



**Georgia Dept
of Early Care
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December 16, 2025

Greetings Child Nutrition Program Operators,

Nutrition Services provides a monthly Training Announcement that includes all training session(s) offered in the upcoming month(s). The following training session(s) will be offered during the month of **January**.

Register today!

CACFP Training

January 27, 2026

Tuesday Tip! When to Request a Medical Statement

1:30-2:00 pm

Are you confident in knowing when a medical statement is required for participants with special dietary needs? Do you understand what documentation is necessary and how to properly follow program guidelines?

Please join this webinar for a clear and informative overview of:

- When to Request a Medical Statement
- Learn when a medical statement is needed
- What the medical statement must include
- How to ensure compliance for your program.

[Register Now]

CACFP and Happy Helpings Training

January 13, 2026

Tuesday Tip! Physical Activity in Small Spaces: Four Games to Promote Movement in Limited Space

1:30-2:00pm

Are you looking for simple, effective ways to keep children active even when space is limited? Would you like fresh ideas that promote movement, engagement, and fun in small indoor areas?

Please join this webinar for an energizing overview of how to promote movement in limited spaces.

[Register Now]

January 15, 2026

PALS Session 1: Physical Activity is Important in Early Childhood **1:00-2:00 pm**

Are you interested in learning why physical activity is essential for young children, and how it supports healthy development? Do you want practical strategies to help integrate movement into daily routines?

Join us for an informative session on practical strategies to help integrate movement into daily routines.

[\[Register Now\]](#)

January 26, 2026 **Memo Monday: Requirement to Accept Medical Statements from** **Registered Dietitians** **10:00 am-12:00 pm**

Are you aware of the guidelines for accepting medical statements completed by registered dietitians? Do you understand how this requirement supports accurate dietary accommodations and program compliance?

Please join this webinar for a clear and informative overview of:

- Statements Supporting Accommodations for children with Disabilities in the Child Nutrition Programs

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Happy Helpings Training

January 8, 2026 **Happy Helpings Kick-off Call** **11:00 a.m.**

Join Tamika Boone, Director of Nutrition Services for the Happy Helpings Kick-off Call for experienced sponsors on Thursday, January 8 at 11:00 a.m. for updates on the upcoming summer meals season.

Microsoft Teams [Need help?](#)

[Join the meeting now](#)

Meeting ID: 237 510 935 222 10

Passcode: st6XY9vP

Dial in by phone +1 470-481-4462,,307392855#

January 14, 2026 **Happy Helpings Budget Readiness 1** **10:00 am-12:00 pm**

Are you prepared to manage your budget effectively for the upcoming Happy Helpings season? Do you understand the key financial requirements and tools needed to stay compliant and organized?

Join us for an essential overview of being Budget Ready for Happy Helpings.

[\[Register Now\]](#)

January 21, 2026 **Happy Helpings Experienced Sponsor Training (virtual)** **9:30am-2:00pm**

Are you an experienced sponsoring organization that operated and participated in Happy Helpings during the previous fiscal year without significant operational deficiencies and with the same Program Contact as last year?

If so, please plan to attend one of our Experienced Sponsor trainings that are offered to eligible sponsoring organizations.

All returning sponsors that plan to operate this upcoming summer must attend one of these training sessions to continue participation in the program. This training will include an instructor-led format to satisfy training requirements.

[\[Register Now\]](#)

Notes:

This is a two-step process:

- **Step 1:** After registering in GA ATLAS, you will receive a Training Confirmation email *immediately* from Georgia DECAL Help Desk -helpdesk@cnpus.com with a registration link to attend the webinar (**check your spam/junk folder**).
- **Step 2:** You must then register for the training using the link provided on the Training confirmation e-mail.
- If you should have an issue with registering, please contact Leslie Truman prior to the day of training.
- [Click here](#) if you need a refresher on how to register for training in GA ATLAS.

Please note: Only the Program Contact (PC) can self-register within GA ATLAS. If an additional person will be attending, please contact Leslie Truman, Administrative Assistant, at (404) 657-1779 for assistance.

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