



March 27, 2020

Most Rev. Robert P. Deeley, J.C.D.
President

Dear Providers,

Rachel Grivois, CPA
Chair

We hope this email finds you safe & healthy and adjusting to the many changes happening around us. Please read on for a couple of important updates

Stephen P. Letourneau
Chief Executive Officer

CACFP vs. SFSP:

There is still some confusion out there about CACFP participants receiving SFSP (Summer Foods Service Program) meals. We have been asked by the State CACFP office to contact our providers to tell you that CACFP participating daycare home providers **CANNOT** get SFSP meals for children that are enrolled in the CACFP and attending childcare. The two programs, CACFP and SFSP, must serve two distinctly different groups of children. If you have received any SFSP meals, you **CANNOT** claim anything through CACFP for any day that those meals were received because SFSP will be claiming those children (even if you sent the SFSP meals home with the children). Providers who have been receiving SFSP meals for children enrolled in CACFP must stop getting SFSP meals immediately!

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If you have temporarily closed your daycare home and want to offer CACFP compliant meals (to the extent that the food is available), you must contact the Catholic Charities Maine CACFP office (not your monitor) to notify us that you have closed your program and are choosing to offer non-congregate meals for the children enrolled in your daycare home. Closed providers cannot claim meals offered to any child who is not enrolled in their care and cannot claim meals offered to adults.

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Non-compliant meals that are due to unavailable products must still be as healthy as possible using the products available to the providers. Clear, dated documentation of what was offered and why it does not meet the meal pattern must be kept on-file. You should submit that documentation to Catholic Charities Maine CACFP along with your monthly menu and meal count records. Online claimers may email the documentation to cacfp@ccmaine.org. Providers submitting bubble menus should include the documentation when mailing your menus. Lunches and dinners should still consist of 5 components and be a healthy meal and as compliant as possible, etc. Grain-based desserts and other non-compliant foods will continue to be disallowed. We hope as our country adjusts to the current situation hoarding will slow down and meals will, once again, easily meet the CACFP meal pattern.



March Menus & Capacity Changes:

With the month quickly coming to an end and many providers temporarily closing programs during this time of social distancing, it would be most helpful to receive your March menus as soon possible after you serve your last meal for the month. Please mail any bubble menus and paperwork, such as enrollment forms for new children to:

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Be sure to notify us if you have been approved to care for children beyond the licensed capacity we have listed for your program. Don't forget to send in any enrollments for new children for which you might be caring and claiming CACFP meals.

As always, Catholic Charities Maine CACFP staff is here to answer your questions or ask for guidance where needed. Please call the office at 207-786-0925 or 800-784-0157 or email us at cacfp@ccmaine.org.

Be safe and be healthy!

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