Move More Food: Converting to Client Choice Pantries

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What is client choice?

Any method of distributing food at a pantry that allows clients to select the food they take away.

Store Model

List Model
• True or False. If a client is hungry, they will eat whatever a pantry puts in their bag.
• True or False. Running a client choice pantry requires more time from workers than a pre-pack pantry.
• True or False. Client Choice requires a pantry with a large space.
Impacts: Food Pantries

- Greater interactions between workers and clients
- Better inventory management and movement
- Positive feedback
Why Client Choice?

• Alternative Method of Distribution: Best Practice of Existing Pantries
• Client Dignity
• Reduction in food waste; ensured nutrition for clients
• Allows agencies to increase their capacity by reducing their prior reliance on purchased product
What Client Choice Does

• Ensures that clients receive food that they will use
• Reduces Food Waste
• Opens up a venue for conversation about building agency capacity
“CLIENT CHOICE IS THE RIGHT CHOICE”