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# GA ATLAS and Annual Renewal

Remember, this year's CACFP Annual Renewal Training includes a new mandatory step.

All institutions participating in CACFP must register for and complete GA ATLAS training to access the 2017 CACFP Annual Renewal Training, Annual Certification Requirements, and continue participation in the CACFP.

Completing the GA ATLAS training and accessing the portal will allow you to

- Review the annual training presentation,
- · Complete annual training assessment questions, and
- Complete annual certification requirements.

Institutions that fail to attend GA ATLAS training will not have access to the FY 2017 CACFP application and will not be able to submit claims for FY 2017. THE SPONSORING ORGANIZATION'S PROGRAM CONTACT/ DELEGATED PRINCIPAL MUST ATTEND THIS TRAINING.

### **GA ATLAS Training Schedule**

For your convenience, the GA ATLAS training will be offered in two formats: in face-to-face sessions and by webinar. Training will be conducted from July – September 2016. The sessions will be half day, with two sessions per day.

# **Morning sessions**

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

# **Afternoon sessions**

1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Training Dates	Locations
08/12/16	Webinar
08/17/16	Webinar
08/18/16	Central GA Tech - Macon, GA
08/23/16	Webinar
08/29/16	Webinar
08/30/16	GA Piedmont - Clarkston, GA
09/07/16	Webinar
09/08/16	Bright from the Start - Atlanta, GA
09/14/16	Webinar
09/19/16	Webinar
09/23/16	GA Southern - Statesboro, GA
09/27/16	Webinar

Registration for the GA ATLAS Training is now available!

Due to limited seating, if you participate in a training via webinar, you cannot also attend a face-to-face training.

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## To register for face-to-face GA ATLAS training:

Complete the Training Registration Form you received with the training announcement and email it to your assigned TA Coordinator. Email addresses for TA Coordinators are included below.

To register for GA ATLAS training conducted by webinar: Institutions may register for webinar GA ATLAS trainings by clicking **HERE**.

Any questions regarding registration for GA ATLAS trainings should be directed to your assigned TA Coordinator:

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#### FY 2017 CACFP Reimbursement Rates



USDA has released the CACFP reimbursement rates for FY 2017. They can be found on DECAL's website here.

Please note that the child care home provider rates have gone down. USDA is required to adjust the payment rates annually based on the Consumer Price Index. Homes and Centers are tied to two separate categories, food in the home and food away from the home. Food in the home indicated a .69% decrease in costs which is why the home provider's rate was reduced. Food away from home had a 2.64% increase in costs which is why the center payment rates increased.

USDA has also released the FY 2017 value of donated foods and cash-in-lieu. "Notice is hereby provided that per lunch and supper under the CACFP (7 CFR part 226) shall be 23.00 cents for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017." Note that the value of donated foods and cash-in-lieu has decreased three quarters of a cent from FY 2016.

Note that institutions can begin completing and submitting claims for the month of July. We apologize for any inconvenience as we awaited receipt of the updated rates.