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Southeast Region

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Mr. Chad Poppell, Secretary
Florida Department of Children and Families
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Dear Mr. Poppell:

This letter is in response to the submission of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Florida Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and Training (E&T) State Plan. The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has reviewed your submission and is granting approval of the plan effective October 1, 2020. The final approved budget is as follows:

E&T 100 Percent Grant	\$6,917,089
Additional E&T Administrative Expenditures	
- 50 Percent Federal	\$125,000
- 50 Percent Federal Pending (if applicable)	N/A
Reimbursement for Transportation and Other	
- 50 Percent Federal	\$319,026
- 50 Percent Federal Pending (if applicable)	
Reimbursement for Dependent Care	
- 50 Percent Federal	\$10,500
- 50 Percent Federal pending (if applicable)	0

The Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018, also known as the 2018 Farm Bill, made many changes to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training (E&T) program. FNS detailed the broad implementation requirements for these SNAP E&T changes in an Informational Memorandum dated March 6, 2019. As indicated in that memorandum, States were required to implement certain Farm Bill related changes starting in fiscal year (FY) 2020, such as providing case management services, and may offer optional components such as supervised job search or at least 30 days of job retention. FNS is currently undergoing the rulemaking process and anticipates publishing the proposed rule in FY 2021. Once the final rule is published, States may have to make adjustments to their E&T program to comply with the new regulation. Therefore, approval of certain activities in the FY 2021 plan, is not an indication that they will be approved in subsequent fiscal years. In addition, after final rule publication, States may have to make changes during FY 2021 in accordance with the implementation schedule published with the final rule. FNS will provide technical assistance to States after publication of the final rule to ensure States make the appropriate adjustments to their E&T programs.

The FY 2021 allocated funding must be expended or obligated by September 30, 2021. FNS strongly encourages States to spend the entirety of their E&T allocations. The Federal funding granted may only be used to reimburse allowable E&T costs.

Questions may be directed to Larry G. Young, Regional E&T Program Specialist, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, at (404) 562-1819 or larry.young@usda.gov.

Sincerely,



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