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## **PROGRAM INSTRUCTION**

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SUBJECT:	Aging Services Regulations Chapter 4 - Nutrition
CONTENT:	Title 15 Aging Services regulations were signed by the Governor on 9/16/2020 and were effective September 21, 2020.
	Nutrition Services regulations are new, and included in Title 15, Chapter 4. All definitions are contained in Chapter 1, except for the Long-Term Care Ombudsman program.
	Nutrition services are governed by the Older Americans Act, state statute, these regulations, program instructions, and information memoranda.
	Please review the entire chapter for all details. Below is a summary of prominent components of the Nutrition Services regulations.
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## Aging Regulations Reference and Summary: Title 15 Chapter 4 - Nutrition

Prominent Regulation # and Summary	Related P.I. #
<b>(003.01)(A):</b> AAA nutrition programs must serve meals at locations according to the frequency as described in the OAA (5 or more days a week except in a rural area where such frequency is not feasible).	
(003.02): With written permission to the SUA, AAA's may delegate the provision of meals to other entities. The AAA however is still responsible for the compliance of meal provisions with such entity.	
<b>(004.01):</b> AAA's will be reimbursed for one meal per eligible individual per designated meal time. AAA's determine the meal cost, which must be allowable, and reasonable.	
(005.01): AAA's must not duplicate services between NSIP and Medicaid Waiver, Title VI, Title XX, or other governmental sources. Record these reports separately to the SUA to avoid duplication.	
(006.01): NSIP can only reimburse AAA's for meals that are served to eligible individuals, a spouse of a participating eligible individual, volunteers of any age who is directly involved in the meal service, and are derived from domestically produced food.	
(006.02): NSIP funds can only be used to purchase food for meals.	N/A
<b>(007.01)(C):</b> Posted signs at meal sites must include: exit locations, menus, cost sharing information on the full price of the meal and suggested contributions, as well as signs discouraging individuals from taking home potentially hazardous foods.	
(008.01): AAA's must utilize the food safety training program as specified by the SUA, NE food Code, the FDA, local food codes and all applicable laws.	
<b>(009.01):</b> AAA's must collect feedback from individuals about services received, i.e. surveys, questionnaires, etc. If an eligible individual fails to make a reservation and is present for the meal, the AAA must provide a meal to the client if and when sufficient food is available.	SUA-20-PI-39
<b>(010.01)(G):</b> AAA's must have established written procedures for duel control of financial transactions to protect contributions from theft, loss, etc.	N/A
<b>(011.01):</b> AAA's must post signs discouraging individuals from take potentially hazardous foods home, however foods that are not potentially hazardous may go home with the client.	
(012.01): Barriers or shields must be placed on all suggested contribution boxes.	
(013.01): There is no sales tax for meals that are paid at full price. AAA's must provide written instructions for proper handling and re-heating of meals that are taken away from the center.	
(014.01)(A): The AAA must complete an initial determination of home-delivered meal eligibility in person or by telephone.	
(014.01)(N): Provide written handling and re-heating instructions for home-delivered meal recipients.	
(015.01): AAA's must utilize nutrition risk screening and assessments tool as determined by the SUA.	N/A
(016.01): AAA's must utilize required forms from the SUA which are identified in P.I.'s and I.M's.	N/A