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Manager

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Number: SS-AR-08-008

Issue Date: 07/23/2008

Topic: Food Benefits

Due Date: 8/22/2008

Subject: Food Stamp Program New Name

Applies to (check all that apply):

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All DHS employees | <input type="checkbox"/> County Mental Health Directors |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Area Agencies on Aging | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Children, Adults and Families | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Seniors and People with Disabilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County DD Program Managers | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): |

Action Required: The Food Stamp Program is looking for a new name.

The Federal government is changing the name of the Food Stamp Program in October to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). The purpose is to move away from the idea of coupons and stamps, which have not been used for more than a decade, and focus on nutrition. The other important aspect of the new name is “supplemental,” to help explain that food stamps are not intended to cover a household’s entire food budget.

Oregon can choose to go with the new name SNAP, or choose a name of its own. A survey has been assembled with some choices that have been selected or you can add a new name that you create. Each of the five names identified in the survey include the word supplement and nutrition because of our new focus.

Those who are interested in renaming the program please click on the survey link below and provide your input.

To take the survey click on the link below.

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=jF4_2fq21YalHVifuTGJCW6A_3d_3d

Reason for Action: The Federal government is renaming the Food Stamp Program to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

Field/Stakeholder review: Yes No

If yes, reviewed by:

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