Audit Requirements - Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)

STATE AGENCY DIRECTORS - Colorado ED, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri DH, Montana OPI, Nebraska ED, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming DHSS
(Special Nutrition Programs)

To:

There has been some discussion as to whether or not the State Agency (SA), which administers the SFSP, is responsible for ensuring that an SFSP institution obtains an audit of its Program operation regardless of the institution's cognizant agency. Our position is that the SA is, in fact, ultimately responsible for ensuring that sponsors comply with audit requirements and ensuring that sponsors submit audit reports, regardless of whether or not it is the cognizant agency. This requirement is delineated in Section 225.10(a) of the SFSP Regulations which requires sponsors to arrange for audits to be conducted in compliance with 7 CFR Part 3015. Section 3015.71 of Part 3015, Subpart I - Audits, requires recipients and subrecipients of Federal financial assistance to arrange for independent audits of financial operations, including compliance with certain provisions of Federal Laws and Regulations. Therefore, in order to ensure compliance with the SFSP Regulations, the SA should follow up with the sponsor or appropriate cognizant agency to obtain a copy of the audit report and take appropriate action in instances of noncompliance with Federal Laws or Regulations.

Please feel free to contact our office at (303) 844-0359 for any clarification or additional information.

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