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Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) Transition (ALL)

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service released SP 07-2023, CACFP 06-2023, SFSP 04-2023, regarding the Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) Transition. This memorandum addresses questions raised by Program operators regarding the transition to UEI. Obtaining the UEI is necessary as Federal award recipients (e.g., State agencies) may not make a subaward to subrecipients (e.g., Child Nutrition Program institutions, facilities, sponsoring organizations, sponsors, and schools) without the entity

obtaining the UEI. Refer to our website for <u>instructions for obtaining</u> a UEI and how to <u>report it to DPI</u>.

If you have already provided the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction with your UEI, no further action is required. If you have any questions, please email cnt@dpi.wi.gov.

USDA Policy Memorandum CACFP 07-2023: Oversight and Monitoring of the Child and Adult Care Food Program – Guidance on On-site and Off-site Strategies and Options (SO)

The Department of Health and Human Services has announced that the planned end date for the COVID-19 public health emergency is May 11, 2023. To prepare for the expiration of nationwide onsite monitoring waivers impacted by this date as well as offsite monitoring waivers issued to individual States, FNS issued memorandum CACFP 07-2023 Oversight and Monitoring of the Child and Adult Care Food Program - Guidance on On-site and Off-site Strategies and Options. This memorandum provides guidance on oversight and monitoring of programs once the public health emergency ends. Please see the appendix attached to the memorandum which outlines review requirements and the on-site and off-site strategies and options applicable to the CACFP.

Year-Round Food Program: Transitioning from CACFP At-Risk Afterschool Programs to Summer Food Service Programs (AR)

All children deserve the opportunity to reach their potential, and nothing is more fundamental to their development than having consistent access to healthy meals. Summer can be a difficult time for families with children, and that can impact the whole community. Summer can be the hungriest time of the year for many kids from low income families. In Wisconsin, 1 in 5 kids struggle with hunger. Only 16% of kids who qualify for free/reduced price school lunch are also getting summer meals. The good news: There are programs in place that can feed hungry children when school is not in session.

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) provides funding to serve free nutritious meals and snacks to children at sites in low-income areas (where half of the children are eligible for free or reduced-price school meals) or that serve primarily low-income children. Sites can be summer programs, parks, swimming pools, schools, low-income housing complexes, churches, and other places where children gather during the summer. Most sites can provide up to two meals a day to children aged 18 and younger.

CACFP at-risk sites are in a good position to transition to the SFSP at the end of the school year. Participation in both the SFSP and the At-Risk Afterschool component of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

are encouraged to benefit both the organization and communities by providing year-round services to children. Check out this program comparison chart developed by the Food Research & Action Center.

Visit the DPI Summer Food Service Program - <u>Join the SFSP</u> webpage for more information and if interested in transitioning your At-risk site to SFSP, contact Amy Kolano, Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Coordinator at (608) 266-7124 or <u>Amy.Kolano@dpi.wi.gov</u>.

Help spread the word about Summer meals. To find a <u>summer meal site</u> <u>location</u> near the children you serve.

Now Available! New Food Yields Added to the Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs Interactive Web-based Tool and FBG Mobile App! (ALL)

New yields are now available in the Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs Interactive Web-based (FBG) Tool and FBG Mobile App! New yield data is available for these highly requested foods: apple bananas, chokecherries, taro, and fresh apples. Stay tuned for additional yield data releases coming soon. Explore the <u>Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs</u> today!

Go NAPSACC (ALL)

Go NAPSACC works with child care providers to improve the health of young children through practices, policies, and environments that instill habits supporting lifelong health and well-being. Early education programs can learn more about how to improve their nutrition and physical activity practices by using a self-assessment tool and developing a quality improvement plan specific to nutrition and physical activity. Programs interested in using the GO NAPSACC tools can enroll to receive help from a Go NAPSACC Consultant.

REMINDER: Claim Submission Deadlines: Federal regulations impose a claim submission deadline of 60 calendar days after the last day of the month for which the claim applies. For DPI's CACFP Claim Submission Deadlines visit Claim Submission Deadlines.

Contact your <u>assigned CACFP consultant</u> with questions about the items in the bulletin, or other CACFP questions.

Do you have new staff working with the CACFP? Check out this resource New Staff Responsibilities for CACFP.

For DPI's CACFP COVID-19 Information visit <u>CACFP Resources for Transitioning Back to Normal Operations</u>.

Program Abbreviation Key

CC=Child Care
AR=At Risk

FDCH: Family Day Care Home

HS: Head Start

ES: Emergency Shelters

SO: Sponsoring Organizations **OS:** Outside of School Hours Care

ADC: Adult Day Care **ALL:** Applies to all types

The abbreviation key identifies each type of program in the CACFP. Each section above identifies who the information applies to when implementing the CACFP. If your type of program is not listed in a section, it does not apply.

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