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School Year 2014-15 Certification of Compliance with New Meal Patterns: Certification Tools and Prototype Attestation - Revised

TO: Regional Directors

Special Nutrition Program

All Regions

State Directors

Child Nutrition Programs

All States

This revised memorandum includes for your use and information updated materials to support the certification process set forth in the interim rule, *Certification of Compliance with Meal Requirements for the National School Lunch Program under the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010*. The lunch and breakfast tools have been updated to assess compliance with the first sodium targets and 100 percent whole grain rich for grains requirement going into effect in School Year (SY) 2014-15. In addition, the breakfast tools have been updated to reflect the one cup fruit requirement in the breakfast meal pattern for SY 2014-15. School food authorities applying for certification in SY 2014-15 can use the attached breakfast and lunch tools.

Materials in this memorandum include:

- The SY 2014-15 FNS-developed Certification Tools, each of which includes a Menu Worksheet Module and a Simplified Nutrient Assessment Module:
 - Updated Breakfast Certification Worksheet, Grades K-5
 - Updated Breakfast Certification Worksheet, Grades 6-8
 - Updated Breakfast Certification Worksheet, Grades 9-12
 - o Updated Breakfast Certification Worksheet, Grades K-12
 - o *Updated* Lunch Certification Worksheet, Grades K-5
 - o *Updated* Lunch Certification Worksheet, Grades 6-8
 - o Updated Lunch Certification Worksheet, Grades 9-12
- Updated Instructions including details on how to complete the sodium assessment portion of the Simplified Nutrient Assessment
- A SY 2014-15 prototype Attestation Statement for submission by school food authorities as part of the certification process

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State agencies are reminded to distribute this memorandum and attachments to program operators immediately. SFAs should contact their State agencies for additional information. State agencies may direct any questions concerning this guidance to the appropriate FNS Regional Office. Regional Offices may contact the Child Nutrition Division.



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Attachments