

USDA NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENTS

PURPOSE: To clarify the current civil right policy requirements for use of the USDA nondiscrimination statement for recipient agencies.

SCOPE: Organizations participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program.

DESCRIPTION: The following corrected version of the USDA nondiscrimination statement is to be included, in full, on all materials that are produced by the organization for public information, public education, or public distribution:

“In accordance with Federal law and U. S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.

To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, or call 202-72-5964 (voice and TDD). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.”

If the material is too small to permit the full statement to be included, the material will at a minimum include the statement, in print no smaller than the text, that “This institution is an equal opportunity provider.”

In general, the USDA poster “And Justice for All” will be used. Sites will post the nondiscrimination poster in languages appropriate to the local population.

SOURCE: FY 00 CACFP Policy Memorandum #8-0.