

Being Prepared For A Successful Monitoring Visit

Always have your recordkeeping current and available for review.
Have your License, Building for the Future, and Meal Pattern posted.
In a binder, have copies of signed Enrollment Forms, your Permanent Agreement, Medical Statements, etc. for your Monitor to review at the visit.
Paper Retention: Your CACFP documents are to be retained for 3 years plus the current year. Your Monitor will ask to see the current year's documents.
New children are to be enrolled by the <i>first day of care</i> and signed enrollments must be mailed to the office within the first 5 days of the child's enrollment date (even if they are on a trial basis or drop-in care).
Serve milk with the correct fat content as instructed by Licensing and USDA regulations. Whole milk is recommended for children one year old. Children ages two years and older must be offered 1% or fat free milk.
Have water readily available throughout the day.
Ensure meals have the correct components per meal offered in the correct portion amounts per age group, and serve all foods at the same time.
Notify the office in writing/email if your meal times change.
A signed Medical Statement must be on file for children with food allergies who require a food substitution. Keep a copy for your own records as well.
Label breast milk with the child's name and date, and use within 72 hours.
If infants are in care, a "House Formula" must be offered. Your choice of any FDA approved formula with iron is acceptable.
Have CN labels or processed food packaging available for review by your Monitor to ensure you are only serving the reimbursable processed foods.
Food heated on the stove or countertop must be kept at a safe holding temperature of 140 degrees.
Ensure your facility is safe and sanitary for the children in your care.

MONITORING CHECKLIST

License, Building for the Future, and Meal Pattern are posted
Operating within License capacity
Helper is Community Care Licensing approved
Child emergency contact information readily available
Verify Provider's email, phone number, hours of operation, and meal times are current
Daily recordkeeping is current
Conduct a 5 Day Reconciliation
View Provider's copies of Enrollments, Permanent Agreement, Medical Statements, etc.
Confirm enrollment hours are current, including school hours if applicable
New children are enrolled by the first day of care, including drop-in children
View paper retention for last 12 months
View Daily Meal Worksheets if used
Discuss/offer "same day entry" in Minute Menu
Verify that the correct milk is offered for age per CACFP and Licensing requirements
Ask what the "House Formula" is for the infants if applicable
View breast milk to verify it is labeled with the child's name and dated if applicable
Verify water availability
Verify adequate food portions and correct components are offered per Meal Pattern requirements
Verify that the facility is safe and sanitary
Foods observed at a visit must match the foods claimed by the Provider
Ask if any children in care have food allergies/require a special diet
View CN labels or processed food packaging to ensure only credited foods are claimed
Ask if any Day Care children live in the Day Care home
Discuss any Health & Safety issues as needed
Discuss Serious Deficiency issues as needed
If this is a follow-up Review, document the reason for the follow up and that T.A. was offered
Have Parent Letters available for the Provider

^{**}This list is not all inclusive**