### **CAMPUS DINING**

# **FOOD ALLERGY AND MEDICAL CONDITION ACTION PLAN**

Accommodating Individualized Dietary Requirements
Including Food Allergies, Celiac Disease, Intolerances, Sensitivities, Diabetes,
Other Medical Conditions, and Diets for Religious Observances



### **Individual Dietary Needs Statement**

Welcome to Notre Dame! If you have dietary restrictions or special dietary requirements, please know you are in good hands. Our award-winning team is trained and certified\* to meet the dietary needs of students with many different medical conditions. Whether you are diabetic, vegan, lactose intolerant, have food allergies, a broken jaw, or celiac disease, Campus Dining can accommodate your dietary needs safely, nutritiously, and deliciously.

Campus Dining will also make its best effort to accommodate students whose dietary requirements may differ due to religious and cultural backgrounds.

Students with dietary needs who require special meal planning or food preparation must have their physician fill out the dietary needs form on page 3 and return it to Jocie Antonelli, program director, nutrition services (jantonel@nd.edu; (574) 631-0106). Ms. Antonelli will then work with you one-on-one to create a plan that meets your needs.

Campus Dining will also try to accommodate the dietary needs of the University's faculty, staff, and guests, where possible. Faculty, staff, and guests of the University with special dietary needs should submit their questions or requests to Jocie Antonelli in advance of their visit (or meal), if possible, so that Campus Dining can work to provide and prepare nutritious food that safely meets their needs.

<sup>\*</sup>All of Campus Dining managers and chefs are certified to meet the dietary needs of individuals with food allergies and celiac disease in conjunction with FARE and MenuTrinfo.

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Have questions? Contact Jocie Anto	onelli, RD, via email at jantonel@	nd.edu or by phone at 574/631-0106
Full Name	UND Meal Plan	
Local Address		
Telephone Number		
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	needs, and then have your phys	the form to your physician to complete sician fax the form to Jocie Antonelli, RD, specific needs in detail.
FOR PHYSICIAN'S USE ONLY-	Please check all that apply	
Lactose Intolerance Wheat Allergy Gluten Intolerance Celiac Disease Egg Allergy	Fish Allergy Shellfish Allergy Corn Allergy Sesame Allergy	Diverticular Disease Crohn's Disease Irritable Bowel Syndrome Ulcerative Colitis Short Bowel Syndrome Oral Surgery Other, please note*
** Organic diet is not considered a valid m	edical necessity.	
What are the patient's possible red What are the medically necessary		
Indicate the length of time a spec	cial diet will be required	
Ongoing	Temporary from	ntill
Is the patient currently under con	itinuing physician's care?	YesNo
Date of last visit		
Address		
Phono Number		

# **Code of Conduct for Students with Individual Campus Dining Dietary Needs**

Students with individual dietary needs are expected to act as their own advocates, and understand their own personal responsibilities, for purposes of communicating their dietary restrictions and needs to Campus Dining. By initialing each statement below, you agree to commit to understanding your own personal responsibilities as they relate to your dietary needs.

### **DINING AT NOTRE DAME**

Notre Dame is a special place. One of the things that helps make it special is the strong sense of community. Students promote and strengthen that sense of community when they share meals together. To that end, we want all students, regardless of their food allergies and/or medical condition(s), to enjoy the shared experience of dining together. The University will work with each student on a case-by-case basis to accommodate their specific dietary needs.

#### **FOOD ALLERGIES**

We can accommodate students' food allergies, whether those allergies are mild or severe. Dining options available to students with food allergies range from eating off the general lines while relying on our labeling system, to having meals specially prepared by our chefs. We can also bring in specialty products where needed to meet a student's restrictions. The food we specially prepare will depend in part on the student's comfort level, and on the safest available options.

When dealing with life-threatening food allergies, we generally recommend that students allow our culinary staff to specially prepare their meals. These options and others will be discussed when students meet with our dietitian to determine an appropriate meal plan. Additionally, deep-fried foods have a higher rate of cross-contamination and we generally advise against their consumption.

#### **CELIAC DISEASE**

Notre Dame has a number of students who need to follow a gluten free (GF) diet. In both dining halls we have options to accommodate GF students. Starting with our labeling icons, many of our regular dining halls items are naturally gluten-free. Any food item that contains wheat, rye, barley, or non-certified GF oats is identified by the allergen declaration of "wheat," and the matching wheat icon. Many of our students simply refer to these icons to navigate their dining hall choices. Of course this does not prevent cross-contamination of naturally gluten-free foods once they are out on the dining hall lines. For this reason we are happy to hold portions of some items back in the kitchen to eliminate that risk. We also have special gluten free areas in each dining hall. Students usually take items from this area then head out to the general dining room to gather other items to complete their meal. As with food allergies, we can also specially prepare gluten-free meals for students who coordinate with the University's dietitian and their "home" dining hall. Additionally, deep-fried foods have a higher rate of cross-contamination and we generally advise against their consumption.

#### **TYPE 1 DIABETES**

Students with type 1 diabetes need to know the carbohydrate content of the food they consume. Students with type 1 diabetes often find it difficult to adhere to the University's traditional meal plan when on an insulin schedule. For this reason, Campus Dining has created a special diabetes meal plan that affords more flexibility than its standard meal plans. Students should speak with the University's dietitian to get more details about the plan.

#### **JAW PROBLEMS**

Accidents happen, and each year a small number of students suffer from broken jaws. The University also has several students each year who have difficulty chewing as a result of chronic jaw problems. Campus Dining regularly works with students who suffer from broken jaws or chronic jaw problems, and can accommodate their needs for soft or liquid diets. Students who need a modified texture diet should contact the University's dietitian.

#### **RELIGIOUS RESTRICTIONS**

Although we are a Catholic institution, we serve and accommodate students from all religious backgrounds. If you are in need of kosher meals, halal meat, or other religious dietary accommodations, our dietitian can explain our options and procedures.

#### OTHER MEDICAL CONDITIONS

Campus Dining has been accommodating all manner of medical conditions – from the more typical allergies to extremely rare health conditions – for a very long time. Students who have a special dietary need that is not addressed above should contact the dietitian who will help coordinate as necessary to ensure safe, healthy, and happy dining.

#### **LABELING**

In the North and South Dining Halls, we use icons that label for the 9 major allergens: wheat, eggs, sesame, dairy, soy, fish, shellfish, peanuts, and tree nuts. These line cards are of great assistance to students and guests with food allergies. Below is an example of our allergen key.



#### **DISCLAIMER**

Campus Dining makes every attempt to deliver up-to-date nutrition and allergen information. The information on our website and line cards is obtained through our vendors or by individual packaging, and is accurate to the best of our knowledge. Please be advised that manufacturers may change their formulations without our knowledge, or other factors may occur beyond our reasonable control that may also alter the formulations of the food we serve. Also all Campus Dining locations prepare food containing the top 9 food allergens. For these reasons, Campus Dining cannot guarantee any item prepared in its kitchens will be free of a certain ingredient or allergen, and thus will not assume liability for adverse reactions to food consumed. We require students and guests to carry necessary medications with them at all times when dining in one of our locations.