

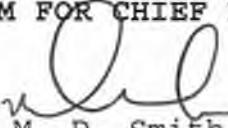


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MEMORANDUM FOR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

FROM: 
M. D. Smith, Assistant Director
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SUBJECT: National Waiver to Food Service Policy 4700.06

This is a national policy waiver to Food Service policies due to the COVID-19 Pandemic:

4700.06 Food Service Manual states:

Chapter 2, Section 5: Menu Review. The National Menu is reviewed at least annually to assess responsiveness to inmate eating preferences, operational impact, product pricing, and nutritional content. During the month of April each year, the NFSA will initiate a survey of inmates to determine eating preferences.

Response for policy waiver

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and burden of the required medical response, this national policy waiver is granted to allow:

- The fiscal year 2021 National Menu will roll over and be utilized as the 2022 National Menu. The annual menu survey will not be conducted during fiscal year 2021. If conducted, inaccurate and unreliable results would be provided due to deviations in the 2021 National Menu offerings on account of COVID related emergency operations. The review and enhancement of current product specifications, to include quality and pricing, will be conducted. Adjustments to portion sizes as related to nutritional adequacy will be conducted after review. Menu edits may still be made and all other nutritional analysis requirements would remain in effect.

This waiver is effective for fiscal year 2021.

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