Cross-Contact

Potential Sources
- Unclean hands or gloves
- Cooking oils
- Splashed or spilled food
- Fryers or grills
- Tables/chairs & desks
- Counter surface or food prep areas
- All utensils, dishes, pots/pans and cutting boards
- Meat/cheese slicers
- Soiled linens/cleaning cloths & sponges

Ways to AVOID/PREVENT
- Know what foods the child can or cannot have
- Read ALL food labels, everytime—every line
- Use clean utensils, dishes, pot/pans—must be washed thoroughly in hot soapy water and sanitized
- Practice good hand washing and use clean gloves
- NO food sharing or trading
- Clean tables, counter surfaces and food prep areas
- Have an emergency plan

IT IS IMPORTANT to always read food labels due to hidden food allergens.

Hidden Allergens
- **Eggs:** egg substitutes, mayonnaise, baked goods, noodles
- **Fish/Shellfish:** seafood flavoring, worcestershire sauce
- **Milk:** cheese, bread/buns, soup, hot dogs, canned tuna, deli meat
- **Wheat:** flours, soup/gravy mixes, snacks
- **Soy:** baked goods, breads/buns, candy
- **Peanut/Tree Nuts:** candy, chocolate, ice cream, baked goods, salads, salad dressings, barbecue sauce, cereal/ granola bars
- **Sesame:** hummus, baked goods, protein and energy bars, dressings, bread crumbs

In case of an Allergic Reaction

Give Epinephrine then Call 911

Food Allergy Management & Education

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