

425d Feeding Practices Disregarding Devel. Needs

Kansas Risk Factor Summary

Risk Factor Code	Kansas Risk Factor Title	High Risk	Auto-Assigned	Based on MD Diagnosis	Category and Priority					USDA Revised Date
					PG	BF	PP	I	C	
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Kansas Risk Factor Definition

Routinely using feeding practices that disregard the developmental needs or stages of the child, such as:

- Inability to recognize, insensitivity to, or disregarding the child’s cues for hunger and satiety (e.g., forcing a child to eat a certain type and/or amount of food or beverage or ignoring a hungry child’s requests for appropriate foods);
- Feeding foods of inappropriate consistency, size, or shape that put children at risk of choking;
- Not supporting a child’s need for growing independence with self-feeding (e.g., solely spoon-feeding a child who is able and ready to finger-feed and/or try self-feeding with appropriate utensils); and
- Feeding a child food with an inappropriate texture based on his/her developmental stage (e.g., feeding primarily pureed or liquid food when the child is ready and capable of eating mashed, chopped or appropriate finger foods).

USDA Justification

Note: USDA Justification is provided because it explains nicely why the risk is important. However, you must use the Kansas risk factor names and definitions which may differ slightly from the USDA document.