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SUBJECT: State Agencies Selected for Fiscal Year (FY) 2016
National School Lunch Management Evaluations (ME)

TO: Regional Directors
Special Nutrition Programs
All Regions

State Directors
Child Nutrition Programs
All States

In the continued effort to ensure program integrity and accountability, Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) utilizes Management Evaluations (MEs) to evaluate State agency operations. MEs are periodic reviews of the accomplishment of program objectives including effectiveness and quality of service and the assessment of program compliance of the State agency and their oversight of local program implementation. The results are delivered in a report that indicates review findings, observations, and noteworthy initiatives.

FNS would like to announce that the following 20 State agencies (alphabetical order) will receive a National School Lunch Program (NSLP) ME in FY 2016.

1. Alabama	8. Maine	15. New York
2. Alaska	9. Massachusetts	16. Ohio
3. Arkansas – DHS	10. Michigan	17. Oregon
4. California	11. Mississippi	18. South Dakota
5. Connecticut	12. New Hampshire	19. Virginia
6. Delaware	13. New Jersey	20. West Virginia
7. Illinois	14. New Mexico	

State agencies are assessed based on relative-risk for program administration issues, rather than by a calendar cycle. However, a State agency will automatically be selected for an NSLP ME if the State agency:

- 1) Has not been reviewed for a period of five years or longer, or
- 2) Receives the most State Administrative Expense (SAE) funds and has not been reviewed in the last four years will automatically be selected for an NSLP ME.

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In addition to the automatic selection categories listed above, several additional factors are evaluated in areas such as, but not limited to: previous NSLP ME findings, management of State agency funds, procurement, State agency program knowledge and oversight to ensure quality and compliance, and the accuracy and timeliness of reporting and data collection requests.

State agencies with questions should contact the appropriate FNS Regional Office.

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