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Section DHS 132.63@ Dietary service

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DIETARY SERVICE. The facility shall provide each resident a nourishing, palatable, well-balanced diet that meets the daily nutritional and special dietary needs of each resident.

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MEAL SERVICE.(c) Table service. The facility shall provide table service in dining rooms for all residents who can and want to eat at a table, including residents in wheelchairs. (g) Drinking water. When a resident is confined to bed, a covered pitcher of drinking water and a glass shall be provided on a bedside stand. The water shall be changed frequently during the day, and pitchers and glasses shall be sanitized daily. Single-service disposable pitchers and glasses may be used. Common drinking utensils shall not be used.

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SANITATION. All readily perishable food and drink, except when being prepared or served, shall be kept in a refrigerator which shall have a temperature maintained at or below 40° F. (4°C.).