

Southwest eNews

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Please **DO NOT** call 9-1-1 for information on COVID-19. [Click Here](#) for the latest from Texas DSHS. You can contact DSHS directly by dialing 2-1-1 (option 6), from 7 a.m. – 8 p.m. daily, or by emailing them at coronavirus@dshs.texas.gov

Hello Southwest Providers,

During these most challenging times, we want to extend our gratitude to you for your continuing service to children and families. We want to assure you that Southwest Human Development remains committed to supporting you in this most critical service you provide to families that are on the front lines protecting the health and safety of our communities and providing critical healthcare services.

As you most likely have heard on the news Texas has implemented “Stay At Home” (also called “Shelter-In-Place) orders. For more information visit [Texas.gov](#) | [Governor Abbott Issues Executive Order](#)

These “Stay-At-Home” orders have implications for childcare, including childcare homes. Childcare operations are permitted to operate under these “Stay-At-Home” orders; however, each local government’s orders have specific and unique characteristics that define what childcare operations can operate and under what conditions. Generally speaking, these orders will allow childcare to operate on a limited basis; services are generally limited to families whose parents work in an “essential” service (such as healthcare, public safety, grocery stores, etc.). This means you may be prohibited from serving some or all of your families. In addition, some of the orders limit group size below licensed capacity. Lastly, the duration of these orders may vary by jurisdiction. This is why It is essential that you read the details of the orders for your city or county.

Southwest Human Development is continuing its operations and is available to assist you with your questions and meal reimbursement claim. The February

claim has been processed; checks were mailed on March 23 and direct deposit payments hit on March 25, We will process March claims in April and are presuming for now that March claims will be paid on time at the end of April.

The office will remain "open" during the "Stay-At-Home" Order due to the nature of work providing essential services for childcare. You can continue to contact the office by phone or email, as well as contact your monitor by phone or email. Contact information for the office 1-800-369-9082 or info@swhuman.org

Many of you have let us know you have temporarily closed your childcare home. Please be sure to let us know you are closed or will be closing and when you anticipate re-opening (if you haven't already informed us). Operations that have indicated they have temporarily closed due to COVID-19 related issues are not displayed being displayed on the licensing website. However, they are not permanently closed in the system. If you are closed and want to re-open and this is allowed by your local health officials and permissible under your local city or county emergency orders; You can contact your local licensing representative regarding their status. In addition, if you wish to re-open to serve families of essential workers you may sign up through the Frontline Child Care website. Information for this website can be found on [here](#)

Again, we are grateful at Southwest Human Development for the services you provide to children and families. Childcare is an essential service during normal circumstances, and has become even more essential for the limited number of families that must continue being out in the community protecting all our health and safety. Please let us know if you need anything or if we can do anything for you.

Covid-19 Links

[CDC Guidance for Child Care](#)

[CACFP Social Distancing Webinar](#)

[FNS Response to COVID-19](#)

[Texas Health and Human Services Covid-19 Page](#)

[Coronavirus Loans for Small Business](#)

[Texas Workforce Commission Covid-19 info page](#)

Kidkare is now offering eForms! Enroll kids and have the parents sign and activate them all online! If you are interested email the Austin office at info@swhuman.org or call us at 1-

800-369-9082 to enable your account! [Click Here](#) to learn more about eForms.

How do I access my 2019 Tax Report?: If you claim on Paper Forms you were mailed your Tax Report with your December payment. If you claim on KidKare you can download it by Clicking Reports, then Claim Statements and then Tax Report. If you need a physical copy mailed to you call the Austin office at 1-800-369-9082.

Food Program Resources:

[CACFP Crediting Handbook](#)

[CACFP Reimbursement Rates](#)

[Income Standards For Determining Program Eligibility](#)

[WIC Eligibility Information](#)

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[Annual Training - Online Portal](#)

[Infant Feeding Guide Order Form](#) or [Click Here](#) to view PDF. Your Local Rep can also drop one off at your next visit!

Interested in Direct Deposit? [Click Here](#)

[Provider Handbook \(Español\)](#) | [Annual Training Packet \(Español\)](#)

[Help with Scantron Forms](#)

[Click here for Upcoming Workshops](#)

Upcoming Workshop Dates: All Workshops have been cancelled

until the end of May.

Team Nutrition

Team Nutrition is an initiative of the USDA Food and Nutrition Service to support the child nutrition programs through training and technical assistance for foodservice, nutrition education for children and their caregivers, and school and community support for healthy eating and physical activity.

[Team Nutrition Resources for Child Care](#)

News From Cacfp.org:

Learn more @www.cacfp.org/resources/coronavirus

Child Nutrition Monitoring

Meal Pattern Waiver

Parent/Guardian Meal Pickup Waiver

Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Data Waiver

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We have canceled the National Child Nutrition Conference scheduled for April 2020.

We are asking the USDA FNS to support the CACFP community in several ways during this pandemic. One way is to limit the spread of COVID-19 by modifying monitoring requirements.

We ask that you [share other concerns with us here](#) as we advocate for flexibilities in the program during this time.

Finally, we encourage you to remind everyone of these following key steps in the prevention of any virus:

- Wash your hands frequently.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you sneeze or cough.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched and used objects and surfaces.
- Limit one-on-one contact (hugs, handshakes, etc.) with individuals.
- Avoid contact with people who are sick, or who appears to have symptoms of a respiratory illness.
- Stay home if you're feeling under the weather.

Going stir crazy? Spring weather doesn't always cooperate around the country so put on your boots, carry umbrellas, apply sunscreen and get outside! Just 30 minutes of fresh air will be sure to put smiles on everyone's faces. [#CACFP](#)

ABC Veggie and Fruit fact cards combine letter and color recognition, recipes and fun facts all in one! [#CACFP](#) | [Download Here](#)

[Click Here](#) for this Months Parent Provider Connection Letter!

Mealtime Memo:

Mealtime Memo for Child Care offers information for child care providers participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program, focused on good nutrition for young children. 100282

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