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SUBJECT: Reminder: Waiting Period for HealthierUS School Challenge Awardees Seeking Higher Level Award

TO: Regional Directors
Special Nutrition Programs
All Regions

State Agencies
Child Nutrition Programs
All States

This memorandum serves as a reminder that effective July 1, 2011, HealthierUS School Challenge (HUSSC) applicants that have been awarded previously will be able to begin the application process for a higher award level one year from the date they received their last award. For example, if a school or a district was certified in October 2010, the school or district would be eligible to start the application process for another award in October 2011 (serve menus, etc.).

This waiting period is not retroactive; therefore, those HUSSC awardees that have already submitted an application to the State prior to July 1, 2011, for a higher award level, will be allowed to move forward through the review process. This information has been included with the application material at:
<http://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/healthierus/application.html>.

Schools that wish to apply for an award can find additional information and tools on the Food and Nutrition Service Team Nutrition Web site located at:
<http://teamnutrition.usda.gov/healthierus/index.html>.

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