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SUBJECT: Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Policy Memorandum #10-99:
Single, Permanent Agreements for School Food Authorities Administering
the Child Nutrition Programs

TO: Regional Directors
Child Nutrition Programs
All Regions

This memorandum sets forth the requirement for the use of single, permanent agreements for school food authorities that administer any combination of Child Nutrition Programs under the same administering State agency, as *required* by section 102(d) of Public Law 105-336, the Child Nutrition Reauthorization Act of 1998. It differs from SFSP Policy Memorandum #10-98, issued on May 1, 1998, which *permitted* the use of single, permanent agreements. This memorandum will remain in effect until superseded by regulation or future memorandum.

Section 102(d) of Public Law 105-336 amended section 9(i) of the NSLA (42 U.S.C. 1758(i)) by requiring State agencies which administer any combination of the Child Nutrition Programs under the same State administering agency, to use a single State/local agreement for all programs operated by the school food authority under that State agency. Additionally, multiple programs operated under an alternate State agency must be combined into a single agreement. These agreements must be permanent and may be amended as necessary. Realizing that agreements for this school year have already been signed, we are providing a waiver of this requirement until September 30, 1999.

Please share this information with your State agencies. If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Rothstein or Mandy Briggs.

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