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It will be a learning opportunity for all of us as we begin using the new meal patterns and guidelines. You may have discovered that some of the cereals on the approved cereal list are labeled with more than 6 grams of sugar. HOWEVER, they are currently approved-if on the list. The sugar amount is calculated per dry ounce. Make sure you are serving the appropriate amounts per age group to meet this requirement. 1-2 year olds=1/4 cup; 3-5 year olds=1/3 cup; and 6-12 year olds=3/4 cup.

Children ages 12 months through 23 months **must** be served whole milk.

Children ages 2 years and older **must** be served 1%, skim or fat free milk.

If you have children enrolled ages 12 months through 23 months, the whole milk should be indicated in a menu comment on the first day of the month. Also, if you have any children on an alternate milk, please document this. For example, "Whole milk served to 1 year olds, 3 children on Soy milk"

If the required milk is not purchased and served, meals will be disallowed.

(For individual cases requiring an alternate milk, contact Brianne or Nancy for the necessary forms)

## General Information:

- ◆ Make sure enrollments have all the information filled in before sending them to us. Incomplete enrollments will not be verified until they are correct and this may affect your reimbursement.
- ◆ Attendance and sign-in/out forms must be completed daily. Point of Service is to be printed ahead of time and completed **during each meal service**.
- ◆ To stay in compliance, meals **must** be served within your approved meal times. If you are not sure what those times are, contact Brianne or Nancy.
- ◆ Newsletters can be viewed on our website. [www.guilfordchilddev.org](http://www.guilfordchilddev.org) Click on "For Providers" then "Child and Adult Care Food Program", then scroll down to "CACFP Center Newsletters".
- ◆ If you store food items in something other than the original package (cereals, crackers, etc...), you will need to save the nutrition/ingredient labels for those items.



Menus **must** be accurate and reflect purchases. When you make changes to a pre-printed menu, make those changes in the computer. For example, your menu says 'chicken breasts', but they were not available and you served corn dogs, this change needs to be made to reflect what was really served.

Receipts should show that payments were made with Cash, Debit Card, Credit Card, or Check. No gift cards, rebate cards, reward points, etc...can be used for CACFP purchases.

Baby food, infant cereal and formula must be present on receipts in order to be reimbursed for infant meals.



Visit the following link for lots of good ideas, information, resources, menus and more regarding the updated meal pattern!

<http://ccfprtconference.weebly.com/cacfp-meal-pattern-implementation-library.html>

## Things to keep in mind for a successful year.

### Non-Infants:

- ◆ When cereal is served, make a menu comment with the **name** of the cereal. When serving cereal from the list of approved cereals, remember to use the correct serving sizes per age group. (see front page)
- ◆ Meat/meat alt can be served up to 3x a week **instead** of a bread or grain at breakfast only.
- ◆ A fruit and vegetable or vegetable and vegetable will now count as two separate components for snack.
- ◆ Lunch and dinner must include at least one vegetable, the second choice is still a vegetable or fruit.
- ◆ At least once a day, you must serve a bread/grain that is **whole grain rich** (first ingredient is the word 'whole'). Also included as whole grain rich will be brown rice, wild rice, oatmeal, quinoa and similar whole grains. Indicate by putting "**WGR**" in a menu comment for that meal.
- ◆ Any muffins served must be homemade, from scratch (no pre-baked, store bought, or box mixes, this includes 'quick-breads') and must have a standard recipe on file.
- ◆ Combination foods such as meatloaf, mac & cheese, ravioli, pizza, casseroles, etc...must have indication that it is HM (with a standard recipe on file), have an extra meat/meat alt added (example: X-cheese, X-ground beef, etc...), or have a CN Label or Product Verification sheet. Let us know when you have any questions about these types of foods.

### Infants:

- ◆ The new infant formula provision form has been sent to you as an attachment through Minute Menu. Please begin using this with the October claim, with any new infant enrollments and any infant enrollment updates.
- ◆ Please remember to submit copies of the DCDEE Infant Feeding forms. These are the ones that parent's complete and update as the infant's feeding needs change.
- ◆ A fruit and/or vegetable **must** be served at snack when child is developmentally ready for food.
- ◆ All providers **must** indicate on the infant enrollment, the name of the formula offered and have that formula on-site.



Please, do not hesitate to contact Brianne or Nancy when you have questions as we begin the transition to the new meal patterns/guidelines.

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