

## Comments on Food Bank

### Standards

#	Location	Comment	DSHS Response	Determination
1	Services, p 1. Water filtration/ purification systems communities where issues with water purity exist	How is this different from the first bullet under the “No funds can be used for” section? You may need to make this more clear.	<p><b>The limitation is that funds cannot be used to put in a water filtration system for water coming into the house – in other words for all of the water coming into the house. A water filtration system can be purchased for use if not permanently installed; such as a filtration unit at the faucet or refrigeration; or a pitcher system. Filters for this type of system could be purchased using RW funds.</b></p> <p><b>Will add to the water filtration bullet under Services: temporary water filtration systems, such as those added to refrigerator/faucet or pitcher system.....</b></p>	

2	<p>Intake and Eligibility.</p> <p>Agencies should attempt to get all relevant eligibility information from the referral source before distributing food to the client. If unsuccessful, the client may receive up to two distributions.</p>	<p>If successful, how many distributions? Again, please specify time period as below reference.</p> <p>Are these distributions per week or month?</p>	<p><b>HRSA does not limit the number of distributions. If limitations are warranted, this would need to be local decision.</b></p>	
3	<p>Services.</p> <p>Volunteers cooking meals in private kitchens must meet the same standards of hygiene as required for cooking meals on-site.</p>	<p>Would they be given instructions on how to prepare foods, especially for those who special dietician needs?</p>	<p><b>Yes, the consulting dietitian would need to give instructions on home cooked meal.</b></p>	

4	<p>Nutritional Education.</p> <p>The program should receive guidance from a licensed dietitian regarding the nutrition/caloric needs and dietary issues of person with HIV infection and has incorporated this into the program.</p>	<p>On the Draft of Food Bank Standards nothing is mentioned about consultation with registered dietitian for clients to have proper nutrition, until the bottom “chart” portion. I know several years ago a consult with a dietitian was required. Has this changed???</p>	<p><b>Reword to:</b></p> <p><b>The agency will develop and implement a program that encourages distribution of healthful foods that consider an HIV client’s nutritional, caloric and dietary needs. It is recommended that a Registered Dietician (RD) be consulted in the development of a nutritional policy that lists specific items that may be offered in the food bank/pantry.</b></p>	
5	<p>Nutritional Education</p> <p>Program may provide nutritional supplements to clients as appropriate, to the extent resources allow.”</p>	<p>Needs clarification</p>	<p><b>Reword to:</b></p> <p><b>A provisional supply of nutritional supplements may be provided to the client with a physician recommendation that outlines the types and amounts of nutritional supplements according to Medical Nutrition Therapy Standards 2015.</b></p>	
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