The mission of the University of Chicago Celiac Disease Center is to raise diagnosis rates for celiac disease and meet the critical needs of people with the condition, through education, research, and advocacy.

### 504 Plan

If you are the parent of a school-aged child with celiac disease, a 504 Plan will help ensure that your child receives fair treatment, and that his/her needs are met at school and school-related activities.

**What is a 504 Plan?** A legally binding document outlining reasonable accommodations. It is not dependent on academic performance.

**Steps to implementing a 504 Plan:**

1. Receive a diagnosis letter from your child’s doctor.
2. Set up a 504 meeting with the school’s 504 coordinator.
   - Ask the teacher or principal if you don’t know this information.
3. Know what you want in include in your child’s 504 plan beforehand. Work with your team and your child.
4. Meet and develop a plan.
   - Meeting may include parent(s), teacher(s), school nurse, principal, counselor.
   - Make reasonable requests for accommodations
   - Outline recommendations for managing celiac disease in learning environments
5. All parties sign, implement, and check in annually.

Whether you are newly diagnosed or have been living with celiac disease for decades, education is key to staying healthy and enjoying a high quality of life. At The Celiac Disease Center, one of our goals is to provide information that makes following a gluten-free diet as easy as possible.

If you have any questions, please reach out. Your care team is only a phone call away.