



483.60 Food and Nutrition Services



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Welcome. This is the Food and Nutrition Services section of the training.

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Ftag	Tag Subject	Key Change to Regulation or Interpretive Guidelines	Significant Change or Technical Correction
F812	Food Procurement, Store/Prepare/Serve - Sanitary	Guidance reorganized for clarification; Added language related to culture change dining practices	Significant

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Revisions were made to F812 to address concerns related to culture change in long-term care settings. These changes were specifically related to dining practices.

Key Changes to Food and Nutrition Services – F812

- F812 Food Procurement, Store/Prepare/Serve - Sanitary:

Additions included -

- Separation of food distribution and food service
- Clarification of the definition for *Food Distribution*
- Definition for *Food Service*
- Details on staff hair restraint use
- Details on staff glove use

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Previously, food distribution and food service operations were grouped together under F812. With these revisions, we separated food distribution and food service.

In doing so, we further clarified food distribution by revising the definition and adding a new definition for food service.

We also added additional detail on when staff must wear hair restraints. According to the Food Code of the Food and Drug Administration, food service staff must wear hairnets when cooking, preparing, or assembling food, such as stirring pots or assembling the ingredients of a salad. However, staff do not need to wear hairnets when distributing foods to residents at the dining table(s) or when assisting residents to dine.

Finally, we clarified when staff glove use is necessary; such as when touching ready-to-eat foods or when serving residents who are on transmission-based precautions.

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