



The Native Farm Bill Coalition:

The Native Farm Bill Coalition is a nationwide initiative to lift the voices of Native American producers and Tribal governments to advance a common policy agenda.

<https://www.nativefarmbill.com>

List of the coalition leadership and how to be connected:

<https://www.nativefarmbill.com/leadership>

White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health:

This link will allow you to find the recorded sessions of the Conference.

<https://health.gov/our-work/nutrition-physical-activity/white-house-conference-hunger-nutrition-and-health/conference-streaming/>

Conference Fact Sheet:

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2022/09/28/fact-sheet-the-biden-harris-administration-announces-more-than-8-billion-in-new-commitments-as-part-of-call-to-action-for-white-house-conference-on-hunger-nutrition-and-health/>

National Strategy:

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/White-House-National-Strategy-on-Hunger-Nutrition-and-Health-FINAL.pdf>

The **Food and Drug Administration** announced new proposed rules for nutrition labels that can go on the front of food packages to indicate that they are “healthy.”

Under the proposal, manufacturers can label their products “healthy” if they contain a meaningful amount of food from at least one of the food groups or subgroups (such as fruit, vegetable or dairy) recommended by the dietary guidelines. They must also adhere to specific limits for certain nutrients, such as saturated fat, sodium and added sugars. For example, a cereal would need to contain three-quarters of an ounce of whole grains and no more than 1 gram of saturated fat, 230 milligrams of sodium and 2.5 grams of added sugars per serving for a food manufacturer to use the word “healthy” on the label.

The goal is to help consumers more easily navigate nutrition labels and make better choices at the grocery store. The proposed rule would align the definition of the “healthy” claim with current nutrition science, the updated Nutrition Facts label and the current Dietary Guidelines.

Here is the proposed rule:

<https://www.federalregister.gov/public-inspection/2022-20975/food-labeling-nutrient-content-claims-definition-of-term-healthy>

Here is the new nutrition label:

<https://www.fda.gov/food/nutrition-education-resources-materials/new-nutrition-facts-label>

Here is the link to the dietary guidelines:

<https://www.dietaryguidelines.gov>

The **U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service** announced the release of the National Accuracy Clearinghouse Interim Final Rule, working towards the goal to promote customer service and prevent duplicate participation in SNAP.

Under the interim final rule, all state agencies will be required to work toward implementing the NAC system, a technology-based solution designed to prevent individuals from receiving SNAP benefits in more than one state at the same time.

While the main goal is to fraudulent and unintentional dual participation, this rule should also result in a more seamless experience for participants who move from state to state and need to disenroll in one state to apply in another.

Here is the link to the final rule:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/fr-100322>

CLASP, in cooperation with the Community Partnership Group, recently released a report providing detailed policy recommendations that form a new, anti-racist vision for SNAP. The report calls attention the importance of centering racial equity and partnering with individuals who have lived experience to shape public benefits programs.

The full text of the report can be found here:

https://www.clasp.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/2022.9.28_A-Community-Driven-Anti-Racist-Vision-for-SNAP.pdf

The **U.S. Department of Homeland Security** has issued a final rule, to be published in the Federal Register, that provides clarity and consistency for noncitizens on how DHS will administer the public charge ground of inadmissibility.

The rule restores the historical understanding of a 'public charge' that had been in place for decades, until the prior Administration began to consider supplemental public health benefits such as Medicaid and nutritional assistance as part of the public charge inadmissibility determination. The rule announced today speaks to the Biden Administration's commitment to restoring faith in our legal immigration system.

Link to the final rule:

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2022/09/09/2022-18867/public-charge-ground-of-inadmissibility>