



BULLETIN:

Child and Adult Care Food Program

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Program changes as a result of USDA Policy Memos and Technical Assistance Memos are to be implemented immediately. Please file this bulletin for reference, guidance and compliance with the Child and Adult Care Food Program. Feel free to call the Child Nutrition Programs office if you need further clarification.

USDA Policy Memos

1. CACFP 08-2015 Assessing Costs in the Child and Adult Care Food Program and Tip Sheet
2. CACFP 09-2015 Administrative Review Process Regarding the Child Nutrition (CN) Label, Watermarked CN Label and Manufacturer’s Product Formulation Statement
3. CACFP 10-2015 CN Labels Copied with a Watermark - Acceptable Documentation
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1. CACFP-08 Assessing Costs in the Child and Adult Care Food Program

This memorandum provides guidance on the process State agencies and sponsors should use when considering proposed uses of the nonprofit food service account funds for CACFP-related costs.

2. CACFP 09-2015 Administrative Review Process Regarding the Child Nutrition (CN) Label, Watermarked CN Label and Manufacturer's Product Formulation Statement

This memorandum provides State agencies and program operators with additional clarification on the review process in regards to Child Nutrition (CN) Label, Watermarked CN Label, and Manufacturer's Product Formulation Statement (PFS) – or what we've previously called the Manufacturer's Analysis.

Program operators must have on hand the CN Label for processed products they are serving and listed on the menus. If they do not have the original they may have a photocopy that displays the product name and the CN Label (don't just cut out the CN Label without the other information). All the information must be visible and legible.

If you don't have this then the memorandum provides the other ways you might document the credibility of your processed products that are served. Read it carefully and if you have questions on particular products you wish to serve contact CACFP at the state office.

3. CACFP 10-2015 CN Labels Copied with a Watermark - Acceptable Documentation

This memorandum clarifies that a CN Label copies with a marking referred to as a "watermark" is acceptable documentation for an administrative review. Manufacturers may provide this documentation to schools during the bidding process and schools should verify this information.

4. CACFP 11-2015 Local Foods in the Child and Adult Care Food Program with Q & A

This memorandum provides guidance on the incorporation of local foods and agriculture-based curriculum in early childhood education and care settings, along with questions and answers. Due to the changes made in the FNS Instruction 796-2, Rev. 4 Financial Management of the CACFP, costs associated with growing food that will be used in the CACFP, either as part of the meal service or for activities related to nutrition education to food service staff, are now allowable.

5. USDA Policy Memo CACFP 12-2015 Guidance on Prohibition of Separation by Gender during child Nutrition Program meal Service

This memorandum explains the prohibition on separation by gender during Child Nutrition Program meal service and outlines select circumstances under which gender-based separation may be permissible. This memorandum supersedes previously rescinded guidance SP 32-2012, CACFP 16-2012, as well as SFSP 12-2012, "*Prohibition of Separation by Gender during Child Nutrition Program Meal Service*," originally issued May 9, 2012.

6. Tip Sheet for Accepting Processed Product Documentation

This tip sheet included with this bulletin outlines what acceptable as documentation when using CN Labels and Product Formulation Statements (sometimes called Manufacturer's Analysis). If using processed products you must have documentation on file to show the items are creditable and the portion sizes. Please make sure administrators read this and share with your kitchen staff. Please check with your kitchen staff to ensure you are in compliance as this is a finding on many administrative reviews.

7. Team Nutrition E-Newsletter – March 2015 Highlights

The Team Nutrition (TN) E-Newsletter included with this bulletin is published periodically to share the TN resources developed by USDA and/or by State agencies to share ideas for promoting healthy eating and physical activity. You can find these resources on the TN website:

<http://healthymeals.nal.usda.gov/cacfp-wellness-resources-child-care-providers>

8. NFSMI's Executive Director, Dr. Katie Wilson, SNS Accepts Presidential Appointment

Some of you may know Dr. Katie Wilson from her visit to Alaska to train on NFSMI's Happy Meals for Healthy Kids and More than Mud Pies in Fairbanks. She is a wonderful advocate for all of the child nutrition programs (& adult care) and we are very happy to have her in a leadership position in Washington, D.C.



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We are pleased to advise that Dr. Katie Wilson will be joining us as Deputy Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services starting on May 1. Katie is currently the Executive Director of the National Food Service Management Institute, a strong partner in our efforts to improve school nutrition. She has had a wealth of experience in school nutrition serving in a variety of positions in schools in Wisconsin. She has testified before Congress and has served in leadership roles in the School Nutrition Association. Her clear and lifelong passion for improving the health of school children and her vast experience in this field make her a perfect choice to hit the ground running when she joins us later this Spring.



Dr. Wilson's professional leadership and ongoing engagement with nutrition and health leaders across the country are welcome assets to the FNCS team.

Please join me in welcoming Dr. Katie Wilson.



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9. Child Obesity, New Balance Foundation and 100 Mile Club Collaborate on Initiative to Increase Quality Physical Activity for Children

Childobesity 180 at Tufts University in Boston, The New Balance Foundation, and the 100 Mile Club are collaborating to increase quality physical activity for children. They have a nationwide campaign called the New Balance Foundation Billion Mile Race, which will boost physical activity in elementary schools and help lay the foundation for a lifetime of active movement. They invite America's students to collectively reach 1 billion miles through participation in school-based walking, jogging and running clubs.

Please encourage your local schools to join the Billion Mile Race by sharing this article and get more information at: <http://www.childobesity180.org/childobesity180-new-balance-100-mile-club-physical-activity-collaboration#sthash.0JdW4Fbw.dpuf>.

10. Parents Report that Afterschool Programs Promote Healthy Eating, Physical Activity (Afterschool Alliance news release)

Low-income parents especially value health benefits afterschool programs provide. Read the report attached to this bulletin that reveals parents' views about the role afterschool programs play in improving kids' health and physical fitness. This report may help you encourage afterschool programming in your area.

11. NFSMI Free Online Training for Child Care

The National Food Service Management Institute that is funded by USDA, has many on-line trainings related to child nutrition. Please go to their online training page on the NFSMI website at:

<http://www.nfsmi.org/Templates/TemplateDefault.aspx?qs=cEIEPTM=>

They offer the following courses specifically for child care:

CARE Connection options: Planning Cycle Menus in Child Care, Planning Snacks as an Educational Activity, Serving Adequate Foods in Child Care, Serving Safe Food in Child Care, and Step-by-Step Menu Planning for Child Care

Webinar – Creating an Active, Healthy Environment

Webinar – Incorporating MyPlate in the Child Care Classroom

Webinar – Introducing MyPlate to Parents of Young Children

Webinar – Playing, Learning, and Growing an Overview of Early Childhood Education

Webinar – Using Children’s Storybooks as a Basis for Nutrition Education

Webinar – Serving Safe Food in Child Care Lesson 1: Clean, Lesson 2: Separate, Lesson 3: Cook, and Lesson 4: Chill

Webinar – What are the Nutritional Benefits of MyPlate?

Dietary Guidelines for Americans 2010

Other areas of training include: Child Nutrition, Food Safety, Special Needs and Wellness plus a host of other webinars.

12. Mealtime Memo – Snack Times are the Best Times: Planning Nutritious and Appealing Snacks for Young Children

Menu planning is the foundation for healthy eating in child care settings. This month’s Mealtime Memo focuses on the planning healthy snack menus as well as a nutrition tip, a nutrition fact, and information about the fruit of the month – Spinach. You can find the memo in English and Spanish at the following website: <http://www.nfsmi.org/ResourceOverview.aspx?ID=488> and also on the CACFP Bulletins webpage: <http://education.alaska.gov/tls/cnp/CACFP4.html>.

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CACFP – Child and Adult Care Food Program
CNP – Child Nutrition Programs
FNS – Food & Nutrition Services
FNSRO-Food & Nut Services Reg. Office
USDA – U.S. Department of Agriculture
LEA – Local Education Authority
DEC – Department of Conservation

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