



Roundtable news

A bimonthly newsletter on nutrition policy and legislation concerning the child and adult care food program



JULY 2007

CALL TO ACTION

Geraldine Henchy, senior policy analyst for FRAC was a special guest at the Roundtable meeting. She reported that there was an immediate issue we could address during our August Congressional visits members are setting up now. The USDA was mandated to bring the child nutrition meal patterns into compliance with the Dietary Guidelines for Americans. The school meal patterns have been changed and now the USDA is working on CACFP. Some of the changes currently being implemented in school lunch include serving more fruits and vegetables, more whole grains and low-fat dairy products and limiting high-fat and high-sugar foods and beverages. The concern is, Geri reported, that implementing the changes in CACFP will be expensive and could be administratively burdensome. Questions we should be asking are how do we do this? Will there be levels? Will the language say “prefer” or “encourage,” or “require?” Geri pointed out that whatever changes USDA comes up with will fortunately come out as a proposed rule so we will have an opportunity to comment before they are implemented.

But we need a study to determine just how costly it would be to serve a meal that meets the Dietary Guidelines in a child care setting! We were originally going to ask for an Institute of Medicine study, Geri stated, but that became problematic so we are now asking USDA to conduct the study instead. Accordingly, we are asking for language in the final 2008 Agricultural Appropriations Bill, which will be considered shortly.

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South Lake Tahoe, July 20, 2007

CHAIR REPORT

Paula James welcomed the Roundtable and gave the following brief introductory remarks and announcements. She thanked Carol Ledesma, from Choices for Children for arranging the meeting room and refreshments.

Grant Update: Paula was pleased to report that CFPA and the Roundtable did get the grant from the Gilbert Foundation, mentioned in the last newsletter. With this money they will partner with Public Health Foundation Enterprises (PHFE Angels) to look at meal quality in child care in Los Angeles. In addition, CFPA with assist from the Roundtable will receive a grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to look at nutrition in child care throughout the state.

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Geri suggested that as California has such a strong leadership position in the House that we concentrate our advocacy efforts there. Key members in the House to contact include:

- **Sam Farr** – D 17th (Monterey, San Benito & Santa Cruz Cos.) House Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture.
- **Nancy Pelosi** – D 8th (San Francisco) Speaker of the House
- **George Miller** – D 7th (Contra Costa Co.) Chairman of House Ed & Labor Committee
- **Lynn Woolsey** – D 6th (Marin & Sonoma Cos.) House Ed & Labor Committee
- **Susan Davis** – D 53rd (San Diego Co.) House Ed & Labor Committee
- **Linda Sanchez** – D 39th (Whittier, Lakewood, Lynwood, South Gate) House Ed & Labor Committee
- **Howard “Buck” McKeon** – R 25th (Santa Clarita, San Bernardino, Inyo & Mono Cos.) Ranking Member House Ed & Labor Committee.

The timing is perfect Geri pointed out as in August key staff are caucusing. Therefore, in addition to our original goal of putting a face on the CACFP and making them aware of some of the problems we are having out here in the real world, we are now going to ask for study language in the Agricultural Appropriations Bill. Sample wording:

Congress should request a USDA study to determine the CACFP reimbursement

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Child Care Food Program Roundtable is to promote health and well-being of children in child care through providing leadership and advocating for enhanced and expanded CCFP.

needed to serve meals and snacks consistent with the Dietary Guidelines. The study should include the cost of fruit and vegetables, whole grains and low-fat dairy products and limiting high-fat and high-sugar foods and beverages. CACFP provides reimbursement for meals and snacks, nutrition and training to family child care providers and child care centers. Many nutrition habits learned in the preschool years last a lifetime and CACFP provides children with positive nutrition habits.

Please note that the talking points in the legislative kit I put up on our web site have been revised to reflect this new “ask.” See “Special Legislative Kit for August 2007.”

Our motto, Geri suggested, in working with Congress is tell’em, tell’em and tell’em again!

Ed followed up on Geri’s call to action and reminded everyone that we are asking ALL MEMBERS to contact their Congressperson and set up an appointment in AUGUST! As we have stated over the past two meetings and in the past two newsletters, if we want to see changes to the CACFP, if we want less regulation and more reimbursement, we must take some responsibility. We have to see our legislators and ask!

Here are some pointers for making a legislative visit (from FRAC):

- **BEFORE YOUR VISIT:** You need to be calling your Congressperson’s district offices **TODAY** and set up an appointment for some time in August. If you can meet with the Congressperson great, but it is not necessary; you can meet with their staff. When you call

tell them the name of your organization and that you sponsor the Child and Adult Care Food Program in their district. You might tell them how many homes, children, families (constituents) you represent. Tell them you have some important information to share with them about the program. If they ask, tell them you only need a few minutes of their time.

- During the visit it will be very helpful to have talking points, a brief description of your concerns and recommended solutions, and pictures or quotes from your providers/centers, children or families to share. To prepare your packet, it is recommended that you start with the **“Special Legislative Kit for August 2007”** on our web site. It has talking points (including Geri’s issue about studying costs of implementing the Dietary Guidelines), a one-pager on role of child care in obesity debate, a one-pager on CACFP as a quality indicator, a very graphic and descriptive piece on “disappearing CACFP in CA,” and a one-page “ask” on “Fixing the CACFP.” The last two pages on the Roundtable you should remove and substitute something personal about your program (and remember - their constituents). Of course you can prepare your own kit that says and shows the same impacts but personalized to your program; use ours as a guide.
- **RIGHT BEFORE YOUR VISIT:** If you are going as a team, be sure to decide before hand who will lead. That person will make introductory remarks and ask team members to introduce themselves. As a team or alone, keep in mind the purpose of your visit and have your act organized. Be on time and be patient.
- **DURING YOUR VISIT:** Determine the amount of time you will have up front so you can gauge the level of detail to get into. Stay on topic; keep the presentation simple and straight forward. Explain how the talking points impact your specific program – their constituents. Be specific when telling them what you want; use the “ask” we have prepared.

- **AFTER YOUR VISIT:** Be sure to send a thank you letter for the meeting. Send any relevant information requested during the meeting. Add your Congressperson to your mailing lists for newsletters, invitations to events, etc. Invite your Congressperson to visit your program or tour your agency. Keep in touch with the Congressperson or their staff with any new developments. Be sure to let us know about your visit!

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As the Gilbert grant is short term it will be started first, followed by the RWJF grant. Paula concluded by stating that together these grants should give us some great information on nutrition quality in child care throughout the state that can be used to craft legislation to make any necessary improvements.

New Food Stamp Outreach Materials: Paula briefly advised members that USDA has some great new Food Stamp nutrition education materials that can be used for child care. She especially highlighted those on fruits and vegetables. (*Editor: I took a look at www.fns.usda.gov and did find some great resources under their “Loving Your Family, Feeding the Future” campaign. Click on this and follow the links. There are materials under a number of topics including “Eat Healthy Every Day,” “Be Physically Active Every Day,” “Balance Your Lifestyle” and “Keep Your Food Safe.” Play around on the site and check it out. There are truly a lot of great materials.*)

First 5: Paula reported with enthusiasm that First 5 is increasingly more interested and active in the area of nutrition and physical activity. There could very well be some funding opportunities for sponsors willing to get connected in their local area. Check it out!

GERALDINE HENCHY – REPORT FROM WASHINGTON, DC

Paula was pleased to introduce Geri Henchy from FRAC, a long time friend of the CACFP and the Roundtable. She had agreed to come out and talk to

us about the recent paperwork reduction task force efforts in Washington, DC as well as an urgent legislative action alert (mentioned above in headline article). Geri said that she was last out to a Roundtable meeting in 2001. She complimented us for our leadership and commitment and said the Roundtable is a model for the nation. She would like to see more collaboration between sponsors, state agencies and USDA Regional Offices like we have here.

Paperwork Reduction Update: Geri pointed out that the last Child Nutrition Reauthorization bill in 2004 required the USDA do something about paperwork reduction. Thus the task force was created. A final report was issued in February at the FRAC Conference. The USDA then decided to reconvene the task force in a June 4-5, 2007 meeting to “discuss FNS commitments and progress to date on paperwork reduction and to clarify some of the recommendations, including legislative recommendations.” Geri and Paula were in attendance.

Geri briefly reiterated that the task force recommendations were made in three broad areas: applications, recordkeeping & reporting, and oversight & monitoring. She said that the USDA was communicating at all levels looking for best practices from the states. And they have begun issuing a series of policy memoranda to implement the recommendations.

Geri and Paula took the opportunity to make recommendations for lessening the burden of the regulations. Geri communicated with USDA the results of the National CACFP Forum’s block claiming survey. Respondents felt that it did not work and was not an effective management tool. Paula suggested that USDA consider following the money and target only larger homes. Even if small homes block claim there is very little money at risk. The National CACFP Forum is following up with USDA on a definition of “small” homes. Geri said they then discussed five day reconciliation and how it had become so much more complicated than everyone had originally expected. Paula recommended to USDA that one way to lessen the

burden would be to conduct the test on only 1 of the 3 annual visits - an unannounced visit. The USDA was somewhat receptive to both recommendations, Geri reported. However the problem with some of our recommendations may be that USDA is answerable to OMB who is much tougher to please.

(Editor: Find a copy of the Paperwork Reduction Task Force Report at: www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/care/Regs-Policy/pdf-policymemo/2007/CACFPaperworkReductionReport.pdf. Find USDA’s policy memoranda on implementation of some of the recommendations at: www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/care/Regs-Policy/PolicyMemoranda.htm. See numbers 02, 05, 07 and 11-2007).

CFPA REPORT

On July 17 Ken Hecht submitted the following report:

California FY 2008 Budget: The state budget is stuck. The state constitution provides that the budget be enacted by June 30 each year. Here it is July 17, and the two (or three) sides don’t seem to be even getting close. Unlike 2006, this is a tough budget year, with a large and getting-larger deficit, so there are very tough choices to be made.

To make matters worse, one day after the Governor’s May Revision to the budget was released, the Legislative Analyst’s Office noted a \$366 million “technical error” in the Prop. 98 budget - the part that funds education, including some child care nutrition. The impact has included potential loss of new state funding for improved nutrition in “child development programs” that are part of the public school world and funded out of Prop. 98. (The bulk of child care nutrition takes place in agencies that do not receive Prop. 98 funds, but non-Prop. 98 funding has always been found to fund these facilities.) One of the few Prop. 98 items to remain in the budget, as the Legislature seems likely to pass it, is a state reimbursement increase for free and reduced-price school meals from 16.53 cents per meal to 21 cents.

Bills: SB 20, authored by Senator Tom Torlakson, recently cleared the Assembly Education

Committee and next needs to pass through Assembly Appropriations. SB 20 has been amended so that it now contains the Governor's chosen nutrition improvements for schools – elimination of trans fats, no frying by schools and school districts and use of healthy oils (no tropical oils) exclusively at any stage of the preparation. These improvements would be accompanied by the reimbursement increase for schools.

SB 20 also deals with child care nutrition. At this point, however, the bill merely “encourages” (does not require) child care providers to eliminate trans fats, not to fry foods at their facilities and to serve food prepared in healthy oils only. While it is not entirely clear, it seems that child care facilities are not going to receive a reimbursement increase and therefore are not being required to make any nutrition changes.

Needless to say, if that is what happens, it is a major disappointment. Child care nutrition will be recognized in California legislation for the first time, and that is good, but the loss of the reimbursement increment and reduction of the nutrition improvements to no more than objects of encouragement are not satisfactory outcomes. In fact, they are simply places to start for solid legislation and increased reimbursement next year.

Finally, it looks as if California Fresh Start (SB 281, 2005) and AB 92, the breakfast mandate in severe-need schools, have been lost, also. Not a great year.

New Staff: Paula reported that CFPA has hired Pilar Abascal. She has most recently been in the Peace Corps and will be working on child care issues short term until she goes off to medical school. Her father was one of the founding attorneys for the California Rural Legal Assistance and was responsible for the “Moscone Nickel” – state meal reimbursement. Marion Standish recommended her.

ROUNDTABLE REPORT

New Provider Survey: At the last Advisory Committee meeting in May members discussed doing a quick survey of new family child care

providers to determine what improvements in their meal quality could be determined from participation on the food program. This effort was thought of in support of the Gilbert and Robert Wood Johnson Foundation grants (mentioned above) and could also be used anecdotally in our legislative advocacy efforts and/or in approaching potential funders such as First 5 or Kaiser. Doris briefly shared with members a survey document that could be used during August and September to capture the pre-test information on a sampling of breakfasts and lunches planned by newly enrolled providers before they have been trained on the CACFP meal pattern. A post-test can be conducted at a later time. Members wishing to participate can download a copy of the survey form from our web site (one was also attached to an email announcement). Completed survey forms should be sent to Ed by October 15.

NUTRITION SERVICES DIVISION

Barbara Longo welcomed the participants and along with Janice Hunt gave the state report.

Staffing Update: Barbara stated that finally after 18 months they have been able to fill the vacant Assistant Director's position. Brenda Padilla has over 20 years experience in school district food service operations, most recently as Director at Chico Unified. She has experience with legislative advocacy serving on the California School Nutrition Association Public Policy and Legislative Committee. Having such an extensive background in the school nutrition area will allow Brenda time to focus more of her learning toward CACFP. Barbara also reported that they have hired an analyst to replace Karen Gillham and assist Ruth Cardiel on the Family Day Care Home Team. Laura Sauer starts on August 6. She will attend the September Roundtable meeting in Los Angeles area as well as the conference in October in Sacramento.

Janice Hunt reported that the Field Services Unit has also hired new staff. Laurie Strickland is a new CNC for the Bay Area; Mary Ryan Platt will be working with schools on implementation of SB 12 and 965 for one year and then will be CNC for the Central Valley. Diane Put and Elsie Kuwato have

been reassigned half-time to CNIPS so Sasha Perez has been hired to fill in behind them. She has CACFP experience working for both CCRC and Options.

Strategic Assessment for Improving Nutrition in

Child Care: Barbara reported that this project is a result of Superintendent O'Connell's commitment to promoting student health. The Superintendent has allocated Child Care Block Grant "quality" funds to improve the quality of nutrition services in child care programs. The Roundtable will join with other child care stakeholders including CDE's Nutrition Services and Child Development Divisions, DSS Child Care Licensing Division, DHS' WIC, Cancer Prevention & Nutrition, and 5-A-Day, as well as the First Five Commission. The goal is to look at the current system and policies and make recommendations for improving child care nutrition in California. The first meeting is August 8. Paula James and Genevieve Pyeatt, from Choices for Children, will represent the Roundtable

Training: Barbara reminded members that the Information Alert on mandatory training for family day care home (FDCH) sponsors just went out. If you did not receive it, be sure to let NSD know. They are trying very hard to get every sponsor's correct contact email information into their system. If you did not receive it, she pointed out that some sponsor's software may be treating their email announcements as junk mail or spam so be sure to correct your software. The online training is being offered July 16 to August 31. Feedback from the training will be discussed at the next meeting in September. Barbara concluded by reminding members that the training being offered at this year's Roundtable Conference in Sacramento is actually mandatory FDCH training for Federal Fiscal Year 2008.

Renewals: The 2007-08 renewal packets were mailed out by bulk mail, Barbara reported. Members should receive them upon their return from the Roundtable meeting the week of July 23. If you do not receive them, email or call Ruth Cardiel. The budget documents are being held up for the release of the new state meal reimbursement

rate, which must wait for a new state budget. Even after the new state budget is signed it still takes a while for the reimbursement rate to be calculated, Barbara warned. If the delay goes on much longer they might release the budget documents without the state meal rate. They hesitate to do so, however, as that would require a revised budget from everyone.

Management Bulletin Update: Barbara reported that the long anticipated Management Bulletin on categorical eligibility had been held for clarification of whether WIC would be considered eligible or not. It turns out that WIC in California is not categorically eligible because, even though it uses 185% of the poverty level, it uses net income versus gross - which is required by USDA. This fact had taken some time to clarify. A Management Bulletin on transfer of sponsor ownership is being worked on now with the Accountability Panel. Finally, Barbara reported that they have been working very hard aggregating the All Points Bulletins issued by USDA and sending them out on the listserv, as a hard copy, and posting them to the web. You might receive duplicates, Barbara pointed out, as Ruth works hard to get the best email for each institution and sponsoring organization into the system. It is critical for all sponsors to have email and a viable email address.

CNIPS Update: Barbara reported that CNIPS is still coming. It has been delayed but it is coming. There have been some challenges getting the Summer and Schools systems on board. When testing is completed they hope to phase them in February. The CACFP will follow. She reassured us the Roundtable will be invited to participate in the JAD planning sessions for the CACFP system.

Dataquest Update: Barbara reported that at the Advisory Committee meeting on Thursday, members had pointed out some problems with the Dataquest system for pulling up school information. Some schools were not listed under the correct school district or district and/or school names may not be correct or exactly the same as in the past. She reminded us that NSD is not the keeper of this database but will commit

to escalating the problems to the appropriate division and doing all that NSD can do to get a better, more useable product. She stated that if a sponsor is experiencing problems they should let her know by email immediately.

WebHX Issue Policy Discussion: Barbara asked Ed to begin the discussion by restating the issue. He reported that recently the Roundtable has been made aware from sponsors during or after their administrative reviews by the state that there may be an issue regarding the use of online claiming systems, such as Minute Menu's WebHX. If a family child care provider is using such a system to record her daily meal counts (and menus) and submit her monthly claim, must she also maintain, retain or submit to the sponsor any back-up paper systems used in conjunction with the online claim? Members have expressed a concern that online claimers should not be treated differently than those that complete traditional documents or scanable forms. The only way to know if providers using the latter systems are recording meal counts daily is by inspection during an on-site visit by either the sponsor or the state reviewer. If the forms are up-to-date during the visit then the provider is in compliance (whether they were completed the day before the visit or not). The forms themselves are then mailed to the sponsor at the end of the month. No other records are retained or submitted. The issue with online systems is that some providers, for one reason or another, may not go online every day to record their meal counts and/or menus. Instead, they record the information daily on a paper document of some form and the information is then transcribed onto the online form at a time of their choosing. In such cases, state agency reviewers have been telling sponsors they must require the provider to submit the actual daily records used and then retain them for audit or review purposes for a period of three years. This situation is further complicated by the fact that some online claiming systems have a report that tells a sponsor (or the state reviewer) when the provider went online to enter their daily data. Such a system would tell when a provider recorded the data online but not whether the provider may have first recorded the data daily on a paper back-up system. Tom Clark,

from Minute Menu, suggested that a computer's clock can be changed rendering such a report inconclusive. A member wondered if the software did not have the capability to run such a report, what was his alternative - would he be able to treat such providers the same as those not claiming online?

Barbara stated that the bottom line is that the requirement in the regulations is for a provider to record her meal counts daily regardless of the system used. If a provider uses an online claiming system then they must record their meal counts daily to avoid having to submit the paper back-up documents. One member pointed out that they have seen back-up systems used even for scanable forms and wondered why those documents were not required? Others suggested that even with the old paper systems some providers recorded their meal counts on one document and transcribed them onto the claim later. In those cases the back-up paperwork had not been required. Janice suggested that wherever a provider records the meal counts daily, those records are the source document that must be sent in. The goal she stated is to get all providers to record their meal counts daily on whatever system they may be using. There followed a great deal of discussion about the issue.

Tim Thole finally suggested that the regulations were not written for a world of online claiming, but the intent is still that the meal count be written down by the end of each day. The Department's position is that if you have information you have to use it. But he also said we have venues for getting the current interpretation of the rules changed. We need to approach this nationally from the Forum or Minute Menu level. Paula questioned whether California should be leading the way in implementation of these requirements. We might be better served, she suggested, by letting the dust settle on this before we aggravate any more providers or set up huge banks of additional file cabinets. WebHX has been a great boon to the program recently and it should be allowed to progress. This must be an issue in many other states. Why is it an issue only here in California? What are they doing? Tim suggested that all WRO

states are following similar policies. Janice asked Tim if California had an option of not following the policy now that the issue had been raised to the national level; Tim responded that California did not have the option of not following the policy. Barbara concluded by stating that they will need to discuss this further internally and with USDA.

"Ledger Sheet" Issue Policy Discussion: After reading USDA's All Points Bulletin CACFP 08-2007 on documentation of Tier I eligibility, in response to release of the CCAP report, Ed had asked USDA WRO for further guidance on the subject issue. The bulletin, in his opinion, did not go far enough in describing the documentation and verification requirements for providers submitting so-called "ledger sheets" when IRS records are not available to clarify their day care business earnings. Since this was such a prominent finding in the report Ed had expected more guidance from USDA.

The bulletin states that, "the 'ledger sheets' shown [in the report] are, by themselves, inadequate to document a FDCH's tier I eligibility because:

- They account for income derived from child care, but do not address income from other household members; and
- In many cases, they were not independently verified by the sponsor, amounting to 'self-declaration' of eligibility by the provider."

Ed asked for clarification of the second bullet. Are sponsors supposed to verify all day care income and expenses from a "ledger sheet?" These might include, in addition to parent's checks for day care, documentation of household expenses such as mortgage payments, insurance, utilities, etc. Ed wondered if it is reasonable to expect a provider to submit all of that information for verification purposes. Tim suggested that a sponsor might want to sample some of the income and expenses from the ledger - perhaps 70% of the highest value expenses and income.

Provider Transfer from Terminating Sponsor Policy Discussion: Barbara reported that the

Roundtable Advisory Committee had asked for clarification of the review requirements for providers transferred to another sponsor during a sponsor termination. Specifically of interest is the requirement to review "new" providers within the first four weeks. Many times when a sponsor is going out of business dozens if not hundreds of home care providers could be involved. The workload implications can be staggering. Members wondered if such providers, already familiar with the requirements of CACFP, really needed to be treated like a new provider. Barbara stated that they are working with USDA to get clarification of the issue.

Disabled "Child" Age Limit Policy Discussion:

A sponsor had asked what the age limit cutoff is for a disabled "child" at a day care home with other children in care. The USDA's FNS Instruction 776-3 states that (an) individual(s) with a physical or mental disability may participate if they are 19 or over as long as they are enrolled and the majority are 18 or under. The problem is that the participants must meet the local licensing requirements. In California licensing puts the age limit at 18.

Discussion of this issue brought up an issue regarding 10 year olds addressed in Management Bulletin 06-219. Barbara agreed to research it for the next meeting.

USDA REPORT

Tim Thole, State Program Manager for USDA, WRO, gave the following report.

Staffing Update: Tim reiterated from the last meeting that he leads a team of 4 that are responsible for all of the child nutrition programs in California. He stated that they have made the decision, as the result of a retreat 2 months ago, to start going out to assist on California state reviews. The staff wants to get to know the problems at the local level and work more closely with advocacy groups. He said they want to know the current policy issues and invited us and the state to share them.

Policy Update: Tim also reported that they plan on working more closely with advocates to try to reshape policy memoranda. They want to have the answers we need. Two new policy clarifications working their way through the system include one on ledger sheets and another on WebHX (issues we discussed today).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR THE NEXT ROUNDTABLE MEETING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2007

9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Options Food Program

13100 Brooks Drive #200

Baldwin Park, CA 91706

CONFERENCE REPORT

The Roundtable's 16th Annual Conference, "CACFP: A CAPITAL IDEA" is preparing to kick off October 15-17, 2007, in Sacramento, California. Registration materials were mailed on July 5; you should have received them. If not, you may download them from our web site, under the Conference tab.

TRAINING TOPIC: To be Determined

LODGING INFORMATION:

- Hampton Inn, 311 E. Huntington Dr., Arcadia (is a great value and good location near several restaurants) 626-574-5600.

Conference due dates to keep in mind:

- August 24 – scholarship applications due.
- September 1 – early bird registration deadline.
- September 1 – hospitality event registration deadline – Suspects Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre aboard the Delta King.
- September 14 – hotel registration deadline for group rate.

DIRECTIONS: Suggest you look this up on Map-Quest

- From LAX: Take 105 east (16 miles); take 605 north (14 miles); exit Lower Azusa Rd./Los Angeles St; keep right on Rivergrade Rd towards Rivergrade Rd; turn right onto Brooks Dr; fast right into first parking lot.
- From Burbank Airport: Take 5 south (9 miles); take 134 east (4 miles); take 210 east (11 miles); take 605 south (4 miles); exit Lower Azusa Rd/Los Angeles St. (turn right); turn left onto Lower Azusa Rd, then immediately bear left onto ramp; keep right onto Rivergrade Rd towards Rivergrade Rd; turn right onto Brooks Dr; fast right into first parking lot.
- From Ontario Airport: Take 10 west (22 miles); take 605 north (5 miles); exit Lower Azusa Rd/Los Angeles St; keep right on Rivergrade Rd towards Rivergrade Rd; turn right onto Brooks Dr; fast right into first parking lot.

Don't Miss Out!

WEB SITES FOR July 2007:

- [www.healthyeatingresearch.org/uploads/Promoting GoodNutritionResearchBrief.pdf](http://www.healthyeatingresearch.org/uploads/PromotingGoodNutritionResearchBrief.pdf) - Good source document entitled "Promoting Good Nutrition and Physical Activity in Child-Care Settings." From Healthy Eating Research – a National Program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.
- www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/care/Regs-Policy/pdf-policymemo/2007/CACFPpaperworkReductionReport.pdf - Paperwork Reduction Task Force report.
- www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/care/Regs-Policy/PolicyMemoranda.htm - USDA Policy Memoranda.

The **Advisory Committee Meeting** is at the same location, Wednesday, September 19, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM.

Call Terry Talavera at (626) 338-4165 x 628 for more information.