

## Dietary Modification Decision-making Flowchart

School is notified of a student with a potential need for a modified diet

Has a Medical Statement form been completed?

No

A Medical Statement form must be completed before proceeding.

Yes

Is the info clear and substantive?

No

Upon written permission from the parent or guardian to contact the physician, advanced practice nurse or physician assistant the school needs to obtain clarified information from the physician, advanced practice nurse or physician assistant who completed the Medical Statement

Yes

**Medical Statement-  
Non Disability**

Signed by a recognized medical authority

OR

**Medical Statement-  
Dietary Disability**

Signed by a licensed physician, advanced practice nurse with prescriptive authority or physician assistant

Does the district/school choose to provide accommodations for students without a dietary disability?

No

Districts/schools are not required to provide meal modifications for students without a dietary disability.

Yes

Modifications to the meal must still meet the USDA meal pattern requirements.

School is required to provide accommodations specified on the Medical Statement.

Student may already have an IEP or 504 Plan.

School may need to convene a team to review the Medical Statement.



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