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General Comment

Dear Sirs/Madam:

Sponsors are required to check the National Disqualified List (NDL) when signing on a new home provider or center. As of January 2020, the website no longer allows Sponsors to enter a provider or principal's birth date, only the first and last names. This complicates the process since the data a sponsor may receive could potentially include multiple of false positives, especially when checking "common" type names. For example, the name Mary Jones could elicit numerous finds on the NDL locally, and many more finds when taking into consideration that the NDL searches across all the states. Sponsors may be declared Seriously Deficient by a State agency for allowing a provider to participate on the CACFP when they may be on the NDL. Adding the birth date back as a search field on the NDL for Sponsor's use would be advantageous for both State agencies and Sponsors.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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