POLICY ALERT

Date: June 26, 2008
Reference: # CACFP CCC 2008-14
To: Child and Adult Care Food Program-Child Care Centers (CACFP-CCC) Contractors
Subject: Questions Regarding Infant Feeding
Effective Date: Immediately

Purpose

This Policy Alert provides answers to questions received from the “Feeding Infants – During the First Year” training class conducted on February 20, 2008.

Implementation

Immediately

Procedure

Question: The parent and child are participants of Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) and are receiving infant formula which they cannot use due to the excess of formula received. The parent does not want the infant formula to be wasted, so therefore, the parent declines the infant formula provided by the center but brings the same infant formula from home. Can the center claim the meal for reimbursement?

Answer: Yes, as long as the center has a statement from the parent declining the infant formula offered by the center.

Question: The child turns one year old and the parents have infant formula and iron-fortified infant cereal they would like to give to the center as a donation. Can the center use the infant formula and iron-fortified infant cereal and claim reimbursement?

Answer: Yes, the center can use the infant formula and iron-fortified infant cereal and claim reimbursement as long as the center documents that the donations were used for use in the CACFP.

Question: Can the center claim reimbursement if parent volunteers come to the center and feed the infants?

Answer: Yes, the center can claim reimbursement if the parent volunteers are feeding the infants infant formula and/or iron-fortified infant cereal provided by the center. If the parent volunteer is breastfeeding their infant at the center or brought their own infant formula and/or iron-fortified infant formula, the center can not claim reimbursement.

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This Policy Remains in Effect Until Further Notice
Authority

7 CFR 226.6 and 7 CFR 226.20

Contact

If you have any questions please contact your Food and Nutrition Field Operations Office.