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Please forward this email to the appropriate staff responsible for content area covered in this notice.

Please review the information listed below and the attached documents and take the necessary action. This information is emailed to the Authorized Representative and the Food Service Director in each School Food Authority (SFA).

NEW- REVISED: Adult Meal Price for FY14 must be at least \$3.16

The expressed purpose of the USDA Child Nutrition Programs is to safeguard the health and well-being of the Nation's children, meals served to adults are neither eligible under legislation and regulations for Federal cash reimbursement, nor do they earn donated food assistance for the School Food Authority(SFA). For program year 2013-2014, the adult charge should be at least the amount of reimbursement received for a "free" lunch and the per-meal rate of USDA Foods. Since FY14 free meal reimbursement rate and USDA Food per-meal rate are not released until July, SFAs will base FY14 adult meal price on FY13 rates. **For FY14, the adult meal price must be at least \$3.16 (\$2.86 free reimbursement rate plus .24 USDA Food per-meal rate plus the .06 for the Performance Based Menu Incentive).** **FY14 SFA applications will not be approved until the adult meal price is at least \$3.16. Please take the necessary action now to ensure compliance.**

Do you Want to Become a HealthierUS School Challenge School?

Once your school is certified for the 6 cents reimbursement for school meals you are on the right track to become a HealthierUS School Challenge school! The HUSSC award brings national recognition for your school's wellness efforts and showcases the great work your district is doing. Team Nutrition is partnering with ISU Extension and Outreach to provide four regional half-day computer lab trainings (Ottumwa, Pocahontas, Cedar Rapids, and Atlantic) being held in April, May, and June for schools ready to submit a HUSSC application. Participants will bring their school menus and other documentation to the workshop and begin completing the online HUSSC application. Technical assistance will be provided. Mileage reimbursement will be available. Space is limited – register today! **Flyer is attached.** For more information, contact Patti Delger, patti.delger@iowa.gov.

Regional Training from The National Food Service Management Institute (NFSMI)

NFSMI is planning two training opportunities with workshops in neighboring states. See attached document for additional information. There is no charge for registration or materials. The only cost is travel, lodging and food. Even if you are not able to attend, check out the NFSMI information on the second page and visit their website.