

MEMORANDUM

Department of Aging and Disability Services Regulatory Services Policy * Survey and Certification Clarification

TO: Regulatory Services
Regional Directors and State Office Managers

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SUBJECT: Paid Feeding Assistant Requirements – S&CC 10-02
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APPLIES TO: Nursing Facilities

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This memo updates the information in two Q&As related to paid feeding assistant programs.

Who can teach the feeding assistant curriculum?

A state-approved training course must be taught by a licensed health professional as defined in **40 TAC 19.101(56)**.

What curriculum may be used for training feeding assistants?

Trainers must use the state-approved curriculum. The state-approved curriculum is the Department of Aging and Disability Services curriculum located on the Regulatory Services Credentialing web page at:
<http://www.dads.state.tx.us/providers/NF/credentialing/NATCEP/feedingassistant.pdf>.

For questions concerning this memorandum, please contact a nursing facility program specialist with the Policy, Rules and Curriculum Development unit at (512) 438-3161.