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### **CACFP Federal Rates of Reimbursement (ALL)**

The USDA has adjusted the national payment rates for meals and snacks served in the CACFP to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index.

The DPI has revised Guidance Memorandum 2 and C (FDCH): CACFP Reimbursement Rates to reflect these adjustments. The new reimbursement rates are effective July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

Child and Adult Care: GM 2: CACFP Reimbursement Rates - Effective July 1, 2023

Family Day Care: <u>GM C: CACFP Reimbursement Rates – Effective – July 1,</u> 2023

Important Note: The Keep Kids Fed Act (KKFA) expired on June 30, 2023. Therefore, the temporary funding of an additional 10 cents per meal and snack is no longer available. In addition, Tier II family or group day care homes will return to Tier II reimbursement rates, rather than receive the Tier I rates they received while the KKFA was in effect.

If you have any questions, please contact your assigned consultant.

## Adding New Meal Services and/or New Sites, Becoming a Sponsor (ALL but FDCH)

If your agency plans to make any of the changes below to be effective for September 2023, update and submit your CACFP Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2023 contract and email your assigned consultant by August 25, 2023:

- Adding new meal service(s)
- Adding new site(s) as a current Sponsor (more than one site on the CACFP)
- Adding site(s) to become a Sponsor (Independent center becoming a Sponsor with more than one site on the CACFP)

After the contract is updated, email your DPI consultant so they can review and approve the information entered in your FFY 2023 contract prior to the FFY 2024 contract rollover. The FFY 2024 contract will be available late September 2023.

#### Mealtime Memo from Institute of Child Nutrition (ALL)

Focused on nutrition and wellness in child care settings, *Mealtime Memo* is a monthly electronic newsletter specifically intended for use by child care professionals who participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). It provides research-based best practices for planning, preparing, and/or serving nutritious, safe, and child-friendly meals in child care settings operating the CACFP. Visit <a href="https://doi.org/MEMO">TheICN.org/MEMO</a> for all current and past issues.

### National CACFP Sponsors Association: CACFP Training Available (ALL)

The National CACFP Sponsors Association is leading national organization for sponsors who administer the USDA Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) since 1986, providing education, information on legislation, regulation and advocacy issues, and resources to support the essential work

of the CACFP community who ensure that every child has access to nutritious food year-round. Below are upcoming training opportunities.

#### CACFP Virtual Summit - August 15-17 \$149 by Aug 3

- Explore New Foods with a Taste Testing Adventure
- USDA Policy Updates & Town Hall
- Promoting Responsive Feeding Practices in Early Childhood Settings
- Quizapalooza: Are You a Meal Pattern Super Star?
- Ask Us Anything About CACFP Head Start
- Book & Bake to Build Math, Science and Literacy Foundations
- Program Accountability: Internal Controls
- Plant-Powered Palates: Showcasing Plant-Forward CACFP Recipes & Menus
- Creditable or Not?
- Ask Us Anything About CACFP Meal Patterns
- Building Healthy Bodies with the Food We Serve
- Culinary Knife Skills for Child Nutrition Programs
- Resilience is Everything
- Ask Us Anything: No CACFP Questions Unanswered

#### **Learn More About CACFP Virtual Summit**

#### CACFP Head Start Bootcamp - September 26-28 \$149 by Sept 14

- CACFP Regulations for Head Start
- Fueling Minds and Bodies in Head Start with Family-Style Dining
- Meal Patterns 101
- Mastering Head Start Menus in the CACFP
- Civil Rights Complaint Procedures
- Fueling Healthy Growth in Early Head Start
- Understanding Meal Modifications in the CACFP (2 hours)
- A Change of Taste: Reducing Sodium in the CACFP
- Emergency Preparedness for Head Start
- Ask Us Anything: CACFP Head Start

#### **Learn More About CACFP Head Start Bootcamp**

Want to use your funds to enroll a group?

Email us at <a href="mailto:nca@cacfp.org">nca@cacfp.org</a> and we'll help you register a group of state agency staff or CACFP operators.

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.

**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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