

NC CACFP Monthly Institution Call July 2024

All the information on this call is true and accurate as of July 12, 2024.

TODAY'S AGENDA

- Record Renewal FY 2024
- Record Renewal FY 2025
- FY 2025 Reimbursement Rates
- FY 2025 Forms (Enrollment & IEA)
- Policy Memo
- USDA Final Rule
- Additional Information
- Q&A



Record Renewal

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Record Renewal FY 2024 - Status



Record Renewal FY 2024 - Contingent Approvals

- Provided to institutions in Recommended Approval status
- Corrections to the Record Renewal for 2024 may still need to be submitted

Record Renewal FY 2025

- Opens in NC CACFP CONNECTS on August 1, 2024
- Due by September 30, 2024
- Simple format this year, due to level-set last year

Record Renewal FY 2025

- Guides will be available for each institution type
- Access them by:
 - -Email
 - -Attending Live Training
 - -NC CACFP CONNECTS Document Library



North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services

Division of Child & Family Well-Being, Community Nutrition Services Section Child and Adult Care Food Program Sponsoring Organization of Unaffiliated Centers and Day Care

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Record Renewal FY 2025

- Live trainings will be available July 30-August 8
- Trainings for:
 - -Independent Centers
 - -Sponsoring Organizations of Affiliated Centers
 - -Sponsoring Organizations of Unaffiliated Centers
 - -Sponsoring Organizations of Day Care Homes
- Two training session options available for each type of institution

LIVE Trainings for Record Renewal FY 2025

| Туре | Date | Time |
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| Independent Centers | July 30 | 9:00-11:00 AM |
| Sponsoring Organizations - Unaffiliated | July 31 | 9:00-11:00 AM |
| Sponsoring Organizations - Day Care Home | July 31 | 1:00-3:00 PM |
| Sponsoring Organizations - Affiliated | August 1 | 1:00-3:00 PM |
| Sponsoring Organizations - Affiliated | August 6 | 9:00-11:00 AM |
| Independent Centers | August 7 | 1:00-3:00 PM |
| Sponsoring Organizations - Day Care Home | August 8 | 9:00-11:00 AM |
| Sponsoring Organizations - Unaffiliated | August 8 | 1:00-3:00 PM |

Reimbursement Rates for 2024-2025

CACFP Reimbursement Rates for 2024-2025

- USDA has released the following rates for FY 2025:
 - Reimbursement Rates
 - Cash In Lieu Rates
 - Administrative Reimbursement Rates for Sponsoring Organizations of Day Care Homes
- Effective July 1, 2024 June 30, 2025

Summary of Changes for NC

Day Care Homes

- Breakfast 1¢ (Tier I and Tier II)
- Lunch/Supper 1 3¢ (Tier I) and 2¢ (Tier II)
- Snack 👚 1¢ (Tier II)

Centers/Afterschool

- Breakfast 1¢ (paid) and 9¢ (free/reduced)
- Lunch/Supper 1 2¢ (paid) and 18¢ (free/reduced)
- Snack 1¢ (paid), 2¢ (reduced), and 4¢ (free)

Summary of Changes for NC

Cash In Lieu Rates

- Increased by ½ cents per lunch/supper
- Overall rate of 30 cents per lunch/supper

Summary of Changes for NC

Administrative Reimbursement Rates for Sponsoring Organizations of Day Care Homes

- Increase of \$5 per month for initial 50 homes
- Increase of \$4 per month for next 150 homes
- Increase of \$2 per month for next 800 homes
- Increase of \$2 for each additional home



Updated Forms for 2024-2025

Now Available in English & Spanish:

- Enrollment Forms
- Income Eligibility Applications
- Infant Feeding Consent Forms

Where to find them:

- NC CACFP CONNECTS Document Library
- NC CACFP Website Forms Page

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CACFP Forms

CACFP General Forms

Claims, Corrective Actions, Meal Documentation, Recordkeeping, Sponsoring Organization Documents, Sponsoring Organization Review Tools, Closeout Documents and Program Update.

CACFP Forms Fiscal Year 2025

CACFP Forms Fiscal Year 2024

Enrollment and Income Eligibility Forms, Food Service Contract and Add New Facilities under a Sponsoring Organization.

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| Enrollment Forms | \bigtriangledown |
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Policy Memo CACFP 10-2024: Geographic Preference Option Questions & Answers

- Released on June 26, 2024
- Notable changes include:
 - –Q&A that address the use of local as a specification for local unprocessed agricultural products
 - Use the term "defined scoring advantage" instead of "geographic preference"
 - -Reorganization of Q&As

USDA Final Rule

Partnerships With Faith-Based and Neighborhood Organizations

- Final Rule published by USDA: <u>"Partnerships With Faith-Based</u> <u>and Neighborhood</u> <u>Organizations</u>"
- Affects all Child Nutrition
 Programs
- Effective July 2, 2024



Partnerships With Faith-Based and Neighborhood Organizations

A Rule by the Education Department, the Homeland Security Department, the Agriculture Department, the Agency for International Development, the Housing and Urban Development Department, the Justice Department, the Labor Department, the Veterans Affairs Department, and the Health and Human Services Department on 03/04/2024

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| | AGENCY: | Printed version: PDF |
| | Department of Education, Department of Homeland Security, Department of | Publication Date: 03/04/2024 |
| | Agriculture, Agency for International Development, Department of Housing and | Agencies: |
| ~ | Urban Development, Department of Justice, Department of Labor, Department | Department of Education |
| | of Veterans Affairs, Department of Health and Human Services. | Department of Homeland Security |
| - | ACTION: | Department of Agriculture Agency for International Development |
| ·U. | Final rule. | Department of Housing and |
| | SUMMARY: | Urban Development Department of Justice Department of Labor |
| > | This final rule amends the regulations of the agencies listed above (the | Department of Veterans Affairs |
| B | "Agencies") to clarify protections for beneficiaries and prospective beneficiaries | Department of Health and Human Services |

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Notice to Beneficiaries and Prospective Beneficiaries

CACFP local operators:

- **Must** provide written notice to beneficiaries of their right to be free from discrimination on the basis of religion;
- **Must** provide written notice to beneficiaries of how to report violations of these regulatory protections; and,
- *May* provide written notice to beneficiaries on how to obtain information about other federally funded service providers available in their area.

Notice to Beneficiaries and Prospective Beneficiaries

CACFP local operators must provide written notice to beneficiaries by using one or more of the methods below:

- . Post a written notice at the service location (e.g., schools, child care centers, community organization sites); or,
- . Post a written notice on the local program operator website; or,
- . Provide flyers or handouts at food distribution sites (e.g., congregate meal sites, non-congregate meal pick up locations, etc.); or,
- . Add the written notification to the program application.

Notice to Beneficiaries and Prospective Beneficiaries

- Model notice available here \rightarrow
- Download from the FILES pod

USDA

United States Department of Agriculture

NOTICE TO BENEFICIARIES AND PROSPECTIVE BENEFICIARIES

Name of Organization:

Name of Program:

Contact Information for Program Staff: [provide name, phone number, and email address, if appropriate]

Because this program is supported in whole or in part by financial assistance from the Federal Government, we are required to let you know that:

- We may not discriminate against you on the basis of religion, a religious belief, a refusal to hold a religious belief, or a refusal to attend or participate in a religious practice;
- (2) We may not require you to attend or participate in any explicitly religious activities (including activities that involve overt religious content such as worship, religious instruction, or proselytization) that are offered by our organization, and any participation by you in such activities must be purely voluntary;
- (3) We must separate in time or location any privately funded explicitly religious activities (including activities that involve overt religious content such as worship, religious instruction, or proselytization) from activities supported with direct Federal financial assistance; and
- (4) You may report violations of these protections, including any denials of services or benefits by an organization, by contacting or filing a written complaint with the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Center for Civil Rights Enforcement, Program Complaint Division by mail, fax, or e-mail at:

Mail:

United States Department of Agriculture Director, Center for Civil Rights Enforcement 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20250-9410

Fax: (202) 690-7442 Email: program.intake@usda.gov

(5) If you would like to seek information about whether there are any other federally funded organizations that provide these kinds of services in your area, please contact [INSERT State Administrative Agency contact information].

This written notice must be provided to you before you enroll in the program or receive services from the program, unless the nature of the service provided, or exigent circumstances make it impracticable to provide such notice before we provide the actual service. In such an instance, this notice must be provided to you at the earliest available opportunity.

Additional Information

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New Institution Staff - Training

• NC CACFP CONNECTS Orientation Training • Visit this link to register/attend.



North Carolina Farm to ECE Connections Map



North Carolina Farm to ECE Connections Map

Farm to Preschool or Early Care and Education (ECE) programs are instrumental in nurturing healthy eating habits and fostering a deeper understanding of food origins in young children. By introducing locally sourced foods and hands-on experiences like gardening and farm visits, these initiatives not only promote nutrition but also environmental awareness, support for local economies, and community interconnectedness.

The map below serves as a tool for connecting childcare sites with local farmers, facilitating the use of locally sourced foods, and contributing to healthier communities in North Çarolina.



Explore the map:

https://www.commu nityclinicalconnectio ns.com/farm-to-ece/

<u>Register</u> your site on the map today!

The ICN CACFP Challenges Survey

Institute of Child Nutrition Applied Research Division (ICN ARD)

- 7- 10 minutes
- Voluntary
- Confidential
- CACFP resources, training, and technical assistance development





Click <u>here</u> to take the survey.

Recipe Standardization Guide for the CACFP



Click <u>here</u> to view the Recipe Standardization Guide

- ✓ "How-To" Guide
- ✓ Tools and templates
- ✓ Taste-test rating activities
- Check out the Institute of Child Nutrition (ICN)
 for more CACFP resources
 - Explore USDA's Team Nutrition resources



IN CLOSING

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

- Please use the "QUESTIONS" pod to submit your questions.
- We will review what we have time for that pertains to the relevance of the group.
- Questions that apply to one specific Institution will be handled offline.



MONTHLY INSTITUTION CALLS

The PowerPoints for the Institution calls are found on our website:

Program Resources Page

Click on "Monthly Institutions Call"



EVALUATION SURVEY

Please complete an evaluation survey to share your feedback with us

- 1. Click on "EVALUATION SURVEY" below
- 2. Complete the survey questions
- 3. Click the blue "Submit" button

North Carolina CACFP Monthly Institution Call Evaluation Survey

Thank you for attending the **Monthly Institution Call** for the North Carolina Child and Adult Care Food Program. Please indicate your responses to the below questions.

We appreciate your feedback.

The objectives of the call were clearly defined. *

O Yes

O No (Please explain)

The objectives were met. *

O Yes

O No (Please explain)

Participation and interaction were encouraged. *

O Yes

O No (Please explain)

Thank you for your time! Next call is on **Friday**, **August 2**.