



## Child and Adult Care Food Program Special Diet Statement

(Food preferences are not an appropriate use of this form)

**Instructions to complete the form:**

Please carefully read and follow the instructions provided to request a special meal or accommodation to the CACFP meal pattern. The Special diet statement form should only be completed for participants who have a physical or mental impairment that limits one or more major life activities (includes eating, breathing, digestive and respiratory functions, etc.) and requires a special meal or accommodation.

Institutions and facilities participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), **must** comply with the request specified in the special diet statement at no extra charge for the participants with documented disabilities and/or a medical need

<b>1. Name of Participant (Last, First)</b>	<b>2. Age or Date of Birth</b>
<b>3. Name of Parent or Guardian</b>	<b>4. Telephone Number</b>
<b>5. Institution/Child Care Provider Name</b>	<b>6. Telephone Number</b>
<b>Medical Authority Only. Sections 7-11 should be completed by the Medical Authority.</b>	
<b>7. Describe the impairment(s) or reason(s) for request (brief explanation of how exposure to food(s) affects participant):</b>	
<b>8. Foods to be omitted and substitutions:</b>	
List specific foods to be omitted and suggested substitutions. Attach an additional sheet with more information if needed. Example: Foods to be Omitted: "Fluid milk and soy milk or soy products." Suggested Substitutions: "Serve almond milk instead."	
<b>A. Foods To Be Omitted</b>	<b>B. Suggested Substitutions</b>
<b>9. If texture accommodations are needed, indicate texture needed by checking one of the boxes below:</b>	
Chopped <input type="checkbox"/> Ground <input type="checkbox"/> Pureed <input type="checkbox"/> Liquid <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Specify: _____	
<b>10. Adaptive Equipment</b>	
If the participant needs a special equipment, describe the specific equipment required to assist the participant with dining. Examples may include a sippy cup, a large handled spoon, wheel chair accessible furniture, etc.	
<b>11. Licensed Physician (MD, DO), Advance Practice Nurse, Dentist, or Physician Assistant information*</b>	
<b>Signature</b>	<b>Title</b>
<b>Printed name</b>	<b>Telephone</b>
<b>Medical Office Name and Address</b>	
<b>Parent/Legal Guardian Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>

\* A completed Special Diet Statement form must be signed by a Licensed Physician (MD or DO), Advanced Practice Nurse (APN) with prescriptive authority (RXN), Dentist (DDS DMD) or Physician Assistant (PA).

## Nondiscrimination Statement

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