

Who Administers CACFP in Pennsylvania?

If you are interested in participating to ensure that children in your care have access to CACFP meals, you may contact our office at the e-mail and telephone number listed below. Our staff will be happy to provide you with additional information.

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What kind of financial assistance is available?

Under the CACFP, providers earn reimbursement for every complete meal served. Providers receive reimbursement based on meals multiplied by their determined rates.

Rates are determined by the income of the provider's geographic location; first by school data, then census, and finally by provider household income. The Home Sponsor will work with you to determine your reimbursement Tier.

The reimbursement rates for July 2013 through June 2014 are provided below:

Reimbursement Rates	Tier 1	Tier 2
Breakfast	\$1.28	\$0.47
Lunch/Supper	\$2.40	\$1.45
Snack	\$.71	\$.19

For more information about the **Child and Adult Care Food Program**, you can visit the USDA's website at:

www.fns.usda.gov



Pennsylvania Child And Adult Care Food Program

Relative/Neighbor Provider



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- Health Standards
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CACFP provides reimbursement for meals and snacks served to children receiving non-residential day care in private homes that are licensed, registered, or approved to subsidized relative/neighbor child care.

As a *Relative/Neighbor provider* approved through your Child Care Information Services (CCIS) you are eligible to participate in the CACFP in Pennsylvania.



- Children in low-income areas have nutritious meals.
- Parents know their children have access to food that follows current nutrition guidelines.
- Provider receive Federal assistance to provide meals to children in their care.
- Providers can stretch dollars in order to keep costs down for parents.
- Provider may be eligible to claim his/her own children's meals while subsidized children are in care.

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About CACFP

CACFP provides higher levels of reimbursement to providers in low-income areas, and to providers and children most in need. The reimbursements make the cost of day care more affordable for many lower income families.

Health and safety standards, training, and monitoring make CACFP an important component of quality child care, especially in family day care homes.

Applying to Participate

1. If you are an approved relative/neighbor child care provider and are caring for a child receiving subsidized child care, contact one of the CACFP Home Sponsors. The Directory is available at the Child Nutrition Program Electronic Application and Reimbursement System (PEARS) Website at: www.pears.ed.state.pa.us Select "New Sponsor Application Packet," then "CACFP" and select the "Home Sponsor Directory."

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2. Select and contact a CACFP Home Sponsor of your choice.
3. The Sponsor's staff will have you sign an agreement to participate, and provide training and paperwork.

What meals are eligible for reimbursement?

Provider may claim reimbursement for up to two meals and one snack, or two snacks and one meal per child daily, and are based on your approved hours of care. Only complete meals served to children while in care may be claimed.

Your own children's meals may be eligible for reimbursement during approved hours of care if other children are also in attendance for the meal service. Your Home Sponsor will assist you with this process.

