COVID-19 AND CHILD NUTRITION

DO'S AND DONT'S

- Ask your state to apply for the area eligibility waiver, so that you can start providing more meal sites.
- Provide multiple meals at a time in areas where it may be difficult for families to get to meal sites.
- Ensure families have enough to eat by asking your state to participate in Pandemic-EBT and Emergency SNAP allotments.
- Encourage operators who participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) to provide breakfast and lunch to participating families during closures.

- Deny meals to caregivers who show up at meal sites without their children. The USDA permits caregivers to pick up meals without children.
- Forget to collaborate with local food banks to provide groceries to the entire household.
- Assume meal site volunteers know how to safely distribute meals. Provide guidance.
- Don't increase the risk of infection by centralizing food preparation and distribution. Decentralize and engage multiple kitchens.

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