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## **89376 Food Service**

### **(a)**

The caregiver shall provide or ensure at least three nutritious meals per day, have between-meal snacks available, provide food as necessary, and meet any special dietary needs documented in the written plan identifying the specific needs and services of the "child," unless the physician of a "child" advises otherwise. (1) The quantity and quality of food available to household members shall be equally available to a "child."

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### **(b)**

A "child" shall be invited to participate in all household meals.

### **(c)**

An infant who is unable to hold a bottle shall be held during bottle-feeding. At no time shall a bottle be propped for an infant. A bottle given to an infant able to hold his or her own bottle shall be unbreakable.

### **(d)**

The caregiver may encourage a "child," as age or developmentally appropriate, to learn meal preparation, but shall not require a "child" to prepare meals. (1) A "child" may use kitchen knives and appliances to learn meal preparation.

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