

## MEDICAL STATEMENT TO REQUEST SPECIAL MEALS AND/OR ACCOMMODATIONS

1. SCHOOL/AGENCY	2. SITE	3. SITE TELEPHONE NUMBER	
4. NAME OF PARTICIPANT		5. AGE OR DATE OF BIRTH	
6. NAME OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN		7. TELEPHONE NUMBER	
8. CHECK : <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Participant has a disability or a medical condition and <i>requires</i> a special meal or accommodation. (Refer to definitions on reverse side of this form.) Schools and agencies participating in federal nutrition programs must comply with requests for special meals and any adaptive equipment. <b>A licensed physician must sign this form.</b>			
9. DISABILITY OR MEDICAL CONDITION REQUIRING A SPECIAL MEAL OR ACCOMMODATION:			
10. IF PARTICIPANT HAS A DISABILITY, PROVIDE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PARTICIPANT'S MAJOR LIFE ACTIVITY OR MAJOR BODILY FUNCTION AFFECTED BY THE DISABILITY:			
11. DIET PRESCRIPTION AND/OR ACCOMMODATION: <i>(PLEASE DESCRIBE IN DETAIL TO ENSURE PROPER IMPLEMENTATION)</i>			
12. INDICATE TEXTURE: <input type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Chopped <input type="checkbox"/> Ground <input type="checkbox"/> Pureed			
13. FOODS TO BE OMITTED AND SUBSTITUTIONS: <i>(PLEASE LIST SPECIFIC FOODS TO BE OMITTED AND SUGGESTED SUBSTITUTIONS. YOU MAY ATTACH A SHEET WITH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION)</i>			
<b>A. Foods To Be Omitted</b>		<b>B. Suggested Substitutions</b>	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
14. ADAPTIVE EQUIPMENT:			
15. SIGNATURE OF PREPARER*	16. PRINTED NAME	17. TELEPHONE NUMBER	18. DATE
19. SIGNATURE OF MEDICAL AUTHORITY*	20. PRINTED NAME	21. TELEPHONE NUMBER  Fax Number	22. DATE

**\* Physician's signature is required for participants with a disability.**

The information on this form should be updated to reflect the current medical and/or nutritional needs of the participant.

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## INSTRUCTIONS

1. **School/Agency:** Print the name of the school or agency that is providing the form to the parent.
2. **Site:** Print the name of the site where meals will be served (e.g., school site, child care center, community center, etc.)
3. **Site Telephone Number:** Print the telephone number of site where meal will be served. See #2.
4. **Name of Participant:** Print the name of the child or adult participant to whom the information pertains.
5. **Age of Participant:** Print the age of the participant. For infants, please use Date of Birth.
6. **Name of Parent or Guardian:** Print the name of the person requesting the participant's medical statement.
7. **Telephone Number:** Print the telephone number of parent or guardian.
8. **Check:** Check the box indicating participant has a medically necessary condition requiring special meal accommodation.
9. **Disability or Medical Condition Requiring a Special Meal or Accommodation:** Describe the medical condition that requires a special meal or accommodation (e.g., juvenile diabetes, allergy to peanuts, etc.)
10. **If Participant has a Disability, Provide a Brief Description of Participant's Major Life Activity Affected by the Disability:** Describe how physical or medical condition affects disability. For example: "Allergy to peanuts causes a life-threatening reaction."
11. **Diet Prescription and/or Accommodation:** Describe a specific diet or accommodation that has been prescribed by a physician, or describe diet modification requested for a non-disabling condition. For example: "All foods must be either in liquid or pureed form. Participant cannot consume any solid foods."
12. **Indicate Texture:** Check (✓) a box to indicate the type of texture of food that is required. If the participant does not need any modification, check "Regular".
13. **A. Foods to Be Omitted:** List specific foods that must be omitted. For example, the "exclude fluid milk."  
**B. Suggested Substitutions:** List specific foods to include in the diet. For example, "soy milk."
14. **Adaptive Equipment:** Describe specific equipment required to assist the participant with dining. (Examples may include a sippy cup, a large handled spoon, wheel-chair accessible furniture, etc.)
15. **Signature of Preparer:** Signature of person completing form.
16. **Printed Name:** Print name of person completing form.
17. **Telephone Number:** Telephone number of person completing form.
18. **Date:** Date preparer signed form.
19. **Signature of Medical Authority:** Signature of physician requesting the special meal or accommodation.
20. **Printed Name:** Print name of physician.
21. **Telephone and Fax Number:** Telephone number and fax number of physician.
22. **Date:** Date physician signed form.

## DEFINITIONS\*:

**"A Person with a Disability"** is defined as any person who has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more major life activities, has a record of or is regarded as having such an impairment.

**"Physical or mental impairment"** means (a) any physiological disorder or condition, cosmetic disfigurement, or anatomical loss affecting one or more of the following body systems: neurological; musculoskeletal; special sense organs; respiratory, including speech organs; cardiovascular; reproductive, digestive, genito-urinary; hemic and lymphatic; skin; circulatory; brain; endocrine; and normal cell growth or (b) any mental or psychological disorder, such as mental retardation, organic brain syndrome, emotional or mental illness, and specific learning disabilities.

**"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.

**"Has a record of such an impairment"** is defined as having a history of, or have been classified (or misclassified) as having a mental or physical impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.

(\*Citations from Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990)