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PROGRAM MEMO

То:	Area Agencies on Aging	
No:	21 - 13	
DATE:	June 30, 2021	
SUBJECT:	Local COVID Data Response Portal Reporting	
EXPIRES:	N/A	
PROGRAMS AFFECT	C D	Reporting for Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) and Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act funded Home Delivered Meals and Information and Assistance Calls (AAAs) Activities and Services
SUPERSEDES:	N/A	

PURPOSE

This Program Memo (PM) is being issued to provide direction to Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) regarding weekly COVID data reporting for Home Delivered Meals and Information and Assistance Calls via CDA's Local COVID Data Response Portal since the beginning of the pandemic (effective April-2020).

ENDING OF THE WEEKLY COVID DATA REPORTING REQUIREMENT

Effective immediately, AAAs will no longer be required to submit weekly Home Delivered meals and Information and Assistance Calls data to CDA via the Local COVID Data Response Portal.

CDA is currently developing, and will implement, a new data portal that will collect mandated Older Americans Act Data as well as all required data for COVID relief funds (including, but not limited to: FFCRA, CARES Act, Consolidated Appropriations Act, and American Rescue Plan Act) on a monthly basis beginning with July-2021 data reporting (due by August 10, 2021). Our goal with this change is to relieve the immediate burden of weekly COVID data reporting but to also move from quarterly to monthly reporting (due by the 10th of the following month) for all program data. CDA will issue additional direction and guidance on this new reporting tool and process in the coming weeks.

The federally required reporting to CDA, through the California Aging Reporting System (CARS) to meet Older Americans Act Performance System (OAAPS) reporting requirements, continues to ensure the department's oversight and network's compliance.

Thank you to the entire AAA network for the unprecedented weekly reporting to CDAs Local COVID Data Response Portal during the pandemic, so that the needs of older adults and families and the responsiveness of the AAA network could be closely monitored, publicly shared, and strongly supported by CDA.

For questions regarding this PM, please email: DataTeam.Reports@aging.ca.gov.

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