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To: Child and Adult Care Food Program Institutions
National School Lunch Program and Summer Foods Program Administrators

From: Melissa Steinle, Team Leader, CACFP

Subject: Military Families and Eligibility in the Child Nutrition Programs

This memorandum reiterates the policy used for households affected by deployments in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and possible future military contingencies.

Questions concerning household size often arise during times of military deployment. For the purpose of determining household size for any of the Child Nutrition Programs, deployed service members remain a resident family member living apart on a temporary basis. A school or an institution would instruct families to include the names and income of deployed service members on their meal benefit forms. The determining official would count the service member as part of the household in establishing a child's eligibility for free and reduced price meals.

Please feel free to contact your Child Nutrition Programs Specialist or the Child Nutrition Office at 602.542.8700 if you have further questions on this issue.