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SUBJECT: Verification – an Overview -- Reauthorization 2004: Implementation
Memo – SP 16

TO: Special Nutrition Programs
All Regions
State Agencies
Child Nutrition Programs
All States

In response to various requests for clarification on verification procedures as mandated in Public Law 108-265, the Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 2004, we are including as attachments the five documents concerning verification that have been released since the summer of 2004. These memos describe activities that schools need to be aware of at the start of School Year 2005-06. We are re-issuing all of these memos at one time so that you may review all of your verification responsibilities from one convenient, easy-to-access location.

The documents are:

- 1) Verification of Income Eligibility – Reauthorization 2004
Implementation Memo SP-5 (August 25, 2004)
- 2) The Food Stamp Program's Role in Directly Certifying School Age Food
Stamp Recipients for the National School Lunch and School Breakfast
Programs (October 8, 2004).
- 3) Direct Certification and Direct Verification of Children in Food Stamp
Households -- Reauthorization 2004: Implementation Memo – SP-8
(November 15, 2004).
- 4) Effect of Current Verification Activity on SY 2005-2006 Verification
Requirements---Reauthorization 2004
Implementation Memo SP-9 (November 19, 2004).
- 5) Verification Activities – Reauthorization 2004 Implementation Memo SP-13
(March 10, 2005).

If you have any questions, State agencies should contact their Regional office.

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Attachments