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### Informational Letter

#### Section 1

| Transmittal:                 | 16-INF-10   |  |  |  |  |
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| To:                          | Local District Commissioners  |  |  |  |  |
| Issuing                      | Center for Employment and Economic Supports                           |  |  |  |  |
| Division/Office:             |   |  |  |  |  |
| Date:                        | June 27, 2016   |  |  |  |  |
| Subject:                     | Eat Smart New York Nutrition Education Materials                      |  |  |  |  |
| Suggested                    | Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Directors            |  |  |  |  |
| Distribution:                | Temporary Assistance Directors  |  |  |  |  |
|                              | Employment Coordinators   |  |  |  |  |
|                              | Staff Development Coordinators  |  |  |  |  |
| Contact                      | SNAP Bureau at 1-800-343-8559, ext. 3-1469                            |  |  |  |  |
| Person(s):                   |   |  |  |  |  |
| Attachments:                 | Attachment 1: 2010-01-DGA-B Let's Eat for Health of it (Brochure)     |  |  |  |  |
|                              | Attachment 2: DG Tip Sheet No. 9Smart Shopping for Veggies and Fruits |  |  |  |  |
|                              | (English/Spanish)   |  |  |  |  |
|                              | Attachment 3: DG Tip Sheet No. 16—Eating Better on a Budget           |  |  |  |  |
|                              | (English/Spanish)   |  |  |  |  |
|                              | Attachment 4: DG Tip Sheet No.37—Save More at the Grocery Store       |  |  |  |  |
|                              | (English/Spanish)   |  |  |  |  |
|                              |   |  |  |  |  |
| Attachment Available Online: |   |  |  |  |  |

# **Filing References**

| Previous<br>ADMs/INFs | Releases<br>Cancelled | Dept.<br>Regs. | Soc. Serv.<br>Law &<br>Other Legal<br>Ref. | Manual Ref. | Misc. Ref. |
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### Section 2

# I. Purpose

The purpose of this directive is to inform Social Services Districts (SSDs) that the following United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Eat Smart Nutrition Education materials will be drop shipped to each main social services office and are

available for local offices to order from the BMS Document Services on the following web page: <a href="http://otda.state.nyenet/dta/programs/nutrition/">http://otda.state.nyenet/dta/programs/nutrition/</a>:

- **2010-01-DGA-B –** Let's Eat for the Health of It (Brochure) (6/11)
- **DG Tip Sheet No. 9 –** Smart Shopping for Veggies and Fruits (English/Spanish Flyer) (9/11)
- **DG Tip Sheet No. 16** Eating Better on a Budget (English/Spanish Flyer) (12/11)
- **DG Tip Sheet No. 37 –** Save More at the Grocery Store (English/Spanish Flyer) (4/14)

## II. Background

Per 18 NYCRR 387.2(s)(1) and (2), in order to assist needy families and individuals to obtain Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, each local social services department shall prominently display in all local SNAP and public assistance certification sites posters and pamphlets provided by the department regarding foods with substantial nutritional values and menus making use of these foods and the relationship between health and diet.

Increasing the accessibility of nutrition education and obesity prevention materials help persons eligible for SNAP make healthier food choices and pursue active lifestyles. The attached information is designed in a way that facilitates the voluntary adoption of healthy food and physical activity choices and other nutrition-related behaviors conducive to the health and well-being of low-income adult/older adult SNAP applicants and participants.

## III. Program Implications

Please note that SSDs will to have the option to download the USDA materials from the OTDA SNAP intranet website at <a href="http://otda.state.nyenet/dta/programs/nutrition/">http://otda.state.nyenet/dta/programs/nutrition/</a> and/or order the materials from BMS Document Services for local district distribution if so requested. LDSSs should make these publications available to SNAP recipients and eligibles and reorder publications from OTDA as needed.

### IV. Forms Ordering Information

- The following USDA materials are printed by the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance:
  - o **2010-01-DGA-B** Let's Eat for the Health of It (Brochure) (6/11)
  - DG Tip Sheet No. 9 Smart Shopping for Veggies and Fruits (English/Spanish Flyer) (9/11)
  - DG Tip Sheet No. 16 Eating Better on a Budget (English/Spanish Flyer (12/11)

 DG Tip Sheet No. 37 – Save More at the Grocery Store (English/Spanish Flyer) (4/14)

Please use the bolded text above as the form number, these are unique materials from USDA and they do not have a traditional numbering convention.

- The above referenced documents have been posted on the OTDA SNAP Intranet website at http://otda.state.nyenet/dta/programs/nutrition/ and may be available for downloading by local districts for reproduction locally, depending on print specifications.
- Any future requests for printed copies of the English version, should be submitted to the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) using either the OTDA 876EL (DOC) or OTDA 876 EL (PDF) available at http://otda.state.nyenet/ldss eforms/default.html and either mail, fax or e-mail it to:

Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance BMS Document Services and Operational Support PO Box 1990 Albany, NY 12201

E-mail: <a href="mailto:forms.orders@otda.ny.gov">forms.orders@otda.ny.gov</a>
Social Services Districts (SSD) online forms ordering system: <a href="mailto:http://formorders/">http://formorders/</a>
Fax: (518) 402-0084

• Questions concerning ordering these documents should be directed to BMS Document Services at 1-800-343-8859, ext. 4-9522.

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