TO: Commissioners of

Maintenance

Social Services

DATE: JANUARY 8, 1990

SUBJECT: Food Stamp Program Treatment of Child Care Food

Program (CCFP) Payments

SUGGESTED

DISTRIBUTION: Income Maintenance Directors

Food Stamp Directors

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ATTACHMENTS: There are no attachments to this INF.

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This release clarifies food stamp policy regarding the treatment of Child Care Food Program (CCFP) payments to meal providers as income in determining food stamp benefits.

The CCFP is designed to assure nutritious meals for children up to age 12 and handicapped children up to age 15 who participate in a non-profit, licensed or approved day care program. Any child attending a participating institution is entitled to meals. Programs eligible for participation include non-residential child care institutes, such as group or family day care, child care center, headstart, recreation centers, settlement houses and after-school programs.

Self employed households in receipt of CCFP income may apply for food stamps. These households would most likely be operating family day care or after school programs in their own homes/apartments. In determining the amount of CCFP income used to calculate food stamp benefits the following steps are taken:

- 1. Establish the gross CCFP payments(s) to the provider.
- 2. Subtract from the established CCFP gross payment the total allowable self employment costs to establish the net selfemployment income.
- Apply 20 percent earned income deduction to the net self-employment income.

CCFP payments given to the provider for meals served to the provider's own children are treated the same as CCFP payments given to the provider for meals served to other children.

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