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## **Department of Health**

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Dear Alaskan resident,

You are receiving this letter because you or someone in your household is a recipient of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance program (SNAP) benefits.

Alaska implemented a change to our SNAP certification period. Effective June 1, 2023, most SNAP households will be given a certification period of 12 months. SNAP households in which all members are elderly or disabled and have no earned income will be given a 24-month certification period.

With the change in SNAP certification period length, all active SNAP recipients or households will be required to complete an Interim Report halfway through their certification period to confirm they are still eligible for SNAP benefits. That means if your household is certified to receive SNAP for 12 months, your Interim Report will be due in the 6th month, and if you are certified for 24 months, your Interim Report will be due in the 12th month.

Interim reports will be mailed to households the month prior to the month they are due and will include a postage paid return envelope. It is important to keep your mailing address updated with the Division of Public Assistance, so you receive this and other important mail.

Interim Reports are mandatory. Failure to complete and return the Interim Report timely can result in termination of SNAP benefits for the entire household.

Enclosed you will find an Interim Report FAQ.

Sincerely,

Deb Etheridge, Director
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