

State of South Carolina Department on Aging

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South Carolina Department on Aging Classification Criteria for "Carry-out, Grab & Go, or Drive-Thru" meals Program Instruction PI-2022-001

Effective: June 24, 2022: ACL's Nutrition and Aging Resource Center recently provided further guidance for the classification of "Carry-out, Grab & Go or Drive-thru" meals as either III-C1 or III-C2 based on the location of consumption **and** components of socialization.

III-C1: Congregate Meals

A "Carry-out, Grab & Go or Drive-thru" meal will be classified as a III-C1 if:

- It is consumed on-site with others (indoors) or offsite with others (picnic, park, "trip", festival, event, tailgate)
- *It is consumed at home **while** congregating
 - Congregate interaction can be in-person or virtual and may include one-to-one with a program volunteer, or group interaction arranged by the nutrition provider through a virtual platform (examples: Zoom, FaceTime, GoogleMeet, etc.)
 *The meal could have also been delivered to the clients home by the provider

III-C2: Home-Delivered Meals

A "Carry-out, Grab & Go or Drive-thru" meal will be classified as a III-C2 if:

• It is consumed at home without congregating