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## MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 24, 2023  
TO: Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Day Care Home  
FROM: Sponsors DCCECE/ Health and Nutrition Unit  
SUBJECT: Tier 1 and Tier 2 Rate Claims for CACFP Day Care Homes

This is an important notification regarding the COVID-19 Child Nutrition Response #93 Nationwide Waiver of Area Eligibility for Family Day Care Homes (FDCH) for the 2022-2023 School Year.

Beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, the Food Nutrition Service (FNS) waived for all states the area eligibility requirements for Tier 2 to allow CACFP Day Care Home Sponsors to claim meals and snacks (served to enrolled children) at the higher Tier 1 reimbursement rate.

CACFP Day Care Home Sponsors must log into their application, "CACFP Provider Agreement FDCH1" and switch to the correct Tier in preparation for the June 30, 2023, waiver end date. **This modification must be completed AFTER the claim for June 2023 has been submitted.** Failure to make the correct adjustment will result in an incorrect Tier rate claim reimbursement.

*A day care home that is located in a geographic area, as defined by FNS based on census data, in which at least 50 percent of the children residing in the area are members of households which meet the income standards for free or reduced - price meals is a Tier I day care home. All others are Tier II.*

It is highly recommended that you keep a copy of this memo for quick and easy reference. A copy is also available on the Special Nutrition Program (SNP) Resource Library under **2023 Mass Alerts**. If you have any questions regarding this memorandum, please contact the Health and Nutrition Unit for assistance. Thank you for your participation in the CACFP Day Care Home Program.

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**Note:** This alert is being distributed to CACFP Family Day Care Home Sponsors. Sponsors are required to notify Family Day Care Homes.