EFNEP Program Procedure – County Programs Securing a Memorandum of Understanding

Background

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is a statement between two or more parties that establishes a mutually beneficial exchange of services and/or resources. The purpose is to establish a collaboration, in writing, outlining responsibilities for each party and addressing risk concerns. For more information regarding MOUs, refer to the <u>UC ANR Policies, Compliance, and Programmatic Agreements (PCPA) MOU page</u>.

California EFNEP provides lessons at many sites that require an MOU prior to the start of program provision. The following program procedure sets forth steps to secure a mutually acceptable MOU between the site, school district, agency or other location and the University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources (UC ANR).

Associated Documents and Links

<u>UC ANR Policy and Procedure Manual (PPM)</u> Select "Policy and Procedure Manual (PPM)" then "400 Series: Laws and Operations." Relevant sections include:

- 401 Programmatic Memorandum of Understanding
- 401 Appendix I Deciding When an MOU is Needed
- 401 Appendix V Nutrition Education MOU Template (Explanation of template)

On the <u>UC ANR PCPA MOU page</u>, a <u>Nutrition MOU Template</u> is located on the right side of the page in a blue box marked "Templates."

Submit drafts and questions to newagreement@ucanr.edu

Procedure

- 1. EFNEP County Supervisors or Advisors determine whether the other party (usually a school district) will accept UC ANR's standard <u>Nutrition MOU</u> or use their own form.
 - a. If the UC ANR Nutrition MOU is acceptable to the other party, email the completed draft MOU to newagreement@ucanr.edu
 - i. Signatures should **not** be acquired until PCPA has reviewed.
 - ii. Only people with a delegation of authority from the ANR Vice President can sign documents for ANR, (i.e., AVP, AVP-BO, Controller). This does <u>not</u> include County Directors, Advisors, or Program Supervisors.
 - b. If the other party has a required MOU/form of their own, email it to PCPA at newagreement@ucanr.edu
- 2. PCPA will review the submitted MOU to approve or modify for compliance with UC policy and state and federal law.
- 3. Revised MOU shall be returned to the County Supervisors or Advisors to present to the other party for approval.
 - a. This process repeats until the MOU is approved by both parties.
- 4. Once approved by both parties, **PCPA will arrange for the appropriate signatures** for both parties via DocuSign.