

Hello All -

The CalFresh and Nutrition Branch is excited to announce it's 2020 Stakeholder Engagement meeting series. As we mentioned at the end of 2019 and based on the success of the CalFresh Expansion stakeholder engagement meeting series, we'd like to continue creating a space for collaboration across a variety of CalFresh topics. In the coming year we'll be addressing policy, operations, outreach, data and more.

Our first Stakeholder Engagement meeting of 2020 will be Thursday, February 27 from 3:00 to 5:00pm. The meeting will be held at the CDSS Sacramento Headquarters (744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814) in OB8, Room 235/237.) We will have both an in-person and webinar/call in option available. We will release the full 2020 calendar shortly. Expect to see meetings invites for May, August, and November. The CalFresh stakeholder engagement meetings are open to all.

Register for this meeting by clicking here: <u>2020 All Stakeholder Engagement Meeting</u> Once registered, your attendance will be confirmed, and a meeting agenda will be emailed. Please note, the online registration link will be closed on Tuesday, February 25, 2020, 5pm.

Given recent federal policy developments we are proposing that we spend the majority of our first meeting discussing upcoming implementation of the CalFresh Time Limit for Able Bodied Adults without Dependents (ABAWDs). The Final Rule, published by USDA on December 5, 2019, imposes major changes to ABWAD time limit waiver and discretionary exemption policy that will greatly impact California. This first meeting will cover important policy updates, an overview of California's implementation timeline, information about litigation efforts as well as an opportunity for Q&A. An official meeting agenda will be forthcoming.

February Stakeholder Engagement Meeting: Proposed Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Review of Stakeholder Survey Responses
- CalFresh Expansion Update
- CalFresh Time Limit Update
- What's Next? Stakeholder Input on Upcoming Meeting Topics
- Open Discussion

If you have any questions, about logistics or otherwise, please reach out to Bobbi Stewart, Bobbi.Stewart@dss.ca.gov.