

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



TO: Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Child and Adult Day Care Centers

and Family Day Care Home Sponsors

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Operational Memorandum No. 1A-18, 1C-18 and 1H-18 **SUBJECT:** 

Schedule for Submission of Online Reimbursement Claim Data

The Code of Federal Regulations for the Child and Adult Care Food Program [7 CFR §226.10(e)] outlines the time limits for submission of claims for reimbursement to state agencies by sponsors. The due date for the claim form is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month following the last day of the month covered by the claim. Final claims, including revisions, must be submitted no later than 60 days following the last day of the month covered by the claim. Claims not filed or corrected within the 60 days may not be paid.

Connecticut CACFP sponsors submit claims online through the Connecticut State Department of Education's (CSDE) Online Application and Claiming System for Child Nutrition Programs (CNP System).

**Timely Payment:** Sponsors must adhere to this schedule to ensure timely payment of claims. A claim that is entered after the due date noted in column 2 of the CSDE's submission schedule cannot be processed until the next month when the CNP System processes claims.

CACFP institutions must ensure that monthly reimbursement claims are entered and submitted for payment in the CNP System by the deadline to ensure timely payment.

Late Claims: Although sponsors may prepare and submit a claim in the online CNP System at any time, a claim that is approaching the final deadline date for submission indicated in column 4 of the CSDE's submission schedule might not be paid if it is not submitted by this final deadline date. Sponsors must therefore make every effort to ensure that the information is submitted timely and accurately.

**Separation of Duties:** The CSDE reminds sponsors that there is a separation of duties regarding the submission of claims. The CNP System includes security measures to support adequate internal controls through segregation of duties. This separation of duties involves having more than one person involved in the completion of a task. When adequate internal controls or segregation of duties are in place, one person is prevented from having control over all aspects of a particular transaction, thereby minimizing the opportunity for errors and unintended reporting. For more information, refer to the CSDE's handout, *User IDs and Passwords for the CACFP*.

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SCHEDULE FOR SUBMISSION OF ONLINE REIMBURSEMENT CLAIM DATA October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2018				
COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3	COLUMN 4	
Reimbursement Claim Month	This DUE DATE is the date the claim must be received by the CSDE to ensure prompt payment	This is the date that the reimbursement claim check is due to be paid if the CSDE receives claim by the date in Column 2	FINAL DEADLINE To receive payment, this is the final date that the claim can be submitted to the CSDE *	
October 2017	November 15, 2017	December 30, 2017	December 30, 2017	
November	December 15	January 29, 2018	January 29, 2018	
December	January 15, 2018	March 1	March 1	
January 2018	February 15	April 1	April 1	
February	March 15	April 29	April 29	
March	April 15	May 30	May 30	
April	May 15	June 29	June 29	
May	June 15	July 30	July 30	
June	July 15	August 29	August 29	
July	August 15	September 29	September 29	

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- 1. Claims are due (received by the CSDE) by the date in column 2. Claims received by this date will be processed for timely payment by the date listed in column 3.
- 2. Final claim data **MUST** be received online by the date in column 4 to comply with the required time frame (60 days).
- 3. Claim (original or revised) must be submitted online by the date in column 4 (final deadline) to ensure receipt of program reimbursement. The CSDE grants exceptions on a case-by-case basis.

<sup>\* &</sup>quot;Submitted" means prepared by the claims preparer and submitted by the authorized signer in the CNP System.

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