

Our office will be closed Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup> to observe Memorial Day

### OUR CHILD CARE PROVIDERS ARE SPECIAL

The Child Nutrition Program of Southern California would like to thank all our amazing Providers. Your contributions to the children you care for are truly appreciated.

*Thanks for all you do. . . .*

### STATE REVIEW AND YOU!

State Representatives will be visiting 50 or so (randomly chosen) providers. Per your signed agreement, if you are chosen, you are required to allow the State Representative in your home to conduct a Site Review. State Representatives always have picture identification and in most cases your regular Field Representative will be with them.

### ARE YOU READY?

Is your monthly claim up to date?

Does your helper/assistant know where your monthly claim is?

Have you notified the office if you are going to be away from your home during your meal times we have on file?

Are you always within your license capacity?

### ENROLLMENTS / SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN

Summer will be here soon. Your school age children will be home with you all day and possibly be claimed for a.m. snack and lunch. **Check the copies of your Enrollments and make sure each child's schedule times are the: earliest drop off time and latest pick up time, all possible days and all possible meals.** If not, now is the time to update your Enrollments to ensure you receive reimbursement for the meals you claim during the summer.

### How to update Child Enrollments

**If you claim on-line with WebKIDS**, you will print the "Active" Enrollment Report, make changes and additions in ink. Have the parent verify the information and sign and date the Enrollment. Don't forget to mail the Enrollment Report to our office before summer break begins.

**If you use the "bubble" Enrollment Forms**, you will fill out another Enrollment Form. Complete all sections, remember to bubble the child's correct Child Number and bubble the circle under the child's birth date labeled "Re-enrollment/Update". Have the parent verify the information and sign and date the Enrollment. Don't forget to mail the Enrollment Form to our office before summer break begins.

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April 2010 reimbursement check will be mailed in June 2010\*

May 2010 reimbursement check will be mailed in July 2010\*

June 2010 reimbursement check will be mailed in August 2010\*

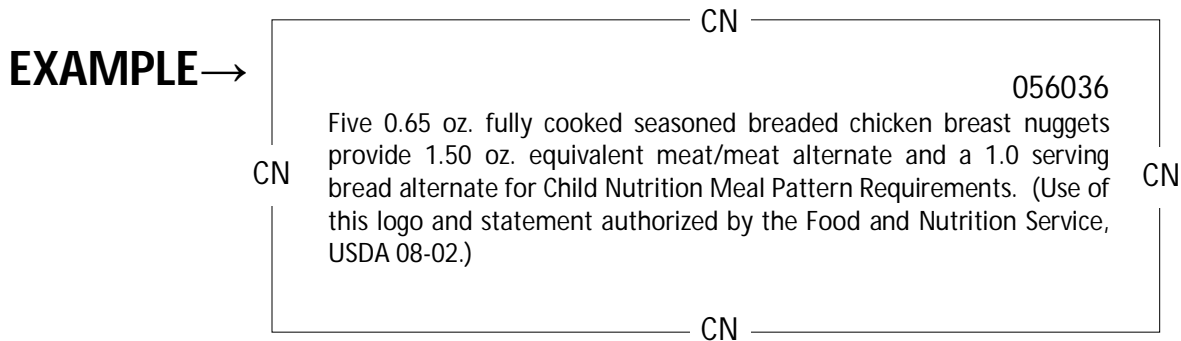
\*Checks are mailed when we receive the money from the California Department of Education

Late Run checks are mailed when we receive late run money from the California Department of Education

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## PROCESSED FOODS ALLOWED FOR LUNCH OR DINNER

The CN labeling program is a voluntary federal labeling program that provides a warranty stating a product's contribution to the Child Nutrition Meal Pattern Requirements. The processed food products you purchase must have a CN label on the packaging to allow reimbursement on the Child & Adult Care Food Program and the amount needed to meet the requirement per age group must be reasonable. *Examples of processed foods might include fish sticks, corn dogs, chicken nuggets, etc.* See the example below for a CN label. Providers must calculate the amount needed for the age ranges they serve to meet the Child Care Food Program requirements (this may take some math). **In most cases, the bread alternate amount ends up being more than required and the Sodium amounts are very high. So, give some thought before serving processed foods; homemade is always better.**



**The above CN Label tells you that 5 chicken nuggets equal 1.50 oz. of meat/meat alternate.**

1-2 years would need 3.33 chicken nuggets to meet the requirement for lunch/dinner

3-5 years would need 5 chicken nuggets to meet the requirement for lunch/dinner

6-12 years would need 6.66 chicken nuggets to meet the requirement for lunch/dinner

There is an excellent website that has an easy, user friendly Serving Size Calculator for CN Labels. You put in the info from the CN Label and it does the math for you! It is a Florida State Child Care Food Program website but the information is good and we can use it as the CN Labels and the Child Care Food Program are pretty much the same nationwide.

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/Family/ccfp/Nutrition/Children/calculator.htm>

## PROVIDERS FOUND SERIOUSLY DEFICIENT IN APRIL 2010 (NOT A GOOD MONTH!)

8 Provider's monthly claims were not up to date

2 Provider's were not home at their scheduled meal time

3 Provider's were over their license capacity

5 Provider's are in propose to terminate for cause