NOTICE

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To: Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Contractors

Subject: Minimum Standards for Child Care Centers

Purpose

This Notice informs contractors that they must adhere to all applicable State and Federal rules, regulations, policies and procedures concerning minimum standards for child care centers.

Implementation

Immediately

Procedure

It has come to the attention of the Special Nutrition Programs (SNP) that licensed child care centers are attempting to participate in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) using their same licensed indoor and outdoor activity spaces. The rules and regulations for licensed child care centers, dated September 2006, of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) “Minimum Standards for Child-Care Centers” states:

• §746.4215 – You must not share the indoor licensed activity space with other programs at the same time you have children in care.
• §746.4315 – You must not share the licensed outdoor activity space with other programs at the same time you have children in care.

If SNP becomes aware of a specific center violating these or any other licensing rules, the center will be reported to the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services for investigation.

Contact

If you have any questions please contact your Area Program Office.