

NEW MEXICO POLICIES & PROCEDURES

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LOCAL NUTRITION SERVICES

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NEW MEXICO FISCAL STATE UNIT ON AGING (SUA) POLICIES AND PROCEDURES Updated for 45 C.F.R. §1321.87 and §1321.91

SUA.AND.LOCAL NUTRITION

1.0 PURPOSE

- (A) The purpose of this policy is to establish the Aging and Long-Term Services Department's (ALTSD) donated Nutrition Policies and Procedures.
- **(B)** If any provision of this policy conflicts with a provision of an applicable Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), the CBA shall control.

1. DONATED PRODUCE POLICY

- A. Donated produce may not be used in meal preparation.
- B. Donated produce may be given to seniors with notice of donation source and consumed at their own discretion.
- C. All donated locally grown produce shall not have undergone any processing prior to donation, including but not limited to washing, root cropping, and/or cutting. AAA subcontractors shall document the following:
 - 1. Item being donated.
 - 2. Date of donation.
 - 3. Agency, supplier, or grower making the donation; and contact information; and,
- D. This information shall be kept on file by the AAA subcontractor and be available for review by the New Mexico Aging & Long-Term Services Department (ALTSD), Federal regulatory agencies, State and Local Public Health Departments, and others needing it for purposes of audit or compliance review.

2. MONITORING PROCEDURE

- a. The monitoring procedure is detailed throughout the "New Mexico Nutrition Handbook".
- **b.** This data is validated and compiled for submission annually by January 31, in the Older Americans Act Performance System (OAAPS).

3. GUIDES

c. The "New Mexico Nutrition Handbook" has been developed to support high-quality, responsive, personcentered services to older New Mexicans, individuals with disabilities, and their caregivers ensuring rigorous nutrition provision.

4. REFERENCES AND LINKS

Guidance for Industry: Guide to Minimize Microbial Food Safety Hazards for Fresh Fruits and Vegetables | FDA Authority 45 C.F.R. section 1321.9(c)(2), 45 C.F.R. section 1321.49, and the Fair Labor Standards Act 29 U.S.C. section 201 et seq.

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