



Restaurant Meal Program

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has started the Restaurant Meal Program (RMP). Using RMP, approved Food Assistance Program (FAP) recipients can use their benefit dollars to purchase meals from **authorized** restaurants in Michigan.

Requirements to Become an Authorized Restaurant

Restaurants should follow a two-step process to participate in RMP:

- Complete an MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) with MDHHS, **and**
- Be approved as a retailer by the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS).

To receive MDHHS and FNS approval, restaurants must:

- Have sit-down seating available.
- Provide low-cost meals.
- Be fully accessible to persons with disabilities.
- Have a point-of-sale device for use by eligible recipients.
- Maintain compliance with all current federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and orders during of participation in the program.

Apply to Become an Authorized Restaurant

To request approval to become an Authorized Restaurant:

- **Review and complete** the MDHHS [Restaurant Meal Program MOU](#).
- **Complete** the [USDA Application for Meals Services \(FNS-252-2\)](#).
- **Email** the completed MDHHS MOU and FNS-252-2 form to:
MDHHS-RestaurantMealProgram@michigan.gov.

Final Steps

The RMP team will review the documents that the restaurant submits to MDHHS. If approved, MDHHS will return the executed MOU to the restaurant with next steps for submitting the application materials to FNS.

For questions regarding participation in or application for the Restaurant Meal Program, contact MDHHS-RestaurantMealProgram@michigan.gov.

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