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MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL 2023 SFSP PARTICIPANTS
FROM: DCCECE/ HNU
DATE: MARCH 7, 2023

SUBJECT: Streamlining requirements and Improving Integrity in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Final Rule

This rulemaking amends the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) regulations to strengthen program integrity by clarifying, simplifying, and streamlining program administration to facilitate compliance with program requirements. Through this final rule, USDA is codifying changes to the regulations that will streamline requirements among child nutrition programs, simplify the application process, enhance monitoring requirements, offer more clarity on existing requirements, and provide more discretion at the state agency level to manage program operations.

Health and Nutrition Unit (HNU) is offering this comparison table to assist SFSP program operators in understanding the regulatory changes brought by the Streamlining Requirements and Improving Integrity in the Summer Food Service Program Final Rule. To view the complete Final Rule, please visit the Federal Register: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2022/09/19/2022-20084/streamlining-program-requirements-and-improving-integrity-in-the-summer-food-service-program-sfsp>

There are twenty-four (24) rule clarifications. Each rule will be sent independently along with the procedure the State Agency will follow to ensure compliance.

REMINDER: THE SFSP 2023 APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED ON APRIL 30, 2023. NO APPLICATION WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER APRIL 30, 2023.

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