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|  | MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM | ISSUED | REVISED | CHAPTER | SECTION |
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The programs on this list have been determined to have income standards that are equal or below the limits established for Tier I rates for this program (185% federal poverty level).

CATEGORICAL ELIGIBLE PROGRAMS

- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly Food Stamp Program).
- Temporary Assistance (formerly known as TANF).

EXPANDED CATEGORICAL ELIGIBLE PROGRAMS

- Certified eligible for free or reduced price meals in the National School Lunch, School Breakfast Program, and School Milk Program.
- WIC Special Supplement Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children.
- Head Start participants enrolled on the basis of determination that the family meets the Head Start program's low income criteria.
- Child Care Subsidy Program (DSS-FSD paid children).

Enrollment in these programs may automatically qualify a child for Tier 1 meal eligibility. An IEF should be on file for each child enrolled under these programs with the exception of FSD paid children, who must have a copy of their FSD authorization form on file.

Note: Case identification numbers are required when applicable.

Sponsoring organizations are required to provide annually, at a time specified by MDHSS-CFNA, a list of family child care homes claiming eligibility for Tier I reimbursement on the basis of the provider's participation in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly Food Stamp Program) MDHSS-CFNA, in turn, is required to pass this list to the Missouri Department of Social Services, the State Agency administering the SNAP.

The list must include:

- Providers living outside Tier I eligible areas, who claim eligibility for Tier I reimbursement for all children in care based on the provider's SNAP eligibility; and

- Providers in eligible areas who have established their own child(ren)'s eligibility for Tier I reimbursement based on the household's receipt of SNAP benefits.

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