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

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Special Nutrition Programs

Subject: Interim Final Rule entitled *Child Nutrition Programs: Flexibilities for Milk, Whole Grains, and Sodium Requirements*

On Thursday, November 30, 2017, the Food and Nutrition Service published an Interim Final Rule entitled Child Nutrition Programs: Flexibilities for Milk, Whole Grains, and Sodium Requirements. To be considered, written comments on the interim rule must be received on or before January 29, 2018.

Institutions on the Child and Adult Care Food Program may be affected by one of the three flexibilities included in this interim final rule effective school year 2018-2019:

- “The option to offer *flavored, low-fat (1% fat) milk* as part of a reimbursable meal for CACFP participants 6 years and older.”

The current new meal pattern requirement allows *flavored, fat-free (skim) milk* for participants 6 years and older.

The regulation is now on public display at the Federal Register. The Summary is attached, and the entire document may be reviewed at this link

<https://s3.amazonaws.com/public-inspection.federalregister.gov/2017-25799.pdf>.

The rule will become effective July 1, 2018.

Cc: SNP Staff

Attachment

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