Go@d Choice for Food Service Distributors

Now more than ever, customers are looking to purchase healthier food and beverage products from their food service providers. The **Good Choice** program can help!

What is Good Choice?

Good Choice is a program through which food service providers, such as hospitals, campus dining halls and child care providers, can access a list of healthier food and beverage products offered by participating food service distributors.

How does Good Choice work?

- Twice per year, the Health Department reviews participating distributors' active food and beverage inventory, using evidence-based nutrition criteria.
- The criteria are based on the New York City Food Standards, which set sciencebased limits for nutrients like calories, fat, sugar and sodium, as well as requirements for beneficial nutrients like fiber.

Distributors can highlight foods and beverages that meet **Good Choice** criteria in a number of ways. They can:



- Label the products with the Good Choice symbol
- Identify the products on order guides
- Send lists of the products directly to customers
- Create shopping lists that use the products

What is required to participate in Good Choice?

Food service distributors must be able to provide a list of their active food and beverage inventory, with corresponding nutrition information and ingredients, to the Health Department twice per year.

Please contact <u>GoodChoice@health.nyc.gov</u> with any questions.

