another sheet of paper)

Definition of Household Member: "Anyone who is living with you and shares income and expenses, even if not related."

Children in Foster care and children who meet the definition of **Homeless, Migrant** or **Runaway** are eligible for free meals.

Child's First Name

MI

Child's Last Name

Foster Child Migrant Runaway Homeless Head Start

Check all that apply

STEP 2 Do any household members (including you) currently participate in one or more of the following assistance programs: SNAP, TANF, or FDPIR?

IF NO > Go to STEP 3 IF YES > Write case number here and proceed to STEP 4 (do not complete STEP 3)

CASE NUMBER:

Write only one case number in this space.

STEP 3 Report Income for ALL Household Members (Skip this step if you answered 'Yes' to STEP 2)

Are you unsure what income to include here?
Flip the page and review the charts titled "Sources of Income" for more information.

The "Sources of Income for Children" chart will help you with the Child Income section.

The "Sources of Income for Adults" chart will help you with All Adult Household Members section.

A. Child Income

Sometimes children in the household earn or receive income. Please include the TOTAL income received by all Children listed in STEP 1 here.

Child Income	How often?			
	Weekly	Bi-Weekly	Monthly	Bi-Monthly
\$				

B. All Household Members (Including yourself)

List all Household Members not listed in STEP 1 (including yourself) even if they do not receive income. For each Household Member listed, if they do receive income, report total gross income (before taxes) for each source in whole dollars (no cents) only. If they do not receive income from any source, write '0'. If you enter '0' or leave any fields blank, you are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report.

Name of Household Members (First and last)	Earnings from Work	How often?				Welfare/Child Support/Alimony	How often?				Pensions/Retirement/Social Security/SSI/VA Benefits	How often?			
		Weekly	Bi-Weekly	Monthly	2x Month		Weekly	Bi-Weekly	Monthly	2x Month		Weekly	Bi-Weekly	Monthly	2x Month
	\$					\$					\$				
	\$					\$					\$				
	\$					\$					\$				
	\$					\$					\$				
	\$					\$					\$				

Total Household Members (Children and Adults) Last Four Digits of Social Security Number (SSN) of Primary Wage Earner or other Adult Household Member Check if no SSN ☐

STEP 4 Contact information and adult signature. This form is not valid without signature and date of adult household member

"I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that this information is given in connection with the receipt of Federal funds, and that CACFP officials may verify (check) the information. I am aware that if I purposely give false information, the participant/center may lose meal benefits, and I may be prosecuted under applicable State and Federal laws."

Print Name of Adult Signing the Form

Signature of Adult

Today's Date

Address

City

State

Zip

Phone/Email

This portion of the form can be used to capture multi-year annual updates.

Annual Time Period Covered by Signature: _____ to _____

Signature Parent/Guardian _____ **Date** _____

Signature Center Administrator/Home Provider _____ **Date** _____

Annual Time Period Covered by Signature: _____ to _____

Signature Parent/Guardian _____ **Date** _____

Signature Center Administrator/Home Provider _____ **Date** _____

Annual Time Period Covered by Signature: _____ to _____

Signature Parent/Guardian _____ **Date** _____

Signature Center Administrator/Home Provider _____ **Date** _____

Annual Time Period Covered by Signature: _____ to _____

Signature Parent/Guardian _____ **Date** _____

Signature Center Administrator/Home Provider _____ **Date** _____

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- 1. mail:**
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
- 2. fax:**
(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
- 3. email:**
program.intake@usda.gov

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Source of Income for Children	
Sources of Child Income	Examples
Earnings from work	A child has a regular full or part-time job where they earn a salary or wages
Social Security - Disability Payments - Survivors Benefits	- A child is blind or disabled and receives Social Security benefits - A parent is disabled, retired, or deceased, and their child receives Social Security benefits
Income from person outside of household	A friend or extended family member regularly gives a child spending money
Income from any other source	A child receives regular income from a private pension fund, annuity, or trust

Source of Income for Adults		
Earnings from Work	Public Assistance/Alimony/Child Support	Pensions/Retirement/All other sources of income
- Salary, wages, cash bonuses - Net income from self-employment (farm or business) If you are in the U.S. Military: - Basic pay and cash bonuses (do NOT include combat pay, FSSA, or privatized housing allowances) - Allowances for off-base housing, food, and clothing	- Unemployment benefits - Workers compensation - Supplemental Security Income (SSI) - Cash assistance from State or local government - Alimony payments - Child support payments - Veterans benefits - Strike benefits	- Social Security (including railroad retirement and black lung benefits) - Private Pensions or disability benefits - Income from trusts or estates - Annuities - Investment income - Earned interest - Rental income - Regular cash payments from outside household

OPTIONAL Children's Ethnic and Racial Identities (Optional)

We are required to ask for information about your children's race and ethnicity. This information is important and helps to make sure we are fully serving our community. Responding to this section is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for receiving meals during care.

Ethnicity (check one): ☐ Hispanic or Latino ☐ Not Hispanic or Latino

Race (check one or more): ☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native ☐ Asian ☐ Black or African American ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander ☐ White

The **Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act** requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, the funds your child care center/provider receives may be impacted. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. The last four digits of the social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine the meal reimbursement for your child care center/provider. We MAY share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

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MAIL: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410

FAX: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442;
EMAIL: or program.intake@usda.gov.

***Only use this address if you are filing a complaint of discrimination.**

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For Official CACFP Sponsor Use Only NOT VALID WITHOUT DETERMINING OFFICIAL'S SIGNATURE AND DATE

Annual Income Conversion: Weekly x 52, Every 2 Weeks x 26, Twice a Month x 24, Monthly x 12

Total Income	How often? Weekly Bi-Weekly Monthly 2x Month ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐	Household size	Eligibility Free Reduced Denied ☐ ☐ ☐
		Categorial Eligibility ☐	
Determining Official's Signature	Date	Confirming Official's Signature (second check)	Date
		Follow-up Official's Signature (For Pricing Institutions - Verification Official)	Date

Effective Date: If the Institution is using the parent/guardian signature date as the effective date, the form must have been signed by the Institution representative within the same month the parent signed the form or the immediately following month.



CACFP Infant Enrollment Form

Center/Provider Name: LifeSpan School and Dayca

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This childcare center/provider participates in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) and receives USDA reimbursement for serving nutritious meals to infants according to program requirements. Participation in this program requires childcare centers/providers to follow specific meal patterns according to the age of the infant.

Childcare centers/providers participating in the CACFP **are required** to offer at least one iron fortified infant formula for infants who are enrolled in care. You may decline the infant formula offered, and supply breast milk and/or your own CACFP approved iron-fortified formula.

(NOTE: A CACFP approved iron-fortified formula must have 1 mg of iron or more per 100 calories of formula when prepared using the label directions and must be regulated by the FDA.)

Additionally, when you determine, in consultation with your physician, that your infant is developmentally ready, the childcare center/provider will also be **required** to offer iron fortified infant cereal and other infant foods.

Infant's Name _____ Infant's Date of Birth _____

Iron Fortified Formula offered by the Center/Provider Similac Sensitive Formula

Breast milk and/or Formula preference

Record date to indicate your preference (choose all that apply) *I understand that I may change my decision at any time with advance notice	Birth -5 months Date & Initial	6 – 11 months Date & Initial
I will provide expressed breast milk for my infant.		
I will breast feed my infant on site at the center/provider.		
I want the childcare center/provider to provide the infant formula it offers for my infant.		
I will provide the infant formula for my infant. (must be iron fortified)		
Name of infant formula I will provide: _____		
My infant has a special dietary need that requires a formula that does not meet the criteria for an approved iron fortified formula. I have provided the center/provider with a Medical Plan of Care signed by a licensed medical authority that includes the impairment that restricts the infant's diet, how it effects the infant, and the recommended substitution.		
Name of infant formula: _____		
☐ Center will provide the formula. ☐ I will provide the formula.		

Preference regarding infant cereal and other foods

Record date to indicate your preference *I understand that I may change my decision at any time with advance notice	6 – 11 months Date & Initial
I want the childcare center/provider to provide the iron fortified infant cereal and other foods for my infant.	
I want the childcare center/provider to provide all food items with one exception. (This option is only applicable if center/provider is providing the iron-fortified infant formula) One food item that I will provide (must be a creditable CACFP food item): _____	
My infant has a special dietary need that requires modifications to the infant meal pattern requirements. I have provided the center/provider with a Medical Plan of Care signed by a licensed medical authority that includes the impairment that restricts the infant's diet, how it effects the infant, the foods to avoid and the recommended substitutions	
I am aware and understand the all information provided on this form and my ability to have my infant participate in the CACFP; however, I decline the infant formula and food offered by the center/provider and elect to furnish ALL infant formula and food for my infant. (Center/Provider may not claim meals for this infant)	

Parent/Guardian	Date	Center/Provider signature	Date
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This supplemental infant form must be completed for all infants in care and must be maintained by center/provider and if applicable, a copy must be maintained by the Sponsoring organization.

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 Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
2. **fax:**
 (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
3. **email:**
 program.intake@usda.gov

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Meal Modifications for Children and Adults with Disabilities in CACFP

Institutions and facilities operating the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) must make meal modifications, including substitutions in meals and snacks, for participants with a disability and whose disability restricts their diet. Institutions and facilities must ensure that parents and guardians (and their children when age-appropriate at institution or facility discretion); adult participants; and persons on behalf of adult participants have notice of the procedure for requesting meal modifications for disabilities and the process for procedural safeguards related to meal modifications for disabilities.

1. State Licensed Healthcare Professional's Statement for Participants with Disabilities

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) regulations at [7 CFR 226.20\(g\)\(1\)](#) require substitutions or modifications in Program meals and snacks for participants whose disability restricts their diet. Institutions and facilities must provide modifications for participants on a case-by-case basis when requests are supported by a written statement signed by a State licensed healthcare professional or a registered dietitian. The modification requested must be related to the disability or limitations caused by the disability and must be offered at no additional cost to the participant or household.

The third page of this document ("Medical Plan of Care for Child Nutrition Programs") may be used to obtain the required information from the State licensed healthcare professional or registered dietitian. In Pennsylvania, the following may sign the medical statement:

- Physician
- Physician assistant
- Certified registered nurse practitioner
- Dentist
- Registered dietitian

The written medical statement must include:

- An explanation of how the participant's physical or mental impairment restricts their diet;
- An explanation of what must be done to accommodate the participant; and
- The food or foods to be omitted and recommended alternatives, if appropriate.

Modified meals that do not meet USDA meal pattern requirements are reimbursable only when supported by a valid medical statement for a participant with a disability that affects their diet. Meal substitutions that adhere to Program regulations are reimbursable with or without a medical statement.

2. Meal Variations for Non-disability Reasons

Institutions and facilities are encouraged to plan and prepare meals and snacks that consider participants' dietary preferences. Special meal requests related to general health concerns, personal or cultural preferences, and moral or religious convictions are not based on a disability and are *optional* for institutions and facilities to accommodate. Meal modifications for non-disability reasons must adhere to Program regulations.

3. Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act

Under Section 504 of the *Rehabilitation Act of 1973*, the *Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990*, the *ADA Amendments Act of 2008*, and USDA regulations at [7 CFR Part 15b](#), a person with a disability means any person who has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities or major bodily functions, has a record of such an impairment, or is regarded as having such an impairment.

A physical or mental impairment does not need to be life threatening in order to constitute a disability. If it limits a major life activity, it is considered a disability. *Major life activities* include, but are not limited to: caring for oneself, performing manual tasks, seeing, hearing, eating, sleeping, walking, standing, lifting, bending, speaking, breathing, learning, reading, concentrating, thinking, communicating, and working. A major life activity also includes the operation of a major bodily function, including but not limited to:

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Please read pages 1 and 2 before completing this form.

Participant's Name	Date of Birth	Age/Classroom
Name of Child Care or Adult Care Facility or Institution		
Name of Parent/Guardian or Participant's Representative	Phone Number of Parent/Guardian/Representative	
Signature of Parent/Guardian or Participant's Representative	Date	
1. Provide an explanation below of how the participant's physical or mental impairment restricts the participant's diet: 		
2. Describe the specific diet or necessary modifications prescribed by the State licensed healthcare professional or registered dietitian to accommodate the participant's needs: 		
3. List the food or foods to be omitted (please be specific) and recommended alternatives, if appropriate. <u>Foods to be omitted:</u> 		
<u>Suggested substitutions:</u> 		
4. Indicate texture modifications, if applicable: ☐ Chopped/Cut into bite-sized pieces ☐ Diced/Finely Ground ☐ Pureed ☐ Other: _____		
5. List any required special adaptive equipment: 		
State Licensed Healthcare Professional or Registered Dietitian Name & Credentials (Please Print)		Provider Phone Number
Signature of State Licensed Healthcare Professional or Registered Dietitian		Date

Completing the following section is optional but may prevent delays by allowing the Program to speak with healthcare professional.

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act Waiver

In accordance with the provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, I hereby authorize _____ (healthcare professional) to release such protected health information of the participant as is necessary for the specific purpose of Special Diet information to _____ (CACFP facility/institution) and I consent to allow the healthcare professional to freely exchange the information listed on this form and in their records concerning the participant with the child care/adult care food program as necessary. I understand that I may refuse to sign this authorization without impact on the eligibility of my request for a Special Diet for the participant. I understand that permission to release this information may be rescinded at any time except when the information has already been released. My permission to release this information will expire on _____ (date). This information is to be released for the specific purpose of Special Diet information.

The undersigned certifies that he/she is (**circle one**): **Parent** **Guardian** **Adult participant** or **Representative of participant** listed on this document and has the legal authority to sign on behalf of that person.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

functions of the immune system; normal cell growth; and digestive, bowel, bladder, neurological, brain, respiratory, circulatory, endocrine, and reproductive functions.

4. Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

Preschool children, infants, and toddlers with disabilities have additional rights under the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act* (IDEA). Questions regarding the IDEA's requirements should be directed to the U.S. Department of Education, which is the federal agency responsible for the administration and enforcement of the IDEA.

Child Nutrition Program (CACFP) Contact

For more information about requesting accommodations to Program meals and the meal service for participants with disabilities please contact:

Click here to enter local contact name and information.

USDA Nondiscrimination Statement

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at:

<https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

1. **mail:**
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
2. **fax:**
(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
3. **email:**
program.intake@usda.gov.

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