

PHONE CALL SITE REVIEWS:

Just a reminder... We are still doing phone-call Site Reviews instead of onsite during this time, for your safety and ours. We know that you are especially busy during meal time and don't always have the time to pick up your phone. However, we ask that you understand, we must complete the USDA required Site Reviews, and we will be calling close to your meal times to document the meal you serve the children in your care. **Please answer your phone, as we are now required to do mealtime Site Reviews per USDA regulations.** Providers are still required to notify the office, in advance, if you are not serving a meal or away from home during a mealtime.

DAIRY MILK REQUIREMENTS REMINDER:

Unflavored Whole milk is required for children 12 months through 23 months old.
1% low-fat milk, non-fat milk, or skim milk is required for children 2 years and older.
Lactose-Reduced Milk is an allowable milk; same requirements as above.
Goats milk is allowable; it must be pasteurized; same requirement as above.

If the child is drinking Soy Milk, the Provider must call the office and request a Parent Request for a fluid milk substitution form for the allowable Soy Milks.

If a child is unable to drink any of the allowable milks due to milk intolerance or allergies. Call our office and ask for a medical statement to be completed by the child's physician.

CLAIMING GRAINS THAT ARE NOT A WHOLE GRAIN:

The grain product must meet the rule of 3 Requirements. The first ingredient, or second after water, must be whole grain and the next two grain ingredients (if any) must be whole grains, enriched grains, bran or germ.

TIER 1 REIMBURSEMENT FOR PROVIDERS THAT LIVE IN A TIER 2 AREA IS VALID UNTIL JUNE 30, 2022:

The nationwide waiver expires June 30, 2022. Providers that live in Tier 2 areas will be contacted and information regarding Eligibility Forms (used in prior years) will be sent to Tier 2 Providers.

April 2022 Reimbursement is normally issued in May 2022
Checks are issued within 5 Business days of receiving the funds from DSS
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