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According to the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Division of Food Distribution, Frankfort, the only occasion where someone other than the client may pickup a food box containing USDA TEFAP commodities is in the case where the client is **homebound or bedridden**. *In those situations the client must give written permission to their caregiver or social worker stating that they authorize that person to pickup the food box. The caregiver or social worker must have some form of identification from the client/recipient showing proof of residency in the pantries service area in order to pickup the food box and must fill out all information on the application register and sign the register before they will be allowed to pickup a food box for their client.*

Furthermore, “**My reading on that question (others picking up food) is that it does not mean the same thing. If the proxy is going to pick up the food and take it to an able bodied person I think it is reasonable that the proxy could pick up the person and take them to pick up the food and return them to their home.**

I understand that someone is likely to come up with a “what if” situation and I think that individual cases can be evaluated should there be special circumstances but I expect to operate generally under the above interpretation.”

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