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SUBJECT: Certification of Compliance with New Meal Patterns: Certification Tools and Prototype Attestation

TO: Regional Directors
Special Nutrition Program
All Regions

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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*. While the lunch tools are unchanged from the ones issued in School Year (SY) 2012-2013, the breakfast tools have been updated to reflect changes to the breakfast meal pattern for SY 2013-2014. School food authorities applying for certification in SY 2013-2014 can use the attached breakfast and lunch tools.

Materials in this memorandum include:

- The SY 2013-2014 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*
 - *Updated Breakfast Certification Worksheet, Grades K-12*
 - *Updated Breakfast Certification Worksheet, Grades K-8*
 - *Lunch Certification Worksheet, Grades K-5*
 - *Lunch Certification Worksheet, Grades 6-8*
 - *Lunch Certification Worksheet, Grades 9-12*
 - *Lunch Certification Worksheet, Grades K-8*
- A SY 2013-2014 prototype Attestation Statement for submission by school food authorities as part of the certification process.

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During this year of transition for breakfast requirements, the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) will not be approving software for breakfast certification. Therefore, specifications for the SY 2013-2014 breakfast tool have not been included. SFAs wishing to use software other than the FNS-provided breakfast tool should consult with their State agency.

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