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Memorandum

To: Institutions Participating on the Child and Adult Care Food Program

From: Arnette Cowan, Head 
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Subject: Health and Safety Inspection Requirements for Outside School Hours Care Centers, At-risk Afterschool Care Centers, and Emergency Shelters

On February 19, 2015, you were emailed memo CACFP 15-03, Health and Safety Inspection Requirements. This memo provided clarification on health and safety inspection requirements for non-traditional centers in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). This memo further explains that CACFP regulations do not require at-risk afterschool care centers, outside school hours care centers (OSHCCs), or emergency shelters to be licensed; however, they must meet State or local health and safety standards [7 CFR 226.6 (d)(1)].

In some jurisdictions, occupancy permits may serve as the only evidence that a facility complies with State or local health of safety standards. For occupancy permits, as for other required permits and inspections, time limits may or may not be placed on these documents by State or local health and safety authorities.

As of the date of this notice, new at-risk afterschool care centers, outside school hours care centers or emergency shelters that are not licensed must submit a health and safety inspection or an occupancy permit.

Beginning October 1, 2015, all updating at-risk afterschool care centers, outside school hours care centers (OSHCCs), and emergency shelters that are not licensed must meet health and safety

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standards to participate in the CACFP. The Health and Safety report or a copy of the occupancy permit will be required as a part of the application packet for fiscal year 2015.

There is no form of “alternate approval” for OSHCC’s and at-risk afterschool care centers, as there is for other types of child care facilities (42 USC §1766(a)(5)(B)). Therefore, form CAC 8H “Application for Child Care Standards Approval of Non-Licensed Institutions and Facilities” will no longer be accepted. In the absence of State or local or health and safety standards or occupancy permits, OSHCC’s, at-risk afterschool care centers or emergency shelters are not eligible to participate on the CACFP.

Failure to provide the health and safety report or occupancy permit may result in the denial of your application or your Institution being declared seriously deficient.

If you have questions, please contact your regional consultant.

c: SNP Staff