# WHAT IS SANFORD'S FAMILY DAY CARE NETWORK?

The Family Day Care Network is a sponsoring organization that provides training, monitoring and technical support to registered day care home providers participating in the CACFP, within southeastern South Dakota.

#### As a sponsoring organization, We are responsible for:

- Assessing compliance of meal pattern requirements
- Record keeping procedures
- Determining the eligibility of the provider's own children participating on the program
- Classifying Tier I and Tier II child care providers
- Monitoring of facilities
- Ongoing training regarding program regulations

#### We provide:

- Required forms
- Trainings for day care home providers
- Monitoring visits at a provider's home (announced and unannounced) to ensure nutritious meals are being served according to approved menus
- Technical support for day care home providers

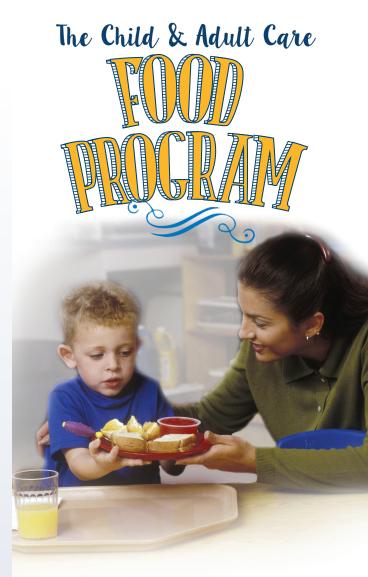
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### CHILD CARE PROVIDER INFORMATION



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Children need well-balanced meals in order to meet their daily energy needs and to help them build strong bodies and minds. Proper nutrition is important to good health and is also an important part of a good child care program.

#### WHAT IS THE CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM (CACFP)?

The CACFP is a federal program under the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) that provides aid to child and adult care institutions and family or group day care homes to serve nutritious foods.

Participating day care home providers are reimbursed for meals served to children in their care. All reimbursed meals must follow meal patterns set by USDA. A day care home provider can receive reimbursement for two meals and one snack, or two snacks and one meal for each child in the provider's care per day.

#### HOW IS REIMBURSEMENT DETERMINED?

USDA has established a two-tier reimbursement system, Tier I and Tier II. Reimbursement rates are determined upon eligibility for Tier I or Tier II. The rates of reimbursement are established annually by the USDA and are effective July 1 to June 30.

To determine whether you're eligible for a Tier 1 or Tier II reimbursement rate, call Sanford's Family Day Care Network for more information.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

The Child and Adult Care Food Program is 100% federally funded and administered in South Dakota by the Department of Education, Child and Adult Nutrition Services.

# **Benefits of Joining the CACFP**

- Reimbursement for meals served to the children in your care
- Stay up-to-date on children's nutritional needs
- Reassures parents that their child's nutritional needs are being met at child care

#### **PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

The following is a brief overview of CACFP program requirements, but is not all-inclusive.

• Must be state licensed

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- Prepare meals according to regulations
- Serve meals that meet CACFP meal pattern guidelines
- Follow record keeping requirements
- Participate in trainings through Sanford's Family Day Care Network
- Allow Sanford's Family Day Care Network monitoring staff into your child care facility for announced and unannounced visits

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- Networking opportunities with other child care providers
- Free Technical Support on:
  - Meal planning
  - Picky eaters
  - and more

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• Ongoing training

#### **READY TO JOIN THE CACFP?**

Contact Sanford's Family Day Care Network

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