



## **Update Regarding COVID-19 & SNAP**

### **New York State to Distribute "Emergency Allotment" SNAP benefit to Certain SNAP Households in August.**

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Emergency Allotments (EA) for SNAP recipients were authorized by Congress under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act of 2020. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) previously approved NYS's plan to distribute EA of SNAP benefits in March, April, May, June and July. FNS recently approved NYS's request to provide EA for SNAP recipients in the month of August.

In NYS, over 700,000 individuals and families enrolled in SNAP will receive the EA supplement to bring their August SNAP benefit to the maximum allowable benefit to help them avoid food insecurity.

This [Consumer FAQ](#) explains who will receive the August EA supplement benefit and what SNAP clients should know about this supplement SNAP benefit.

For more information on issuance dates and other details see our [COVID 19 page](#).

**New injunctions allow immigrant communities across the U.S. to safely access critical food assistance, health care and other public benefits during the COVID-19 health crisis.**

On July 29th, the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York issued a new temporary injunction against the DHS Public Charge rule. The order bars the implementation, application, and enforcement of the Public Charge rule

nationwide for as long as there is a declared national emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**New Yorkers who have questions about the new rule and whether it applies to them should contact the Office for New Americans hotline at 1-800-566-7636 to receive more information.**

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