CACFP Pop-Up - CA State Meal Reimbursement Carry Over Q&A Box	
Question	Answer(s)
Does Contract apply to SFA's doing At-RiskI am not sure if I have seen the survey.	Yes! Here is the link CACFP Statewide Contractor Survey Link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SMRpopup
For CSPP when do you recommend meal benefit forms to be completed when the program is open year round and enrolling at any time?	Please contact your county analyst for this specific guidance. If you do not know who that is, you can identify them by going to CNIPS Download Forms ID 1
Will the power point presentation be available after the workshop? I could see this being of beenfit for our finance staff that are not on this call.	Due to ADA requirements and the need to provide this information as quickly as possible, the PP will not be on the CDSS web site, but we have provided the RT a copy of the presentation.
Does UFAP only apply to DCH?	Yes it does
Hello, we are a school district that implements the At-Risk program (supper program) does this apply to our program?	It does not - you will need to comply with keeping your Nonprofit account at or below the 3 months cost average
Thanks Sean. Any memo I can review to make sure we comply.	I know we do - but can't recall off the top of my head (sorry). Reach out to your County Analyst and they should be able to point it out to you faster than i can.
It is a fact that all school districts in CA are providing free meals moving forward or is it only during pandemic?	There is state universal meals legislation that applies to the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs.
My understanding is that state meal is not under the same regulatory restrictions that of federal \$. That being said the sponsor might actually have carryover from federal \$ but the state meal money could be used for resources and training that the federal regulations prohibit. For example federal money may not be used to purchase foods that could be used for training but statemeal could.	Great observation - one caveat is that when the SMR was reinstated, the trailer bill specifically states it for meals served. When the DSS negotiated to add the admin carve out, it was under the limited proposition that it be for admin costs that were going unmet through the federal reimbursements
If a sponsor retains 30% for admin expenses, they will have to report this amount and it will be deducted from federal monthly claim, right?	Can you please forward this question to me? Jeannine.Cook@dss.ca.gov. We aren't sure what you are asking and we need to clarify. Thank you.
where do we get those excel sheets?	The excel spreadsheets are used internally, and uploaded and available in the budget section of the CACFP application packet in the CNIPS.
This is related to meals servedfor example the whole grains requirement benefits the meal service and the training for that would include providers receiving a box of quinoa paid for by SM and then of course the training either virtual or in person could be paid for by Federal	
Can this Excel sheet be shared?	The excel spreadsheets are used internally, and uploaded and available in the budget section of the CACFP application packet in the CNIPS.
How do you record the State meal reimb in the costs report submitted with the claims?	Please contact your assigned claims specialist for more information regarding claims for reimbursement.
But you stated the SMR is unrestricted, so should allow for purchasing food for trainings.	Please contact your assigned DCH specialist for allowable and unallowable costs in regards to SMR.

Thanks Josh but the file does not upload.	Hi Terry, DCH sponsors may contact the assigned DCH specialist for the budget spreadsheet as well.
If a sponsor retains 30% of CA admin expenses, they will have to report this amount and it will be deducted from a monthly federal claim, right?	live answered
Example: December 21, 2021 total sponsor's admin expenses was \$20,000. State Reimbursement retained is \$2,000. A sponsor will get Net Cost Reimbursement in the amount of \$18,000.	
What are the chances of making the excel spread sheet part of the renewal process? Using a word document is very difficult when completing a budget.	live answered
How do we get SMR cost approved?	live answered
Not part of this subject. Who is responsible for notifying a sponsor when their county specialist changes? Is the sponsor supposed to check the list?	live answered
Can the 30% SMR be retained over the years if you don't use? or, if not used, you pay the entire SMR to the providers? We don't spend our entire federal budget, let alone these additional funds.	The SMR does not need to be returned to the state. However, if you don't have a need for it, then you ought to provide to your providers. If you forecast a deficit for the next year, then you should retain in order to avoid having a deficit
When we received the retro July-Sept SMR check, the check indicated it was 21-22 funds so we recorded into our October GL. Conversation sounds like some recorded those funds into the prior year books, 20-21. The 21-22 funds noted on the check was misleading if we were to record those funds into the prior plan year.	live answered
How can you used SMR admin for July and August if costs approvals are not retroactive?	live answered
You are not alone! CNIPS should be correct and updated. This is very confusing and should be included with budget training for fiscal staff!	live answered