MEMORANDUM

To: All Sponsoring Organizations Participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program

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Subject: Electronic Record and Reporting Systems

The increasing prevalence of electronic systems of records and claiming is an encouraging step toward streamlining recordkeeping and reporting requirements. However, it is important to ensure that implementing an electronic system does not create a barrier to participation.

Institutions are encouraged to establish internet or electronic based systems, including but not limited to, application submissions and claims processing; however, any such system must include a means to fully access Program benefits without internet or computer access. Otherwise, an eligible facility or individual might be denied access to Program benefits.

Therefore, if your Sponsoring Organization is using an internet based system, the Sponsoring Organization cannot require the facility to submit records or claims using the internet based system. The Sponsoring Organization must have a means for the facility to submit records and claims via other methods (such as manually).

If you have questions, please contact your regional consultant.

cc: SNP Staff (via email)