

California Developments in Child Care Nutrition and Participation

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Licensed Child Care

- Why child care aged children?
- Why child care?

The March of Time

- 2006 > Mary Story's Article in Future of Children
- 2008 > Shannon Whaley's study
- 2009 > Lorrene Ritchie's study
 > Child Care Strategic Assessment
 > Karen Kaphingst's article
 > CACFP Nutrition Standards

The March of Time

- 2010
 - › Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010
- 2011
 - › Lorrene Ritchie's study
 - › Let's Move Child Care
 - › IOM early childhood obesity policy recommendations
 - › AB 2084 and the death of AB 627 in 2009

The March of Time

- 2011
 - › Study to evaluate the implementation of AB 2084
 - › Study of areas of LA lacking CACFP Sponsors
 - › Study of CA counties with suspiciously few CACFP sites

Future research and/or advocacy questions (I)

- Should Sponsors be encouraged to consolidate food purchasing, storage, and preparation?
- Better analysis of Head Start, and CACFP.
- Should government child care subsidies provide a basis for nutritional standards?

Future research and/or advocacy questions (2)

- Should licensing fees be lowered or waived for CACFP centers and homes?
- Permit schools operating both NSLP and CACFP to do both within NSLP rules and reporting requirements.

Future research and/or advocacy questions (3)

- Should nutrition standards be imposed on license-exempt homes?
- How to improve portion sizes, particularly in preschools and centers where school districts prepare the food?
- Promote closer partnership with WIC.

CACFP recommendations

- Support and implement strongest USDA rule for improved standards.
- Promote CACFP.
 - Expand access and participation.

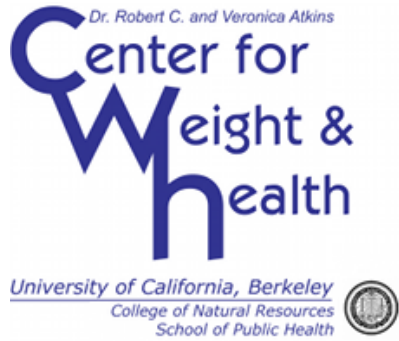
Licensed child care recommendations

- Promote SNAP/CalFresh.
- Protect AB 2084.
- Implement AB 2084.
- Include homes in California's requirement for centers to follow CACFP meal patterns.

Training recommendations

- Child Care Food Program Roundtable training of Sponsors.
- CFPA training of providers in LA.
- Nutrition education and training for kids and parents to complement IOM recommendations.

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