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Dear Providers,

August is here and that means we need to wrap up the Annual Training for the fiscal year so if you haven't completed it yet <u>Click Here</u> to do it Online. August also means that the Child Re-Enrollment process is right around the corner. Please withdraw any kids in your roster that are no longer coming to clean it up so they don't appear on your Re-Enrollment packet. Here are your notes for August:

1) New Reimbursement Rates have been released!

Here are the updated rates: July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

Breakfast - Tier 1 - 1.66 | Tier 2 - 0.60 Lunch and Supper - Tier 1 - 3.15 | Tier 2 - 1.90 Supplement - Tier 1 - 0.93 | Tier 2 - 0.26

2) What is Block Claiming?

A block claim is a claim with no variation in meal counts, for any single meal type or combination of meal types, for any continuous 15 day

period within the claim month. That essentially means claiming the same amount of kids everyday continuously with no absences. While block claiming can be considered normal in a lot of circumstances if your monitor never sees the same amount of kids at a visit that you claim it could initiate the parent audit process and a serious deficiency.

3) From fema.gov - FEMA Assistance Available for Texans Affected by Hurricane Beryl

WASHINGTON -- Texans who have disaster related needs due to Hurricane Beryl may be eligible for disaster assistance under FEMA's Individuals and Households Program. Currently, residents living in Brazoria, Chambers, Galveston, Harris, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Orange, Polk, San Jacinto, Walker and Wharton counties may be eligible for disaster assistance. Additional counties may be added in the future if requested by the state and warranted by further damage assessments. Click Here for more information.

Food Program Resources:

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Online Annual Training Module
Annual Training Packet (Español)
Direct Deposit Form

CACFP Crediting Handbook

CACFP Reimbursement Rates

Income Standards For Determining Program Eligibility

WIC Eligibility Information

<u>Infant Feeding Guide Order Form</u> or <u>Click Here</u> to view PDF.

Ounce Equivalents for Grains

Ounce Equivalents for Grains (Infants)

Provider Handbook (Español)

Getting Started with KidKare

Click here for Upcoming Workshops

No Upcoming Workshops

Latest From Cacfp.org:

Dedication to child nutrition CACFP Child Nutrition Professional (CCNP) Certification. We want to help you recognize the hard work and time you put into serving nutritious meals and snacks. Apply today for your #CACFPProfessional designation - you may already qualify! Learn more at cacfp.org/certification

We're continuing our celebration of the upcoming <u>#nationalavocadoday</u> with this <u>week's featured recipe</u> - Avocado Rice Cakes! Who's tried this yummy recipe?

When should you request a CN Label or PFS? Is the crediting documentation for your product acceptable? Get clarity on common issues related to inaccurate or misleading product documentation at this on-demand session during the CACFP Virtual Summit! The <u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u> will provide guidance on accepting documentation for meal pattern requirements and share sample Product Formulation Statements and CN Labels. Learn how to assess crediting documentation using sample CN Labels and Product Formulation Statements. Registration link in comments. <u>Register Here</u>

#TakeActionTuesday - The need for support in child care is critical and widespread across the U.S. In fact, almost 90 percent of voters agree that affordable, high-quality child care is essential. It's time for elected officials to prioritize policies that support working parents and child care providers alike. Together, let's ensure every child has access to nurturing care and nutritious meals through the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). Take action at the link!

Even if the CACFP is not totally foreign, there's always more to learn! Let's dive into meal patterns, program admin, and reimbursement together. Join us for a refresher on how reimbursement works in the CACFP at this year's CACFP Virtual Summit! Registration link.

Last Five Posts from the Tom Copeland Blog:

Starting Your Family Child Care Business: A Guide for New Providers, Part I 5 Ways to Rescue a Faded Receipt for Child Care Providers

Don't Panic! How to Get More Time to File Your U.S. Individual Income Tax

Return

<u>5 Creative Ways Family Child Care Providers Can Boost Their Income</u> <u>Roth IRA: The Versatile Financial Tool for Tax Savings and More</u>

Squaremeals.org:

CACFP News

<u>Click Here</u> for the latest CACFP Insight Newsletter from Squaremeals.org. (Published Periodically)

Team Nutrition:

Family Style Meal Service with Children in the CACFP
Growing a Healthier Future with the CACFP Infographic
Mealtimes With Toddlers in the CACFP

Team Nutrition Resources for Child Care

Team Nutrition is an initiative of the USDA Food and Nutrition Service to support the child nutrition programs through training and technical assistance for food service, nutrition education for children and their caregivers, and school and community support for healthy eating and physical activity.

Institute of Child Nutrition:

Virtual Training:

The Institute of Child Nutrition (ICN) offers free virtual group training on a broad range of topics for child nutrition professionals working in school nutrition and child care settings. In addition to training sessions at the Institute's headquarters at The University of Mississippi, Virtual training may be requested free-of-charge.

Virtual Training Sessions Currently Offered

Child Nutrition Recipe Box:

Your resource for USDA Standardized Recipes for Child Nutrition Programs.

Child Nutrition Recipe Box

Mealtime Memo:

Mealtime Memo for Child Care offers information for child care providers participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program, focused on good nutrition for young children. <u>Click here for the latest issue</u>

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