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Bureau of Nutrition and Health Services
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• **What?**
  CACFP Annual Update

• **When?**
  Starting Summer 2015

• **Who?**
  People responsible for CACFP

• **Where?**
  Webinar (recorded)

• **Why?**
  To keep you current on CACFP requirements.
Steps to Success Updates

- Steps to Success
  - All online
  - No ICNs
  - New flyer
  - Specific requirements for new staff
- Short Course
- Application Renewal
- More Webinars?
Crediting Handbook

• Commercial Combination Foods
  ✓ Require CN label
  ✓ Product Formulation Statement
• Center-Made Dishes
  ✓ Standardized Recipes
Enforcement

• **Corrective Action**
  ✓ Current Review Cycle
  ✓ FY 2015 through FY 2018

• **Fiscal Action**
  ✓ After FY 2018
Recent 2015 Memos

- New CACFP Meal Pattern
- Medical Meal Substitutions
- Written Codes of Conduct
- Smoothies Served in the CACFP
- CACFP Administrative Manual For Centers
New CACFP Meal Pattern

Comments Period Extended to May 26
http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=FNS-2011-0029-0001

Comment Guidelines

• Be specific and pertinent to the proposed rule

• Explain reasons

• Provide supporting information
Medical Meal Substitutions

Documentation

• Allergy/exception statement
• Foods to omit and foods to substitute
• Record substitutes served

Disabilities

• Must be certified by a physician
• Center must offer to provide substitute
• Family may provide substitute
• Must follow Physician’s orders on allergy/exception statement
Medical Meal Substitutions

Non-disabilities

• May be signed by a physician, ARNP, or PA
• Center is encouraged to provide substitute
• Family may provide substitute
• Meal must meet meal pattern requirements to claim

Milk substitutes

• Families may request in writing
• Must be nutritionally equivalent to cow’s milk (soy milk)
• If not, meal is not reimbursable
• Meals with almond milk, rice milk, coconut milk are not reimbursable unless participant has a documented disability
Milk substitutes

List in CACFP Administrative Manual

- 8th Continent Soy Milk (regular and vanilla)
- Silk Original Soymilk
- Pacific Natural Ultra Soymilk (plain and vanilla)
- Great Value Original Soymilk
- Westsoy (organic, plain and vanilla)
- Kikkoman shelf-stable product in individual containers (vanilla and chocolate).

Kansas List – current
Kansas Milk Substitution List

Written Codes of Conduct and Performance of Employees Engaged in Award and Administration of Contracts

Needed to employees who purchase CACFP food, equipment and services

The code of conduct must:

- Prohibit employees from requesting gifts & incentives
- Prohibit financial conflicts of interest
- Define if/when gifts are acceptable (nominal value/unsolicited)
- Identify disciplinary actions

Include with date adopted in employee handbook or job description

Will be evaluated on reviews
Smoothies Served in CACFP

Homemade only (use skim or 1% milk over age 2)

May credit at any meal

Milk, fruit/veg, and yogurt are creditable components

Yogurt counts as a meat alternate at lunch, supper and snack
Smoothies Served in CACFP

- Fruit & vegetables count as juice (measure after pureeing)
- Grains and peanut butter may be added but don’t credit
- No herbal or dietary supplements
Crediting Smoothies

Juice can count for up to 50% of the fruit/veg component at lunch

At snack, credit or juice or milk but not both. Serve another component

At snack, yogurt and juice or milk credit

To credit a food, the minimum amount must be served

If the full required serving of a component isn’t provided, additional amounts of that component must be served
Updated late due to IowaCNP

Mailed to all centers in March

Major changes
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- Updated physical activity recommendations (60-90 Toddlers & 90-120 min PS)
- Chart for mixing bleach
- Effective date for income applications
Major Changes

- Updated to match IowaCNP
- Added training topics for different staff
- Removed option to check out media
Major Changes

- Updated Civil Rights Statements
- Added a form to collect racial/ethnic information
- Added requirement to obtain CN labels & Product Formulation Statements
- Updated infant chapter (no longer current with today’s memo)
- Updated special diet information (mostly current-memo coming)
New 2015 Memos

- Local Foods in CACFP
- Prohibition of Separation by Gender
- Infant Feeding in the CACFP
Local Foods and CACFP

Farm to Preschool

- Bring local foods into the center
- Hands-on learning activities
- Food-related curriculum

Ideas

- Local menu items
- Ag education (Grow It, Try It, Like It)
- Taste testing local foods
- Harvest of the month
- Preschool Gardens
- Field trips to farmers markets & farms
- Farmer visits
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Local Foods in the CACFP

How and where to purchase?
- Farmer/producer
- Distributor
- Farmer’s market
- Local school or clubs

Donated foods
- Allowable to serve in CACFP meal
- Keep records of donations

Gardens
- Purchase of seeds, fertilizer and equipment allowed
- Selling and donating excess produce is allowed
- Keep records
- Income must go back into CACFP account
Prohibition of Separation by Gender During Meal Service

Exceptions:

- Request from State agency
- Religious organizations
- Facilities that fully separate by gender as part of normal operations
- Unclear circumstances

Other separation is prohibited
Infant Feeding in the CACFP

CACFP must be offered to infants

Breastmilk storage is extended to 72 hr

List of creditable formulas no longer maintained
Infant Feeding in the CACFP

- DHA enriched foods allowed
- Meal can be reimbursed if parents provide food/formula if center provides at least one component
- Foods with one or more of the eight major food allergens are allowed for infants (milk, egg, fish, shellfish, tree nuts, peanuts, wheat and soybeans)
Allowable Costs Related to Physical Activity & Limiting the use of Electronic Media in the CACFP

- Use free Team Nutrition resources and other funding first
- Costs must be necessary, reasonable and allowable
- Costs must first be approved by the State agency
- Physical activity equipment is not allowable
Future Memos

Statements Supporting Accommodations for Children with Disabilities in Child Nutrition Programs

• Remove Chiropractors as medical professionals (not authorized to prescribe medical prescriptions)
• May add professionals who can determine disabilities (PA & ARNP)
QUESTIONS