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RE: Review of Findings-Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Review 2023-2024

Dear Ms. Hill and Mrs. Matthews-Jones:

This letter concerns the findings from the Federal Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Compliance Review on Balanced Nutrition, Inc, Agreement #9460. The State agency has made multiple attempts to schedule an in-person exit conference, by email, telephone, and written communication, with no response.

A complete list of findings and finding descriptions have been attached for review. A summary of the review findings from the Sponsor level as well as findings from the facility level is provided below. Please note some areas have been noted as repeat findings from the compliance review conducted in Federal Fiscal Year 2023.

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## **SPONSOR LEVEL FINDINGS:**

Findings were noted in the following areas:

- Recordkeeping
- Civil Rights
- Programmatic Training
- Monitoring (Repeat Finding)
- Income Eligibility Applications and Enrollment Documentation (*Repeat Finding*)
- Meal Count Validation
- Menu Review (*Repeat Finding*)
- Fiscal Integrity (*Repeat Finding*)
- Administration

## FACILITY LEVEL FINDINGS:

For Federal Fiscal Year 2024 a total of ten (10) facilities were reviewed this included five (5) centers and five (5) day care home providers.

The centers that were reviewed include: ABG Provider Services Child Care II, Apple Tree Wee School, Inc., First Class Preparatory School, Foundation Builders Academy, and Gingerbread Learning Center.

Findings were noted in the following areas regarding the centers:

- Recordkeeping (*Repeat Finding*)
- Civil Rights
- Monitoring
- Programmatic Training (Repeat Finding)
- Monitoring
- Verification of Income Eligibility Applications and Enrollment (*Repeat Finding*)
- Meal Count Verification (*Repeat Finding*)
- Meal Observation and Meal Pattern Analysis
- Menu Review (Repeat Finding)
- Approved Meal Service
- Fiscal Integrity

The day care home providers that were reviewed include: Kim Eaton, Sharon Harris, Jamie Johnson, Robrita McKoy, and Rosa Reddick.

Findings were noted in the following areas regarding the day care home providers:

- Attendance and Eligibility Data (*Repeat Finding*)
- Recordkeeping (Repeat Finding)
- Ethnic and Racial Data
- Civil Rights (Repeat Finding)
- Programmatic Training (Repeat Finding)
- Parental Notification
- Monitoring (*Repeat Finding*)

- Meal Count Verification
- Meal Observation and Meal Pattern Analysis (Repeat Finding)
- Five-Day Meal Count
- Menu Review (Repeat Finding)

In addition to the Compliance Review Report, you will also find disallowance forms with appeal rights for the test months within the compliance review of January 2024, February 2024, and March 2024. Disallowance forms for Gingerbread Learning Center for the months of February 2023, March 2023, June 2023, July 2023, August 2023, September 2023, October 2023, and February 2024 where claims were filed on the facility's behalf.

## SUMMARY

The State agency recognizes that Balanced Nutrition submitted a notice to terminate their CACFP Agreement with the State agency effective April 30, 2024. Prior to the State agency receiving the request to terminate from Balanced Nutrition, a compliance review was scheduled to begin April 15, 2024. For this reason, the State agency had an obligation to complete the compliance review. If you have any questions, please contact Child and Adult Care Food Program Manager, Cassandra Williams at 919-218-0088 or by email at Cassandra.williams@dhhs.nc.gov.

Sincerely,

Mary Anne Burghardt

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