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**SUBJECT:** 

TO:

Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP), Revised

Income Guidelines for 2007

Food and Nutrition Service

Service

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This memorandum transmits the adjusted income guidelines to be used by State agencies in determining the eligibility of individuals applying to participate in the CSFP. These guidelines are to be used in conjunction with 7 CFR Part 247. Section 247.9(b)(1) of the CSFP regulations establishes household income limits for women, infants and children that are at or below 185 percent of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines (Poverty Guidelines) published annually by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), but not below 100 percent of these guidelines. (Section 247.9(b)(1) further requires the State agency to consider certain women, infants and children as income-eligible regardless of actual income, including those individuals who receive Food Stamp benefits, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, or Medicaid). Section 247.9(c) requires that elderly persons have household income at or below 130 percent of the Poverty Guidelines. HHS published the revised Poverty Guidelines for 2007 in the Federal Register on January 24, 2007, at 72 FR 3147. To establish annual income limits of 130 and 185 percent, the Poverty Guidelines were multiplied by 1.30 and 1.85, respectively, and the results rounded up to the next whole dollar. From these results, weekly and monthly income limits were calculated.

The attached tables contain the income limits by household size to be used for eligibility determinations in the CSFP. The first table contains the income limits for households residing in the 48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia. Separate income limits for Alaska and Hawaii are established and published annually by HHS. The second table contains the income limits for households residing in Alaska. Pursuant to program regulations, the adjusted elderly income guidelines must be implemented immediately upon receipt of this memorandum, and will remain in effect until notification of revised guidelines in 2008. Each CSFP State agency must implement the adjusted income guidelines for women, infants, and children at the same time that the State agency administering the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) implements the adjusted guidelines in WIC.

CSFP regulations at section 247.9(e)(1) define "income" as gross income before deductions for such items as income taxes, employees' social security taxes, insurance premiums, and bonds. Sections 247.9(e)(2) and (e)(3) list income exclusions, and other income exclusions are provided via policy memoranda available online at the U.S Department of Agriculture's Commodity Food Network website at http://www.commodityfoods.usda.gov/.

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State agencies should direct any questions they may have regarding the income eligibility guidelines to their FNS Regional Offices.

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Attachment

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CSFP INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES--2007

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	Federal Poverty Guidelines - 100%	Women-In	Women-Infants-Children - 185%	- 185%	<u> </u>	Elderly - 130%	
Household Size	Annual	Annual	Monthly	Weekly	Annual	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$10,210	\$18,889	\$1,575	\$364	\$13,273	\$1,107	\$256
2	13,690	25,327	2,111	488	17,797	1,484	343
3	17,170	31,765	2,648	611	22,321	1,861	430
4	20,650	38,203	3,184	735	26,845	2,238	517
5	24,130	44,641	3,721	859	31,369	2,615	604
9	27,610	51,079	4,257	983	35,893	2,992	691
7	31,090	57,517	4,794	1,107	40,417	3,369	778
 80	34,570	63,955	5,330	1,230	44,941	3,746	865
For each add'l			-				
family member, add	3,480	6,438	537	124	4,524	377	87

		4	ALASKA*				
	Federal Poverty Guidelines - 100%	Women-In	Women-Infants-Children - 185%	- 185%	<b>S</b>	Elderly - 130%	
Household Size	Annual	Annual	Monthly	Weekly	Annual	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$12,770	\$23,625	\$1,969	\$455	\$16,601	\$1,384	\$320
2		31,672	2,640	019	22,256	1,855	428
3		39,720	3,310	764	27,911	2,326	537
4	25,820	47,767	3,981	616	33,566	2,798	646
5		55,815	4,652	1,074	39,221	3,269	755
9		63,862	5,322	1,229	44,876	3,740	863
7	38,870	71,910	5,993	1,383	50,531	4,211	972
	43,220	79,957	6,664	1,538	56,186	4,683	1,081
For each add'l							
family member, add	4,350	8,048	671	155	5,655	472	109
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\*CSFP State agencies must implement the adjusted income guidelines for elderly applicants immediately upon receipt. For women, infants, and children applicants, each CSFP State agency must implement the adjusted guidelines at the same time that the WIC State agency implements the adjusted guidelines in WIC.