

BRIGHT FROM THE START Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning Child and Adult Care Food Program 2 Martin Luther King Jr., Drive, SE Suite 754 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

Institution Name _____ CACFP Agreement #_____

Instructions:

This checklist should be used when an Independent Center adds a site its CACFP Agreement that is legally owned, operated and reports revenue to the FEIN of the approved independent center. If a second site is not owned and operated by the same legal entity, the second site may submit a complete application as an independent center. In this situation the Independent Center will become a Sponsoring organization of "affiliated" centers. This means that you will become a "center sponsor", sponsoring all affiliated centers under the auspices of the Program Agreement with Bright from the Start.

As a center sponsor, there are additional application requirements, including but not limited to, the submission of a new management plan, annual budget, and completing additional training. To get started, please contact the Application Specialist. In preparation for this transition, please review the Sponsoring Organization Provisions section of the CACFP regulations, 7 CFR 226.16. Submit the checklist to your assigned Application Specialist via email or at:

Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning Attn: Application Specialist- CACFP 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Suite 754 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

Preliminary Requirements:

Review the following items in their entirety and place a check beside each item to indicate completion. All the documents can be accessed on the Bright from the Start website at <u>http://www.decal.ga.gov/.</u> The Program Contact must complete the assessment and return with the Add-a-Site Package.

____1. Principal/Program Contact met the additional training requirements and completed the training assessment.

_____2. Principal/Program Contact has read Section 16 of 7 Code of Federal Regulations 226.16

_____ 3. Principal/Program Contact has read the Child or Adult Care Handbook, whichever is applicable to the organization

Section I. Facility to be Added:

In 1st column, list the name of the facility for which an application is being submitted.

In **2nd column**, if the facility is currently participating in the CACFP in direct agreement Bright from the Start, enter the Bright from the Start Agreement #, or the last claim month reimbursement was received. If the facility is a new facility that is not currently participating on the CACFP, leave this column blank.

In the **3rd column**, indicate the date the Principal/Program Contact verified that the center's Principal or staff performing CACFP duties is not terminated and currently disqualified from participating in the CACFP. Refer to DECAL's policy guidance at <u>http://www.decal.ga.gov/documents/attachments/Web-BasedUSDA-NDLInfo.pdf.</u>

In the **4th column**, indicate the anticipated date to begin claiming reimbursement for this center under your sponsorship. Please reference CACFP policy # 8 when determining anticipated effective date to operate. Sign below the table.

(1) Legal and Doing Business Name of Facility to Add	(2) Did the facility previously participate in the CACFP? If yes, provide the last claim month	(3) Date Verification of the NDL	(4) Anticipated Effective Date to Operate

Signature and Title of Principal/Program Contact

Date

Section II. Forms/Documents due to Bright from the Start:

- 1. ADD-A-SITE Checklist (Submit the entire checklist for each site)
 - 2. Copy of original IRS letter assigning Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) to the entities' legal business name.
- ____3. Most current registration filed on-line with the Secretary of State, indicating corporation officers. (Government, Military Installations, and BOEs are exempt)
- 4. Deed or lease of center with legal name of business or owner's name referenced in the document. (Government, Military Installations, and BOEs are exempt)
- _____ 5. Center Site Application (Submitted in GA ATLAS. Sponsors must submit one per site)
 - a. _____ If charging a separate fee for meals, the center is considered a pricing center. If a pricing center, the site must complete and submit a Written Free and Reduced Price Policy Statement (See site pricing information in the application instruction booklet for more information or refer to 7 CFR 226.23(c) to review what must be included in the policy statement.)

All organizations that contract out with another entity to prepare and deliver meals must submit one of the following:

- a. ____ Agreement to Furnish Food Service for Sites using a School Food Authority (Not applicable to sites that prepare their own meals or have a central kitchen for sites owned by the same legal entity)
- **b.** _____ **Procurement Documents for sites that intend to contract with a vendor** (Not applicable to sites that prepare their own meals, have a central kitchen for sites owned by same legal entity, or use a School Food Authority) Include Procurement Checklist, Agreement to Furnish Foods/Contract and Small Purchase Document.

Use **Procurement Manual** found on Bright from the Start website.

_____ 6. Roster of Food Program Participants – Adult Care Center or Child Care Center Roster of Food Program Participants.

a. ____ At Risk After School Program Roster of Food Program Participants (If applicable, a separate roster must be created solely for the children in the At Risk Program.)

- _____7. Media Release for site(s) added (Use correct release depending on pricing/non-pricing programs.)
- _____ 8. Copy of **completed** pre-operational visit conducted with new site(s).

Section III. Forms/Documents regarding legal entity: Corporations, LLC, and Partnership ONLY: If

the site is incorporated, a limited liability, or partnership, check the appropriate item and send in requested information. (Government, Military, and BOE's exempt)

- ____1. Copy of Certificate of Incorporation for Incorporated centers
- _____ 2. Copy of Certificate of Organization for Limited Liability Companies
- _____ 3. Copy of Certificate of Limited Partnership for partnerships
- _____ 4. Copy of Articles of Incorporation for Incorporated centers
- _____ 5. Copy of Articles of Organization for Limited Liability Companies

Section IV. FOR CHILD CARE PROGRAMS ONLY

Forms/Documents to determine eligibility for all Child Care Programs: To qualify for the CACFP, the child care center must meet one of the following conditions. Place a check beside the eligibility method being used to qualify the program and submit any documents requested under the item checked. Item 3 can only be used after determining the child care center does not qualify under Item 2, Title XX/Pre-K Cat 1.

- 1. ____*Non-Profit* child care centers (Check item 1 no documents needed except for churches)
 - a. ____ If a church which has tax-exempt status under the umbrella of the national church affiliation, submit the list attached to the IRS letter which contains the church's name, or submit a letter from the chief financial officer, or comparable person verifying that that subordinate church is included in the tax-exempt status of the national organization along with item an above.
 - b. ____If a church or the parent organization has not filed for tax-exempt status with the IRS, submit the Tax Exempt Status Certification for Churches form with section 2 completed and signed by the financial officer of the organization.
- 2. ____ *For-Profit* child care centers qualifying by 25% of the enrolled children or licensed capacity (whichever is less) receiving compensation under Title XX and/or Georgia Pre-K Category 1
 - a. ____ Submit copies of DFCS forms 69 or 77 that are signed by the DCFS representative, or Maximus report for Title XX children
- 3. ____ *For-Profit* child care centers qualifying by 25% of the enrolled children or licensed capacity (whichever is less) being eligible for Free and/or Reduced price meals based on the income stated on the Income Eligibility Statements
 - a. ____ Obtain complete Income Eligibility Statements for all children. Indicate each child's eligibility on the Roster of Food Program Participants that is submitted with the application. Do Not Submit the IES forms.

Licensure/Alternate Approval Verification for all Child Care Centers: Place a check beside the item that applies to each site for which you are making an application and submit the documents indicated under the item checked if requested to do so. Refer to the section on licensing in the new application instruction booklet if you have questions concerning licensure or exemptions from licensure.

- 1. ____ If licensed by Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning, check here and submit copy of license (or approval to operate if new and no license has been received)
 - a. ____ Submit copy of most recent Inspection Report (within past 12 months)

- 2. If licensed by the Department of Defense, check here and submit Certificate to Operate a Child **Development Program**
 - a. ____ Submit copy of most recent Installation Child Care Evaluation Team Assessment
- 3. ____If approved by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to operate a Head Start program, submit the following:

a. ____Head Start Performance Standard Review (Triennial or 360 Degree assessment) (Provide a copy of the cover letter from the center's most recent review)

- 4. If approved by any other Federal, State, or local entity, submit the current approval documentation from the governing Federal, State, or Local authority.
- 5. Alternate Licensure and Child Care Standards

If the child care center or emergency shelter is not approved by a Federal, State, or local authority, the center must meet CACFP Child Care Standards in order to qualify for the program. The Georgia law requires all child care programs to be licensed or exempt.

- a. Alternate Licensure Self-Certification form (child care centers only)
- b. ____Exemption Letter from Child Care Licensing
- c . ____Copy of Certificate of Occupancy Child Care Standards Form
- d. ____Copy of a current health/sanitation permit or satisfactory report and fire inspection conducted by local governing agency within the past 12 months. (BOE's are exempt. SFSP sponsors transitioning to at-risk may submit documentation of a current inspection obtained for SFSP camp site at same location as at-risk site.)
- e. Please select a response to the question below. Yes No Are meals being prepared, i.e., cooked, altered, unpackaged, reheated, etc., in the space/location as indicated on the health/food inspection that is being submitted with the application?
- 6. Center is an Emergency/Homeless, At Risk After-School Care, or Outside Schools Hours program and is not required to have Federal, State, or local licensing.
 - a. ___Copy of Certificate of Occupancy
 - b. <u>Exemption Letter from Child Care Licensing (Not applicable to Emergency/Homeless shelters)</u>
 - c. Please select a response to the question below. ____ Yes ____ No Are meals being prepared, i.e., cooked, altered, unpackaged, reheated, etc., in the space/location as indicated on the health/food inspection that is being submitted with the application?

SECTION V. FOR ADULT CARE CENTERS ONLY

Forms/Documents to determine eligibility for Adult Care Programs: Submit any documents requested under each section below.

Profit versus Non-profit: Place a check beside the eligibility method you are using to qualify for the program

- ____ Non-Profit adult care centers (Check item 1 no documents needed except for churches) 1.
 - a. ____If a church which has tax-exempt status under the umbrella of the national church affiliation, submit the list attached to the IRS letter which contains the church's name, or submit a letter from the chief financial officer, or comparable person verifying that that subordinate church is included in the tax-exempt status of the national organization along with item an above.

- b. ____If a church or the parent organization has not filed for tax-exempt status with the IRS, submit the Tax Exempt Status Certification for Churches form with section 2 completed and signed by the financial officer of the organization.
- 2. ____ *For-Profit* adult centers qualifying by 25% of the enrolled adults or licensed capacity (whichever is less) receiving compensation under Title XIX
 - a. ____Submit Title XIX documentation (list from the Department of Medical assistance of those participants receiving Medicaid funding).

Licensure/Approval for Adult Centers: Adult centers must be licensed or have approval from a Federal, State, or Local authority, and must demonstrate they have met written standards of criteria. Refer to Bright from the Start CACFP policy 33.

1. _____Submit a copy of the valid license, or approval documentation from a governing Federal, State, or Local authority (approval documentation may be in the form of certification, review instrument or approval letter If the review instrument is not submitted, attach the written standards or criteria on which the center is evaluated). Note: As of January 7, 2015, State law requires adult day care centers which provide adult care services to be licensed and/or approved to operate by the Georgia Department of Community Health. Refer to Bright from the Start Policy 33-Revision Effective Date 10/1/2015 for more information.

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at: <u>https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf</u>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by **mail:** U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or **fax:** (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or **email:** program.intake@usda.gov</u> This institution is an equal opportunity provider.