

COVID-19 Update

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Meal Service during COVID-19 Outbreaks



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COVID-19: Child Nutrition Response #27 Nationwide Waiver of Monitoring Requirements for Sponsors in the Child and Adult Care Food Program- Clarification

The nationwide waiver of monitoring requirements requires Sponsoring Organizations of Multiple Sites and Day Care Home Providers to conduct two monitoring visits per site during the 2020 Program Year, and one must be unannounced.

USDA has clarified that Sponsoring Organizations **may** conduct a desk/virtual audit for the **announced** site monitoring visit in order to meet the CACFP monitoring requirements during the 2020 Program Year. All required review elements found at 226.16(d)(4)(i) must be completed for announced and unannounced reviews unless waived below.

As a reminder Nationwide Waiver #27 of Monitoring Requirements for Sponsors in the CACFP includes:

- FNS waives the requirement at 7 CFR 226.16(d)(4)(iii) that sponsoring organizations review each CACFP facility three times each year. For a sponsor's current review year, CACFP sponsors may **conduct two reviews** of their CACFP facilities.
- FNS waives the requirement at 7 CFR 226.16(d)(4)(iii)(A) that at least two of the three reviews must be unannounced. For a sponsor's current review year, **only one CACFP facility review is required to be unannounced.**
- **FNS waives the requirement at 7 CFR 226.16(d)(4)(iii)(B) that at least one unannounced review must include observation of a meal service.**
- FNS waives the requirement at 7 CFR 226.16(d)(4)(iii)(D) that not more than six months may elapse between reviews.
- FNS does not waive the requirement at CFR 226.16(d)(4)(iii)(C) that at least one review must be made during each new facility's first four weeks of Program operations, but allows sponsoring organizations to **review new CACFP facilities as a desk audit.**

To opt in to elect any or all of the monitoring waivers go to:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KMPZ5W7>

If you have questions please reach to out your Child Nutrition Consultant or call 785-296-2276.

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