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MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL 2023 CACFP PARTICIPANTS
FROM: DCCECE/ HNU
DATE: AUGUST 21, 2023
SUBJECT: CACFP COVID FLEXIBILITIES HAVE ENDED



Please be advised that the COVID flexibilities ended June 30, 2023. All CACFP operators must amend their 2023 CACFP back to normal operations. Currently, the following flexibilities have expired:

- The Non-Congregate feeding option, (Grab N Go) has expired.
- The mealtime flexibilities allowing for meals and snacks to be given at the same time have expired.
- All Family Child Care Homes reimbursed at Tier 1 rate have expired.
- Offsite monitoring for flexibilities has expired. Monitoring must be completed onsite.
- The Keep Kids Fed Act of 2022 provided an additional 10 cents has expired.

The remaining 2023 CACFP fiscal year must be amended. All CACFP Sponsors must make the changes in their budgets. Please contact your Application Coordinator for assistance. Failure to make the necessary changes to your budget can result in adverse action being taken against the program.

The Health and Nutrition Unit (HNU) appreciates the exceptional efforts of our local program operators in their efforts to maintain program integrity during the public health emergency. Sponsors are reminded to distribute this memorandum to program sites immediately.

If you have questions/concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your Application Coordinator.

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It is highly recommended that you keep a copy of this MEMORANDUM on file for quick and easy reference. A copy is also available in the resource library under **2023 Mass Alerts**.

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