## **Required Signature**

This form must be signed by a licensed physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse such as a certified nurse practitioner. The medical person signing it should keep a copy of this document in his/her records.

Prescribing Authority Credentials (print):	Date:
Signature:	Clinic/Hospital:
Phone Number:	Fax Number:

## **Voluntary Authorization**

Note to Parent(s)/Guardian(s)/Participant: You may allow the director of the school/center/site to talk with the medical person about this Special Diet Statement by signing the Voluntary Authorization section:

In accordance with the provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996 and the		
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act I hereby authorize		
(physician/medical authority name) to release such protected health information as is necessary for the specific		
purpose of Special Diet information to	_(program name) and I consent to allow	
the physician/medical authority to freely exchange the information listed on this form and in their records		
concerning me, with the program as necessary. I understand that I may refuse to sign this authorization without		
impact on the eligibility of my request for a special diet for me. I understand that permission to release this		
information may be rescinded at any time except when the information has already been released. <b>Optional</b> : My		
permission to release this information will expire on	date). This information is to be released	
for the specific purpose of Special Diet information. The undersigned certifies that he/she is the parent, guardian, or		
authorized representative of the participant listed on this document and has the legal authority to sign on behalf of		
that participant.		
Parent/Cuardian:	Data	
Parent/Guardian:	Date:	
OR Participant's Signature (Adult Day Care ONLY):		

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- mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
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  1400 <u>Independence Avenue, SW</u>
  Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- 3. email: <a href="mailto:program.intake@usda.gov">program.intake@usda.gov</a>.

2. fax: (202) 690-7442; or

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