

Child Care & Nutrition, Inc.

Mini-Teddy Newsletter

December, 2015 Edition

News Flash

Do you have a really neat, fun recipe that you would like to share with us? Please send us a recipe, hint, idea and we will publish it in the newsletter. When we do, you will receive a fun nutrition gift from your Regional Director at your next home visit.

Website Info! Good to Know!

If you haven't been to our website lately, you might want to check out our information as we update it quite often. We suggest you make it your home page!

CCNI does NOT use Minute Menu for our claims processing. So, if you are looking in Minute Menu to see what your reimbursement is for the month, it may not be accurate. We use another program in-house to complete the claims process. To see your payment history, active children enrolled, etc, you can go to our website and click on the link at the bottom of the page to "Access Online Enrollments".



You can then log into your records by using your user name (your email address) and password. We have the password set up for you, just call us and we will get you going. This program allows all our CCNI providers immediate access to their claims and child information. After entering your claim, CCNI staff must take time to read and process it. So, you will see an estimate, but it will be complete at the time funds are sent. Call us at 800-634-3359 for your password and go to www.childcarenutrition.com to check this out.

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Claiming Dates for December

Claim received by noon, December 3
Payment will be sent by December 11

Claim received by noon, December 10
Payment will be sent by December 18

Claim received by noon, December 23
Payment will be sent by December 31

Happy New Year

CCNI Office Schedule Reminders

CCNI office hours are 8:00-4:30, Monday through Thursday and 8:00-2:00 on Friday. Upcoming Holidays and closures:

CCNI office will be closed on November 26 and 27 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

CCNI office will be closed December 24 and 25 for the Christmas Holiday.

CCNI office will be closed January 1 for the New Year Holiday.

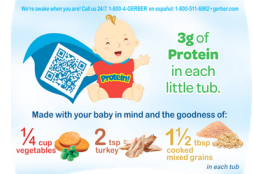
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CCNI Enrolled 33 New Providers!

WELCOME!

We are thrilled to have you in our CCNI Family!

Combination Infant Dinners do not qualify on the CACFP because we do not know how much meat or vegetable is being used. Gerber is now selling combination meals that list the amounts on the labels. The vegetable listed on this label shows $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of vegetable, which converts to 4 tablespoons. This is an adequate amount of vegetable for lunch or breakfast for an infant. However, when you compare the meat in this Turkey and rice dinner it contains only 2 teaspoons of meat. 1-4 *tablespoons* of meat are required for infant. There is not enough meat in this dinner. The rice is not stated as iron fortified or enriched, so please read your labels carefully. Serve the right portions listed in the Meal Pattern Guides.



Technical Assistance Box

School's OUT! VERY Important! Remember to let us know when school is out for holidays, teacher in-service, snow days, etc. When you claim your school aged children for lunch or am snack during a weekday, we must deduct UNLESS a note is sent with the claim stating that the child was not in school that day.

Holiday Claiming! If you claim children on *New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day*, we must have a note along with the claim stating you were open and cared for children on those days. We understand some parents are scheduled to work some major holidays. But, if we don't see a note, we assume meals on a major holiday were recorded in error and will not reimburse.

Variances

Do you have a variance to care for more children than your license allows?

This is what we need to know: Is the variance specific to one child? If so, then we must have that child listed on the variance for proper processing. If a child is not identified on the variance documentation, then we must receive a list of all approved children by the licenser that you can care for at one time. We cannot call your licenser for more clarification. We can only receive that information from you. THANK YOU for your help and attention to this information. We want to get it right!

Gerber "Nutritious" Infant Dinners

