Reply to
Attn. of: CACFP-562

Subject: Child Care Recipes

To: STATE AGENCY DIRECTORS - Colorado DPHE, Iowa, Kansas,
(Child Nutrition Programs) Missouri DH, Montana DPHSS,
Nebraska ED, North Dakota,
South Dakota, Utah and
Wyoming ED

Now that the distribution of the Tickle Your Appetite for Child Care kits is almost completed, it is time to plan for the distribution of the Child Care Recipes. This publication will contain 141 recipes. Many have variations, providing centers with more than 180 recipes. The recipe package has three sections—a set of 42 information cards which address food service topics; a set of how-to cards explaining the recipe format and the recipe cards grouped in nine sections. Headquarters plans to print and distribute this package by mid-March 1999.

In preparation for printing and distribution of the recipes to child care centers, we request that each State Agency (SA) determine their preference for distribution as was done for the Tickle mailing. Again, there are two options:

- ship bulk quantities to the States for redistribution to their sponsors and centers
- ship directly to sponsors and centers

The distribution will be done by the printer.

If you choose to have these shipped to the SA, we need to know the quantity to be shipped and the shipping address for your State. Kits will be packaged in individual boxes and then boxed
in cases of 6 kits. The kits should be similar in size to the Tickle kits with cases being approximately 12½ x 12½ x 22. If the shipping information and quantities are the same as for Tickle, we have that information.

If the SA wants these to be shipped directly to centers and sponsors as was done for the Tickle kits, those addresses are in a database already. However, if there are additions or changes to those addresses, we will need new disks of addresses from the SA.

Contact Ed Hart of my staff via internet at ed_hart@fcs.usda.gov FAX (303) 844-2234, or phone (303) 844-0359 reconfirming quantities you need and your shipping preferences. This information is needed by December 2, 1998.

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