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Notice of Intent to Administer the Summer EBT Program in FY2024

The Oregon Department of Human Services and the Oregon Department of Education hereby notify USDA FNS of intent to administer the Summer EBT Program in Oregon in Fiscal Year 2024.

The coordinating Summer EBT agency will be the Oregon Department of Human Services. The partnering Summer EBT agency will be the Oregon Department of Education.

Oregon's notice of intent is being submitted with the understanding that the following conditions and flexibilities will be accepted prior to any final commitment from the state to implement a Summer 2024 program.

1. Oregon is submitting a request for additional state budget funding and legislative approval through the 2024 Legislative Session. Final submission of a Summer 2024 plan is contingent on approval through the legislative process.
2. Oregon requests FNS consider implementing waivers in the initial implementation year for any overpayments incurred through the rapid program implementation for this new federal program. This would ensure that any overpayments created during this first year of implementation do not require the state to seek recovery from the participant.
3. Oregon requests FNS to waive requirements around providing advanced planning documentation and pre-approval for contracts and procurement

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documentation; allowing Oregon to operate through the rapid program implementation without delay to implementation dates.

4. Oregon requests that Listening Sessions are convened, and formal feedback can be provided to FNS prior to any permanent Final Rules for Summer EBT are enacted.
5. Oregon is exploring the implementation of Summer EBT 2024 through a third-party vendor option, including utilization of non-merit staff. This option will be contingent on state and federal approvals of the budget and deliverables.
6. Implementing the 2024 Summer EBT will be dependent on hiring, training, and onboarding internal positions in a tight timeframe.

We understand that submission of this notice of intent may allow Oregon to access an initial allotment of Summer EBT administrative funds. However, we acknowledge that full access to administrative funds will not be granted until FNS has approved our FY 2024 Summer EBT interim Plan for Operation and Management (iPOM).



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