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## MEMORANDUM

To: All Institutions Participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) and the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)

From: Falita S. Flowers, Nutrition Services Director

Date: August 25, 2014

Subject: Federal Small Purchase Threshold Adjustment

Legal Authority: USDA Food and Nutrition Service Memoranda CACFP 01-2013, SFSP 01-2013

The memorandum serves as a reminder of the current Small Purchase Threshold. The Federal small purchase threshold remains at \$150,000.00.

CACFP and SFSP participants may use the simplified acquisition procedures for small purchases up to the threshold set by 41 U.S.C. 403(11), which is \$150,000. This increase in the threshold will allow for more small purchase procurements to be conducted using relatively simple and informal methods for securing services, supplies, or other property [7 CFR §3016.36(d)] provided that each procurement, regardless of amount, is conducted in a manner that ensures free and open competition. State and local agencies may set a lower small purchase threshold and thereby impose more restrictive procurement procedures as authorized by 7 CFR §3016.36(a), §3016.37(a), and §3016.60(a). Therefore, all State and local procurement requirements still apply.

For further guidance on procurement practices, please refer to Bright from the Start's **Budget Guidance Manual** and **Procurement Manual** which can be found on Bright from the Start's web site at <http://www.decal.ga.gov/Nutrition/NutritionServicesMain.aspx>.

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