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General Information Memorandum

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TO:

ISD Employees

FROM:

Mary Brogdon, Division Director

RE:

College Students Residing on Campus with Meal Plans – Ineligible for SNAP

DATE:

May 25, 2018

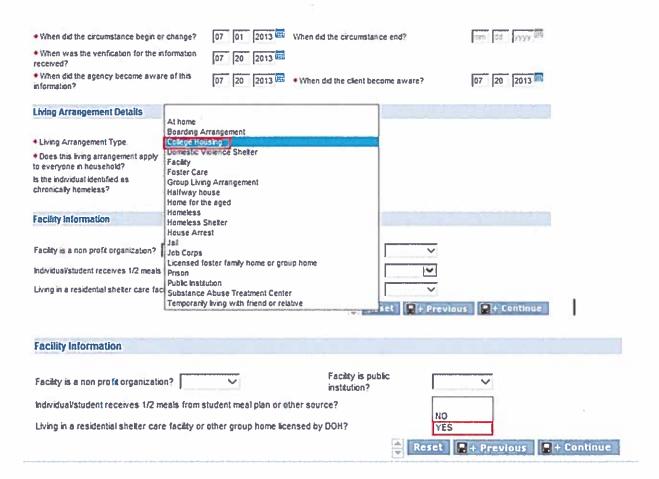
The following policy will be effective in ASPEN on May 30, 2018.

Once it has been determined that a college student is eligible to participate in SNAP per 8.139.400.11 NMAC (SPECIAL MEMBERS), the living arrangement of the college student must be reviewed. Per 8.139.400.11(A)(2)(e) NMAC, students who reside on campus as defined at 34 CFR 668.46(a) and who have opted to or are required to purchase a meal plan which provides 50% or more of their meals are ineligible for SNAP in accordance with 7 CFR 273.1(b)(7)(vi).

College Housing includes but is not limited to dormitories, residential halls and apartments, etc. This regulation applies to the school semester/term, as defined by the institution, to which the student resides on campus and has a meal plan for that semester/term.

A review of NM Universities and Colleges has identified that students residing on campus (in dormitories/residential halls/apartments) are required to purchase meal plans which provide 50% or more of their meals. Client statement indicating college housing with a meal plan is acceptable. If the information is questionable, for example the college student who is residing in college housing states that he/she is not required to purchase a meal plan, this may be questionable, and if questionable, verification shall be requested.

The screenshots of ASPEN below, the Living Arrangements Details and the Facility Information, document the drop down choices available. The red highlighted selections are to be selected when a student is residing on campus (college housing) with a meal plan that provides 50% or more of the student's meals. This selection will deny the SNAP COE for the student that this applies to.



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