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U.S.D.A. To Pay 1/2 of Food Stamp Program Administrative Costs

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) will provide financial assistance to state and local agencies, effective Oct. 1, for 50 percent of the cost of running the food stamp program.

The new regulations, issued by USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), implement amendments to the Food Stamp Act of 1964 which were included in Public Law 93-347, approved July 12, 1974.

Under the previous regulations, FNS paid for 62-1/2 percent of salaries, fringe benefits and travel expenses for certain certification, outreach, fair hearing and quality control workers only. Under the new regulations, FNS will pay formerly non-reimbursable costs as support staff and issuance, storage, protection and inventory of food stamps.

The new regulations include details on:

--Types of charges which can now be claim-

ed in general or claimed with prior approval from FNS;

--Unallowable costs, such as bad debts and interest costs;

--Conditions states must meet to be reimbursed, such as procedures for accounting, submitting claims and reporting on program administration;

--Method of payment;

--Handling of cash and in-kind contributions from third parties such as volunteers;

--Procedures FNS will follow when suspending, cancelling or terminating payments to a state for any reason.

FNS will not reimburse states for the cost of certifying public assistance households for food stamps, since these expenses are reimbursed by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

The new regulations are scheduled to be published in the Federal Register of Tuesday, December 17, 1974.

NNPA WORKSHOP PLANNED



Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett

Ways of gaining more readers, for the Black Press, verifying circulation figures, and increasing advertising linage will be empha-

sized at the Mid-Winter Workshop of the National Newspaper Publishers Association, Jan. 22-25, in Washington, D. C., at the Mayflower Hotel.

Announcement of the top speakers was made this week by Dr. Carlton Goodlett, NNPA president and editor-publisher of the San Francisco Sun-Reporter and Metro-Reporter.

Black newspaper circulation now stands at more than four million out of a total of 6,500,000 homes where Black citizens reside in the United States.

Principal Workshop speakers will be: Congressman Charles B. Rangel, chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus; John H. Powell Jr., chairman of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; Dr. Goodlett, and a speaker from the new administration, and the White House briefers.

TOOTH CARE

A painnawing at your jaw or shooting through your teeth could be a sign of a decayed or abscessed tooth, or possibly periodontal disease. Swollen sinus cavities also can put pressure on teeth, creating a dull, throbbing sensation. Only your dentist can tell for sure.

"Pain in and around your teeth should not be ignored," a handbook of dental care advises. * If pain persists for more than a day or two, "the safest thing to do is see your dentist."

A common cause of tooth pain that is less dramatic but usually more easily and less expensively treated is dental hypersensitivity. Some people have teeth that are super-sensitive to hot or cold drink, cold air, or even dental treatments for other conditions.

Until about a decade

HYPERTENSION IN YOUTH

High blood pressure is a problem for children as well as adults, and by age two or three youngsters should receive yearly blood pressure checks, according to a Cincinnati Pediatrician.

Studies indicate that between one and 11 percent of all children and adolescents have high blood pressure, according to Jennifer Loggie, MD, Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Pharmacology at Cincinnati Children's Hospital. These children can be treated with smaller dosages of the same drugs that adults use, she said. Diets need to be restricted unless a child is fat, has kidney disease or consumes large amounts of

ago, dentists treated such in their office. Today, most cases of hypersensitive teeth can be "treated" by the patient at home just by using a special tooth-paste that contains an ingredient to block the stimuli that cause the pain. The one most often recommended contains a safe, nontoxic strontium chloride, (Sensodyne).

Self-diagnosis for dental pain is a mistake. Many people avoid dental visits fearing painful costly, time-consuming visits. However, it has been found that regular check-ups in the long run prevent needless suffering, expensive treatment and, most important, may prevent the loss of teeth.

*Your Teeth: A Handbook of Dental Care for the Whole Family, by Daniel A. Collins, DDS.

salt, she added.

Her remarks were made at a hypertension (high blood pressure) symposium in Cincinnati, sponsored by the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine---CONMED and CIBA Pharmaceutical Company as part of its Medical Horizons Postgraduate Education Series.

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