## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA) NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

## Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and The Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), State or local agencies, and their sub recipients, must post the following Nondiscrimination Statement:

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, religious creed, disability, age, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

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To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the <u>USDA Program Discrimination</u> <u>Complaint Form</u>, (AD-3027) found online at:

<u>http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint\_filing\_cust.html</u>, at any USDA office, in ACA-E of the Governor Wentworth Regional School District Policy Manual, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Both written and verbal complaints will be addressed. Staff is available to assist with completing and submitting the forms, if needed. Additionally, the State Agency , the NH Department of Education Office of Nutrition Programs and Services, will be notified of any discrimination complaints. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Director, Center for Civil Rights Enforcement 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- 2. Fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- 3. Email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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