

Title III Data Elements and Definitions

Nutrition Services Incentive Program (NSIP)

The Nutrition Services Incentive Program of the Older Americans Act (OAA) provides grants to states, territories, and eligible Tribal organizations to support the Congregate and Home-Delivered Nutrition Programs by providing an incentive to serve more meals. Grantees can choose to receive their grant as cash, commodities (food), or a combination of cash and commodities.

NSIP Qualified Meals

An NSIP meal is a meal served in compliance with all of the requirements of the OAA program guidelines.

NSIP Qualified Title III-C Meals

An NSIP meal is a meal served in compliance with all of the requirements of the OAA program guidelines.

Compliant meals must meet all the following requirements:

- Served to a person who is eligible under the OAA and has NOT been means-tested for participation
- Compliant with nutrition requirements
- Served by an eligible agency
- Served to a person who has the opportunity to contribute toward the cost of the meal

NSIP Qualified Title III-E Meals

NSIP meals also include home delivered meals provided as Supplemental Services under the National Family Caregiver Support Program (Title III-E) to persons meeting all the requirements stated above.

If a meal does not meet ALL of these requirements, it CANNOT be included in the count for NSIP service units on the new SPR.

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NSIP Qualified Meals

An NSIP meal is a meal served in compliance with all of the requirements of the OAA program guidelines. For both Home-Delivered Meals and Congregate Meals, you will need to report the number of meals served under Title III-C and the number of meals served under Title III-E.

Data Element	Units	Definition
Home-Delivered Nutrition	Meal	A meal provided to a qualified individual in his/her place of residence. The meal is served in a program that is administered by SUAs and/or AAAs and meets all the requirements of the Older Americans Act and State/Local laws.
Congregate Nutrition	Meal	A meal provided by a qualified nutrition project provider to a qualified individual in a congregate or group setting. The meal is served in a program that is administered by SUAs and/or AAAs and meets all the requirements of the Older Americans Act and State/Local laws.

NSIP Expenditures

NSIP grant expenditures should be included in only in the Title III-A Expenditures category for Home-Delivered and Congregate Nutrition.

Data Element	Definition
Title III-A Expenditure (NSIP Grant)	Outlays or payments made by the SUA and/or AAA's using Title III-A OAA (section 311) federal funds to purchase domestically produced or processed foods for use within a qualified meal.
Total Service Expenditure	Total expenditures for all services. This element is system-generated in OAAPS.

Title III NSIP OAAPS Resources



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