

NUTRITION SECTION

Residential Child Nutrition Program

What is the purpose of the program?

The Nutrition Section administers the Residential Child Nutrition Program through the Georgia Department of Education's National School Lunch Program and provides on-site compliance monitoring and technical assistance, training resources, procedure manuals, and staff development opportunities to Georgia Department of Human Resources (DHR), teachers, food service directors, and adolescents.

What does the program do?

The program provides nutritious meals and nutrition education to school-age adolescents who are residents of DHR's Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Addictive Diseases (MHDDAD) facilities and Warm Springs Rehabilitation Center.

How many people does the program help?

Approximately 275 to 300 adolescents are served annually.

Why is the program important?

Prevention of major illnesses such as heart disease, diet-related cancer, hypertension, and obesity is important for all Georgians. Adolescents in this program receive education and balanced meals that meet the USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans.

Who is eligible?

Every adolescent who enters MHDDAD facilities and the Warm Springs FDR Rehabilitation Center is eligible to receive program services.

Where are services located?

There are 8 facilities statewide.

Outcome measures

100% of DHR facilities shall comply with federal regulations and State Department of Education regulations. Facilities have 30 days from the date of an administrative review to resolve areas found out of compliance.

Legislative authority

Code of Federal Regulations 7CDF Parts 210 and 220.

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