

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Child Enrollment Forms

RE-ENROLLMENT- SEPTEMBER

The USDA regulations changes for 2005 required that all children must be re-enrolled on an annual basis. Due to the various dates on when children enter and leave your daycare, HFS will have September as the enrollment month. We have prepared a separate mailing so you can include all new enrollment forms with your August claim.

Tips...

- Make sure parents complete the entire form. (It should have the birthdates, days of attendance, in/out times, address, and your name on the form.)
- Re-imbursement can only be made for children who have new enrollment forms.
- Please call us if you have any questions about the enrollment process.
- Call if you need more forms.

We have fun and exciting training packets that you can request from our office to do @ home and receive 1 hour of Nutrition Training Credit.



Re-imbursement Rule
Reminder

Your reimbursement check is based on the records you turn in to our office each month. We compare the meals you claim with the information listed on the scanner sheets. For example, we must make sure you are not claiming reimbursement for meals served in excess of your approved capacity. We also review the meal times listed on your application for participation and compare them to the in and out times listed for the children. A child arriving at 1:15 p.m. would not be eligible to be claimed for lunch since lunchtime was 11:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Using the current rates for reimbursement, you may want to figure out what you expect your check to be. Then, if it is different, call us at our North Office (451-6244) immediately, and we will research it.

If there is a discrepancy, notify the office within ten (10) days after receiving your check so adjustments may be made.

We suggest that you staple your check stub to your copy of that month's scanner sheets and menus. That way, it is easy to keep track of your reimbursement.

Please note: deductions will be made for errors on scanner sheets and for children claimed who are not enrolled.

WELCOME
NEW PROVIDERS

- Valora C. Patterson
- LaTasha N. Jenkins
- Laurette Thompson
- Althea Bosley
- Angie M. Siders
- Marguerite F. Daye

CHECK DATES!

September 18th
October 17th



NEWSLETTER WINNERS!

(Please read your newsletter and mail back the "Provider's Blog" and you are enter in a drawing to receive a \$25 gift Certificate from Wal-Mart)

Ruth Masterson-
\$25 Wal-Mart Gift
Certificate!

REMINDER

CLAIMS ARE DUE BY
THE 4TH OF EVERY
MONTH!

Creating Healthy Kids

Training Opportunities!

All 2006 workshops (except December) will be 3rd Thursday of the month, 6:30-8:30. Workshops are free to members, \$5 non-members. All trainings are held at 6720 North 30th St. unless otherwise noted.

August 26th- CPR & First Aid Training

6720 North 30th Street.- 8:00 AM-12:00 PM

Cost: \$50 for both

CPR- \$40 First Aid- \$20

September 16th- CPR & First Aid Training

6720 North 30th Street.- 8:00 AM-12:00 PM

Cost: \$50 for both

CPR- \$40 First Aid- \$20

Sept. 21st- HFS Child Care Network -Overview

Place- 6720 North 30th Street

Time- 10:00AM-1:00 PM

Featuring:

- Resource Center
- CACFP New Website

Learn how to better utilize the many services available from the programs at the North office.

2005-2006

Garlic Chicken & Veggie Wrap

- 3 oz. Turkey Entree Starters
- Shredded Carrots
- Sliced Cucumber
- Sliced Avocado
- Sliced Tomato
- Alfalfa Sprouts
- Romaine or Leaf Lettuce, shredded
- Roasted Garlic Balsamic Vinaigrette Dressing
- Tomato Flour Tortilla



Directions

1 Preparation Time: 6 minutes

Cooking Time: 25 minutes

1. Cook chicken meat to 165°F.
2. Place tortilla on a plate and cover in layers with turkey meat, carrots, cucumber, avocado, tomato, alfalfa sprouts and shredded lettuce. Top off ingredient layers with vinaigrette dressing.
3. Roll tortilla to create a wrap

UPDATE ON PROPOSED CHILD CARE/PRESCHOOL REGULATIONS

The Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure is in the process of updating the Child Care and Preschool Regulations. The last major revision to Family Child Care Home regulations occurred in 1995. For Centers and Preschools, the last major revision occurred in the late 1980s.

The draft Family Child Care Home I and draft Family Child Care Home II regulations are in the final stages of internal review. Because of the differences in the licensing process, capacity, etc., there will be a separate chapter for FCCH I and FCCH II regulations. Soon, a written description of the proposed changes and the reasoning behind each change will be mailed to all Child Care Support Groups. Through the Support Groups, Family Child Care Home providers will have an opportunity to review the changes and give the Department feedback and make recommendations.

The draft Child Care Center and Preschool regulations are still being refined. A new category has been proposed – School Age Only Centers.

In revising all child care/preschool regulations, Department staff used these guiding principles: quality of service; goal oriented and clear in specifications of intent; not duplicative; emphasis on quality improvement; minimum fiscal impact to programs and clients

The specific changes for all sets of regulations focus on the following:

- Implement legislation from 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2006
- Delete regulations that create unsafe environments (i.e. toys/blankets in cribs)
- Implement recommendations from Child Death Review Team, Governor appointed task force on Nebraska children's mortality, National SIDS Foundation, American Academy of Pediatrics specific to reducing deaths and injuries of infants and children
- Whenever possible, establish same or similar requirements for all licensed programs
- Reformat organization of regulations to be consistent with other facilities licensed by

Credentialing Division, HHS Regulation and Licensure

- Imbed Nebraska's Early Learning Guidelines
- Members of the Governor appointed Early Childhood Interagency Coordinating Council assisted in the review of all proposed regulations.

Public Hearings on all five sets of regulations will likely be scheduled in late summer or early fall of 2006. When public hearings are scheduled, copies of all the proposed regulations will be available on the Department of Health and Human Services System web site: <http://www.hhs.state.ne.us/index.htm>

Questions or comments about the proposed regulations can be directed to: Patricia Urzedowski, Program Administrator 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 94986 Lincoln, NE 68508-4986 Phone: 402-471-9431 E-mail: pat.urzedowski@hhs.ne.gov

PROVIDER'S BLOG

Thank you for your suggestions. We are willing to use any comments that would improve our customer service, remaining within CACFP guidelines and our budget. This is one of the ways to do just that, and help make your job easier. Remember to Sign & Return this page to be entered into the Wal-Mart Certificate drawing.

Question- (We can't always Print everyone's response so we tried to get a good balance)

Kid's say the Funniest Things- We would like you to share some things that children say and do that bring smiles to our faces and laughter to our lips.

- Tomorrow I won't be at daycare; I 'm going to Disney World...or... maybe World of Fun! Oh... I think it might have been just a dream, so count me in for lunch tomorrow.
- The kids were playing wedding when one girl asked why someone would want to marry someone "Awful." She thought the phrase was "Awfully wedded wife" instead of "Lawfully wedded wife."

THIS MONTH'S QUESTION-

"One of our daycare providers suggested that instead of just offering a \$25 gift certificate to Wal-Mart for reading the newsletter and returning the "Provider's Blog" we should offer other gifts as well. Here is your chance to offer some ideas that would be a great benefit to your daycare"

Signature

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