

## **HHS Guidance on Using Grant Funding For Meals (Last Updated: March 19, 2018 )**

Per The HHS Grants Policy Statement, using grant funding for meals is generally unallowable with the following exceptions:

- Where specifically approved as part of the project or program activity, e.g., in programs providing children's services
- When an organization customarily provides meals to employees working beyond the normal workday, as a part of a formal compensation arrangement
- As part of a per diem or subsistence allowance provided in conjunction with allowable travel
- Guest meals are not allowable. (See "Consumer/Provider Board Participation" in this exhibit regarding the allowability of the cost of meals for consumer and provider board participants in grant supported activities.)