

Wildwood – May 2018

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President's Message

USDA has recently released two policy memos that we are very excited about. The first is about how to identify whole grain-rich bread/bread alternates. At least one whole grain-rich item must be served every day in the new meal pattern. If you serve a whole grain item daily, then you have met these criteria. We will offer workshops this summer that will make it easier to identify whole grain-rich items. We will also be distributing reference material as well.

The second policy memo simplifies the 5-day reconciliation process. The 5-day reconciliation is one of the integrity checks we are required to do at every home visit. Your monitor must verify the number of children enrolled in your program, daily attendance and how many children ate meals and snacks. As you know, this has taken up quite a bit of the monitors time while in your home. We anticipate this new policy will save time during our visits.

We are reorganizing some of the Colorado Field Reps caseloads. Effective May 1, 2018, Dree Anderson will be taking over the homes in Larimer County from Cindy Caraway. Cindy has a huge caseload, and this will lighten up her visit schedule. Dree lives in the Greeley area and was a home care provider before joining Wildwood.

With summer almost upon us, please remember to notify your Field Rep if you are not going to be open during a regularly claimed meal or snack. This is so important! It is very discouraging, for a Field Rep to drive a long distance to conduct an unannounced visit, and no one is home. You can call, text, or email your Field Rep or mark your calendar in KidKare. Thank you for staying on top of this. We truly appreciate it!!

Due to our resources being utilized in opening an office in Wyoming, Wildwood will not be hosting a provider conference this year. We just learned that USDA will be giving grants to state agencies to provide training, but no dates have been determined yet. In addition to the free training on our website, you can also visit our website store to purchase further training. Beginning this summer, we will begin to schedule workshops in your area. Keep an eye on our Facebook page and website for upcoming dates, times, and locations.

As always, do not hesitate to call if you have any questions.

Kati Wagner

The last day that we can accept original March 2018 claims for Wyoming is May 31, 2018

The last day that we can accept original February 2018 claims or upward revisions for Colorado is May 24, 2018

Claims Corner

Claims are due in our office by the 5th of the month to guarantee on time payment of your claim. Manual Claimers: don't forget to sign each and every worksheet.

Manual Claimers: all children, including infants, need to be marked on the attendance worksheet. We can't add attendance on your paperwork after your claim is sent to our office.

We no longer use Child Numbers, so refer to the child by their name. Manual Claimers: please use last names on worksheet.

When you write your school out notes on the Claim Information Form please use the child's name rather than the child number.

All claims must be mailed to the Colorado office: Wildwood CACFP, 12200 E Briarwood Ave, #175, Centennial CO 80112. Effective May 1, 2018 the Evanston PO Box will be closed.

We appreciate your efforts!!

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Colorado Home Care Providers and Centers

Standard Precautions has changed! Your current Standard Precautions is still good until it expires. This new course has been written by the Colorado Office of Early Childhood, Department of Human Services. This course is mandatory for anyone that must have Standard Precautions. We now have this training available as a self-paced, online course or a correspondence course!

Be aware the online test can only be taken Monday - Friday 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

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