

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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Bureau of Health/Nutrition Family Services and Adult Education

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SUBJECT: Operational Memorandum No. 1A-20, 1C-20 and 1H-20

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 15th 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 will not be processed.

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 the schedule on page 2 of this memo 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 submitted after the final deadline date for submission indicated in column 4 of the CSDE's submission schedule will not be paid. 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 separation of duties. This separation of duties involves having more than one person involved in the completion of a task. When adequate internal controls or separation 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.

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Schedule for Submission of Online Reimbursement Claim Data October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2020				
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 2019	November 15, 2019	December 30, 2019	December 30, 2019	
November 2019	December 15, 2019	January 29, 2020	January 29, 2020	
December 2019	January 15, 2020	March 2, 2020	February 29, 2020	
January 2020	February 15, 2020	March 31, 2020	March 31, 2020	
February 2020	March 15, 2020	April 29, 2020	April 29, 2020	
March 2020	April 15, 2020	June 1, 2020	May 30, 2020	
April 2020	May 15, 2020	June 29, 2020	June 29, 2020	
May 2020	June 15, 2020	July 30, 2020	July 30, 2020	
June 2020	July 15, 2020	August 31, 2020	August 29, 2020	
July 2020	August 15, 2020	September 29, 2020	September 29, 2020	
August 2020	September 15, 2020	October 30, 2020	October 30, 2020	
September 2020	October 15, 2020	November 30, 2020	November 29, 2020	

^{* &}quot;Submitted" means prepared by the claims preparer and submitted by the authorized signer in the CNP System.

- 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. Claims (original or revised) must be submitted online by the date in column 4 (final deadline) in order to be eligible to receive program reimbursement. The CSDE has the authority to approve a one-time exception for reimbursing a valid, late monthly claim once every 36 months. The CSDE limits the use of the one-time exception to the federal fiscal year (October 1 through September 30) to which the claim applies. To be considered for payment, one of the two approved authorized signers must submit a request for the one-time exception (including a corrective action plan) no later than December 15, 2020. For additional guidance, contact a CACFP consultant.

Questions may be directed to the CACFP consultants below.

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