



## BULLETIN:

### Child and Adult Care Food Program

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and Program Reviewers

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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 Services office if you need further clarification.

#### USDA Policy, Information and Implementation Memos

1. USDA Policy Memo CACFP 03-2010 Exclusion of Military Combat Pay(revised)

#### Bulletin Topics

2. Infant Training Conference Call
3. New Program Training Conference Call - Required for potential new agencies and current CACFP agencies with new program administrators
4. The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010
5. USDA MyPyramid.gov Updates
6. Mealtime Memos: No. 1, 2010 Nutrition and Cognitive Development and No 2, 2010 Feeding Young Children in Group Settings

The following USDA Policy Memos may or may not apply to your program. If you would like to view a complete list of policy memos on the USDA website please go to:

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/Care/Regs-Policy/PolicyMemoranda.htm>

#### 1. USDA Policy Memo CACFP 03-2010 Exclusion of Military Combat Pay(revised)

This memo supersedes the November 6, 2009 version. This memo addresses other income for deployed service member(s).

#### 2. Infant Training Conference Call

Child Nutrition Services will be offering an Infant Training for those programs that would like a refresher or are newly starting an infant program within their agency on Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Submit the attached registration form by April 23<sup>rd</sup> to:

Lisa Shrestha, Education Program Assistant  
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You will receive a confirmation e-mail and training documents will be mailed.

#### 3. New Program CACFP Training

Child Nutrition Services will be offering a two-part training for new programs interested in CACFP. This training is also required for new program administrators in agencies currently operating the CACFP. The two-part training will be held on Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-5:00 p.m. and Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-12:00 noon. Both days are required training.

Submit the attached registration form before 5:00 p.m. April 29<sup>th</sup> to:

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#### **4. The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 Update**

The Food Research and Action Center (FRAC) is a national nonprofit organization working to improve public policies and public-private partnerships to eradicate hunger and under nutrition in the United States. Their website provides up-to-date information relevant to child nutrition programs. Please go to their website for updates on the very important bill that was passed by the Senate Agriculture Committee. [http://www.frac.org/Legislative/action\\_center/index.html](http://www.frac.org/Legislative/action_center/index.html)

The Healthy, Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010, the Senate Agriculture Committee-passed bill, identifies the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) as a nutrition program that contributes to the healthy growth and development of young children. The CACFP provisions in this bill are focused on improving the nutritional value of the foods served through CACFP and better promote the health and wellness of young children, reducing paperwork and streamlining some program requirements, and providing increasing access to afterschool meals.

Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Blanche Lincoln (D-Ark.) released her “mark” for Child Nutrition Reauthorization on March 17, 2010, and the Senate Agriculture Committee passed the bill on March 24, 2010. As the bill heads to the Senate floor, advocacy efforts in the Senate now turn to the Finance Committee to identify additional resources to fund anti-hunger priorities in the bill.

Another good resource for information is: <https://sites.google.com/a/foodsecurity.org/child-nutrition-legislation/>

#### **5. USDA MyPyramid.gov Updates**

USDA has launched three new online tools, which will provide information to improve consumer nutrition and, according to USDA Secretary Tom Vilsack. The tools are:

Growing a Healthier You: Nutrition From the Farm to the Table - part of the USDA MyPyramid food guidance system, this Web page promotes national initiatives (like National Nutrition Month) and offers fruit, vegetable and other food facts. <http://www.cnpp.usda.gov/KnowYourFarmer.htm>

MyFood-a-pedia - provides nutrition information for more than 1,000 foods, including calorie counts for the five "healthy eating" food groups, as well as counts for extra calories from solid fats, added sugars, and alcohol. <http://www.myFoodapedia.gov>

10 Tips Series - Offers tips on cutting salt intake, advice for more environmental food choices, and other topics as part of a nutrition education series. <http://www.MyPyramid.gov>.

**6. Mealtime Memos: No. 1, 2010 *Nutrition and Cognitive Development* and No 2, 2010 *Feeding Young Children in Group Settings***

Mealtime Memo for Child Care is issued by the National Food Service Management Institute (NFSI). These issues give helpful information, along with recipes and menus. You can access all the Mealtime Memos at the NFSMI website: <http://www.nfsmi.org>.

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**Commonly Used Acronyms**

CACFP – Child and Adult Care Food Program  
CNS – Child Nutrition Services  
FNS – Food & Nutrition Services  
USDA – U.S. Department of Agriculture  
CNP – Child Nutrition Program  
DEC – Department of Conservation  
LEA – Local Education Authority

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