Verification Collection Report Webinar

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Learning Objectives

By the end of this training, sponsors will be able to:

- Define valid verification responses versus non-responses
- Correctly identify directly certified students
- Interpret trends in verification response rates and submitted applications
- Assess accuracy of data submitted in the Verification Collection Report (VCR)

Professional Standards

• Free and Reduced-Price Meal Benefits (3100) – 1 hour





What is the VCR?

The Verification Collection Report (VCR) is a collection of information about your annual verification activity. It is also known as the FNS-742.



The VCR is required to be completed annually in the portal, due February 1.

Failure to complete the report on time will result in corrective action.



Verification Refresher

Verification is the process of reviewing a sample of applications for

accuracy.

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Key Dates and Verification Activities			
October 1:	Count all current year approved applications on file as of Oct. 1; Select sample size		
Last Operating Day in October:	Count total number of students, by respective categories		
November 15:	Complete verification activities		
Through February 1:	Complete and submit the Verification Collection Report, FNS-742		

Verification Webinar





VCR Resources

- VCR Instructions
- <u>Webinar content</u>
- <u>CDE Team</u>



Gathering Material

To complete the report, gather:

- Enrollment numbers

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- Provisional program participation (CEP and Provision 2 sites)
- Direct Certification numbers
- Application numbers
- Verification information

*Electronic systems may have this information ready for you.



Getting Started

Access the VCR

The VCR is completed in the <u>SNP Portal</u> in the School Nutrition Programs section under the Applications tab.

- Current Users: use your existing username and password
- New Users: request access <u>here</u>

		S	choo	l Nut	rition	Program	ns	Depart Health
Applications	Claims	Compliance	Reports	Security	Search		Programs	Year I
Applications >								School
Item			Des	cription				
Sponsor Manag	er		SNP	Sponsor's	Profile, Site	and Hold Inforr	mation	
Application Pack	ket		Арр	lications F	orms (Sponso	r and Site)		
Application Man	ager Das	hboard	Арр	lication Ma	anagement To	ol		
Meal Pattern Co	mpliance	Summary	Nun	nber of Me	nu Pattern Ce	rtifications by S	Sponsor Summ	ary
Verification Rep	ort		Man	datory An	nual Verificati	on Report		
Verification Sun	nmary		Man	datory An	nual Verificati	on Report (FNS	-742) Summa	ry
Food Safety Ins	pections		Nun	nber of Foo	od Safety Ins	pections by Site	e	
Food Safety Ins	pections	Summary	Nun	nber of Foo	od Safety Ins	pections by Site	Summary	
Annual Audits			Ann	ual Audits				
Annual Audit St	atus Sum	mary	Ann	ual Audit S	Status Summ	ary		
Food Service Ma	anagemer	nt Contracts	Man	age Food	Service Mana	gement Contra	ct and Sponsor	to Sponsor
FFVP Grant Ove	erview		Fres	sh Fruit an	d Vegetable F	rogram Grant I	nformation by	Site Overvie
FFVP Grant Allo	cations		Fres	sh Fruit an	d Vegetable F	rogram Grant /	Allocations	
FFVP Invitations	s and App	rovals	Fres	sh Fruit an	d Vegetable F	rogram Invitati	ons and Appro	vals
FFVP Application	n Packet		Fres	sh Fruit an	d Vegetable F	rogram Applica	tion Forms (SF	A and Site)
FFVP Site List			Fres	sh Fruit an	d Vegetable F	rogram Site Lis	t	
Capital Expendi	ture Requ	iest	Cap	ital Expen	diture Reques	t		
Site Enrollment			Site	Enrollmer	nt and Eligibili	ty		
Community Elig	ibility Pro	vision	Enro	ollment an	d Eligibility fo	r Community E	ligibility Provis	ion
Professional Sta	andards		Prof	essional S	tandards			
Download Form	s		Form	ns Availab	le for Downlo	ading		



Starting the Report

Type of Agency: Educational Institution

Type of SNP Organization: Public

The first time accessing the VCR, click "Modify.

This will open the form for this school year.

School Year **Received Date** Action Stat Modify Not 9 2022 - 2023View | Admin 2021 - 2022 01/25/2022 Appr View I Admin 2020 - 2021 03/03/2021 Subr View Admin 01/24/2020 2019 - 2020 Appr View Admin 2018 - 2019 01/25/2019 Appr

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Sections of the VCR

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General Information				
Section 1:	Total number of schools, RCCIs and enrolled students			
Section 2:	SFAs with schools operating alternate provisions			
Section 3:	Students approved Free but not subject to verification (i.e., directly certified)			
Section 4:	Students approved Free/Reduced via household application			
Section 5:	Verification Results			

General Information

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Ge	neral Information	
Тур	e of Organization: Pub	ic
Ve	rification Contact Inf	ormation
_		Salutation First Name Last Name
1.	Name:	
2.	Email Address: 🏥	
3.	Phone:	Ext: Fax:
4.	Title:	

Due Date: February 01, 2023

Enter correct contact information for the person completing the report.



Section 1

Section 1 - Total Schools, Residential Child Care Institutions (RCCIs), and Enr All SFAs must report Section 1. Report schools or institutions operating the NSLP and/or SBP as of the last operating day in	olled Students October.	i
	A. Number of Schools OR Institutions	B. Number of Students
1-1 Total schools (Do not include RCCIs):	50	0
1-2 Total RCCIs (Do not include schools counted in 1-1):	0	0
1-2a RCCIs with day students (Report ONLY day students in 1-2aB):	0	0
1-2b RCCIs with NO day students:	0	0

Column A. Enter the number of schools/institutions of each type.

Column B. Enter the total number of students enrolled at each type of school/institution as of October 31 with access to the National School Lunch Program and or School Breakfast Program.

Section 2

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Only to be completed by Sponsors operating Provision 2 or CEP. The numbers reported should be the numbers as of October 31.

For non-provision Sponsors, this section is greyed out.



Section 2 – Prov 2 Sponsors



Sponsors with schools operating Provision 2 may fill out lines 2-1, 2-2, 2-2a, and 2-2b, and maybe line 2-5.



Section 2 – CEP Sponsors

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Only Repo	SFAs with alternative provisions must report Section 2. It schools or institutions operating the NSLP and/or SBP as of the last operating day in the schools of the section of the secti	October.	
		A. Number of Schools AND Institutions	B. Number of Students
2-1	Operating Provision 2/3 in a BASE year for NSLP and SBP:	0	0
2-2	Operating Provision 2/3 in a NON BASE year for NSLP and SBP:	0	0
2-2a	Provision 2/3 students reported as FREE in a NON BASE year:		0
2-2b	Provision 2/3 students reported as REDUCED PRICE in a NON BASE year:		0
2-3	Operating the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP):	0	0
2-4	Operating other alternatives for NSLP and SBP:	0	0
2-5	Operating an alternate provision(s) for only SBP or only NSLP:	0	0

Sponsors operating CEP will fill out line 2-3.



Section 3

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Report numbers of students who were determined eligible for free meals without an application. Students that

Report numbers as of October 31.



Section 3 – Line 3-2



3-2: All Directly Certified SNAP Students and Extended Eligible SNAP students

Includes: SNAP, BOTH, SNAP/MIGRANT or BOTH/MIGRANT match types



Section 3 – Line 3-3



3-3: Students certified as eligible through TANF, FDPIR, Migrant, Homeless, Runaway, Foster, Head Start & Medicaid Free

DO NOT report Medicaid Reduced students in Section 3.

Section 3 – Line 3-4



3-4: Students certified as eligible who provided a letter showing their SNAP status.

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Line 3-2 – SNAP students

Line 3-3 – Other FREE directly certified students

DO NOT report Medicaid Reduced students in Section 3



Section 4



Section 4: Information about the applications you received. Pay close attention to the columns and dates in this section.



Section 4 – Line 4-1



4-1 Information about the categorical applications that qualified as FREE, and how many students qualified by categorical eligibility as FREE eligible.



Section 4 – Line 4-2



4-2 Information about the income applications that qualified as FREE, and how many students qualified by income as FREE eligible.



Section 4 – Line 4-3



4-3 Information about the income applications that qualified as REDUCED, and how many students qualified by income as REDUCED eligible.



Section 5

Section 5		
ALL SFAs must report Section 5 or check box 5-1 if applicable		
5-1 Check the box if ALL schools and/or RCCIs are exempt from verification. (See instructions for list of exemptions.) Instructions		
5-2 Was verification performed and completed?		
O Yes, completed by November 15th		
O Yes, completed after November 15th		
\odot No, verification was NOT performed or the process was not completed		
5-3 Type of Verification process used:		
O Standard (Lesser of 3% or 3,000 error-prone)		
O Alternate one (Lesser of 3% or 3,000 selected randomly)		
O Alternate two (Lesser of 1% or 1,000 error prone applications PLUS lesser of one-happercent or 500 applications with SNAP/TANF/FDPIR case numbers)	lf of one	
O No Verification Performed (Explain)		
5-4 Total ERROR PRONE applications: Report all applications as of October 1st considered error prone.		0
5-5 Number of applications selected for verification sample:		0
ALL SFAs must report 5-7 or check box 5-6 if applicable.		
 5-6 Check the box if direct verification was not conducted in the SFA. (i.e. not one of the schools and/or RCCIs in the SFA performed direct verification.) If 5-6 is checked, skip 5-7. 		
	A. Number of Applications	B. Number of Students
5-7 Confirmed through direct verification: Report if FREE and/or REDUCED PRICE	0	0

Section 5

ALL SFAs must report Section 5 or check box 5-1 if applicable

5-1 Check the box if ALL schools and/or RCCIs are exempt from verification. (See instructions for list of exemptions.) Instructions

5-1: Check this box ONLY if you are an RCCI or sponsor on district-wide CEP or Provision 2 in a non-base year. More information is available by clicking the "Instructions" box.

If you collect income applications, Skip 5-1.



5-2 Was verification performed and completed?

O Yes, completed by November 15th

○ Yes, completed after November 15th

O No, verification was NOT performed or the process was not completed

5-2: Was the Verification process completed and when?



5-3 Type of Verification process used:

- Standard (Lesser of 3% or 3,000 error-prone)
- O Alternate one (Lesser of 3% or 3,000 selected randomly)
- O Alternate two (Lesser of 1% or 1,000 error prone applications PLUS lesser of one-half of one percent or 500 applications with SNAP/TANF/FDPIR case numbers)
- O No Verification Performed (Explain)

5-3: What was your sampling procedure?



Section 5 – Lines 5-4 & 5-5

- 5-4 Total ERROR PRONE applications: Report all applications as of October 1st considered error prone.
- 5-5 Number of applications selected for verification sample:



5-4: Report the number of error-prone applications received from families, as of Oct 1.



5-5: Will auto-populate.

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ALL SFAs must report 5-7 or check box 5-6 if applicable.

- 5-6 Check the box if direct verification was not conducted in the SFA. (i.e. not one of the schools and/or RCCIs in the SFA performed direct verification.) If 5-6 is checked, skip 5-7.
- 5-7 Confirmed through direct verification: Report if FREE and/or REDUCED PRICE eligibility is confirmed through direct verification with SNAP/TANF/FDPIR/MEDICAID as of November 15th.

A. Number of	B. Number of
Applications	Students
0	0

5-6: Check the box. Colorado does not conduct Direct Verification 5-7: Will auto-populate



as or november toth-

5-8 Results of Verification by Original Benefit Type

For each original benefit type (A, B, & C), report the number of applications and students as of November 15th for each result category (1, 2, 3, & 4).

Do NOT include students and applications already reported in 5-7A or 5-7B (direct verification applications and students).





Verification: Responded vs. Not Responded

Responded Means:

The household provided sufficient documentation

Verbal or written notification the household declines benefits

The household is directly certified**

Not Responded Means:

The household did not provide sufficient documentation

The household did not provide a response

Section 5 – Line 5-8 continued

5-8 Results of Verification by Original Benefit Type For each original benefit type (A, B, & C), report the number of applications and students as of 1 2 2 4 Do NOT in November 15th for each result already reported in 5-7A or 5- 'B (direct verification applications and students). A. FREE-Categorically **B. FREE-Income** C. REDUCED PRICE-Certified as FREE based on Eligible Income Certified as FREE based on income/household size Certified as REDUCED SNAP/TANF/FDPIR application PRICE based on documentation (e.g. case income/household size number) on application application **Result Category** pplications Students Applications Students Applications Students 1. Responded, NO CHANGE: 0 0 13 10 9 2. Responded, Changed to REDUCED PRICE REDUCED PRICE FREE **REDUCED PRICE / FREE:** 0 0 13 3 6 3 3. Responded, Changed to 0 3 0 2 PAID: 4. NOT Responded, Changed 0 0 12 25 6 14 to PAID:

Columns represent **ORIGINAL** status of applications

Rows represent **RESULT** of verification

Section 5 – Line 5-8 continued









Submitting the VCR

• Once all sections are completed, Select Save

Sponsors are required verification by the est	ס submit a Corrective Action Plan in the event that the Sponsor fails to complete the eligibil lished deadline and fails to request an extension.	ity
Add		
Attachment Coun	0	
	Save	

 Select Finish; The main screen will display the VCR as Submitted

Action	School Year	Received Date	Status
View Modify	2016 - 2017	10/17/2016	Submitted
View	2015 - 2016	12/03/2015	Approved
View	2014 - 2015	12/11/2014	Approved
View	2013 - 2014	11/18/2013	Approved
View	2012 - 2013		Not Started



- If sections are incomplete or incorrect, an error message will display
- Select *Edit* to review the error message
 - If you are unsure of what the error is, contact Nell for assistance.

The Verification Report has been processed with errors and warnings.

Information entered is either incomplete or is not in compliance with the Colorado Department of Education Office of School Nutrition rules and regulations. All errors listed on the form must be corrected before the Verification Report can be processed. You may correct the errors now by clicking '< Edit' or you may return to the Verification Report later.



VCR Review

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- CDE School Nutrition will review all VCR reports for accuracy
- FINAL VCR SUBMISSIONS DUE February 1
- No errors means the submission will be approved
- The status of "Approved" can be seen on the main page

Action	School Year	Received Date	Status
View Admin	2016 - 2017	10/17/2016	Approved
View Admin	2015 - 2016	12/03/2015	Approved
View Admin	2014 - 2015	12/11/2014	Approved
View Admin	2013 - 2014	11/18/2013	Approved
View Admin	2012 - 2013		Not Started

Questions?



Training Evaluation & Certificate

Click this link to complete a quick training evaluation

<u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JGMZ822</u>

• Record your completion of the training on the Professional Standards tracker.





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Thank you!



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