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Single Agreements Between State Agencies and Local Entities That Operate More Than One Of The Child Nutrition Programs

To:
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(Child Nutrition Programs)
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Public Law 105-336, the William F. Goodling Child Nutrition Reauthorization Act of 1998, amended Section 9 of the National School Lunch Act by establishing a requirement with respect to school food authorities (SFAs) which administer any combination of the Child Nutrition Programs under the same administrative agency.

This memorandum is to clarify the meaning of the single State/local agreement and alternate State agency (SA) agreement for all programs. Where a SA or alternate SA administers more than one of the child nutrition programs, SFAs currently participating in any child nutrition program would not have to complete new agreements. Further, if a participating SFA wishes to participate in another child nutrition program a SA administers, and the current SA/SFA agreement form can be amended for this purpose, then an amendment to the existing agreement is all that is required. If the current SA/SFA agreement cannot be amended for an SFA wishing to participate in additional programs, or if a SFA not already participating in any program wishes to participate in a program, a single agreement must be completed.