

**North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
Division of Public Health
Women's & Children's Health Section
Nutrition Services Branch
Special Nutrition Programs**

CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM

**Free and Reduced Priced Policy Statement
Independent Centers**

(Name of Institution)

(Agreement Number)

All participants are served the same meals at no separate charge. In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotope, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by mail to U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, by fax (202) 690-7442; or email at program.intake@usda.gov. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Approved by: _____ on _____
(Committee responsible for approving policies) (date)

Adopted by Board of Directors on: _____
(date)

Signature of Board Chair
or President of Organization: _____
(Signature) (date)