

# Welcome!

Preparing for CACFP in the Texas Automated System (TANS)

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# Meet our Speakers!



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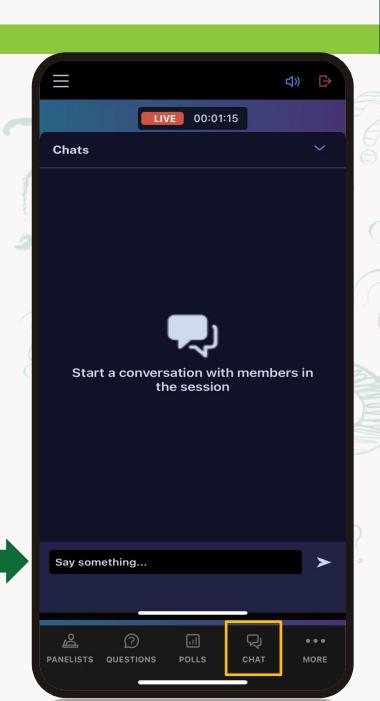
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# 1. Learn the differences between TX-UNPS and TANS

- 2. Hear more about when you will begin using TANS
- 3. See where updates and training can be accessed

# Objectives



#### Where it Started

Orchard

#### Where it's headed

Texas Automated Nutrition System (TANS)

#### What's next

System Rollout

#### What's happening

**Updates and Training** 

#### **Questions**

# Agenda



# Where It Started

Washington D.C. OSSE'S Orchard



# Where it Started: Orchard

# System Discovery

TDA evaluated existing solutions across the nation, looking for a system that was:

- User friendly
- Good program coverage
- Easy to modify
- Well-documented





# Where it Started: Orchard

# Selecting Orchard

Washington D.C.'s Office of the State Superintendent of Education developed a custom software that met many our state's needs.

#### To acquire the system:

- Code Sharing Agreement
- Received code
- "Stood up" system



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#### Welcome to Orchard

The Child Nutrition Program (CNP) Portal System for the District of Columbia

The Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE), Division of Health & Wellness (H&W) serves as the State Agency (SA) for the District of Columbia. As the SA, OSSE is responsible for overseeing the administration of the federally regulated CNPs operated throughout the district. OSSE is proud to serve as the link between the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food Nutrition Services (FNS) agency and local program operators, to ensure CNPs are managed according to the federal requirements. Orchard is the SA database that supports online applications and compliance monitoring for CNPs.



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# Where it Started: Orchard

# Gap Analysis

TDA evaluated OSSE's Orchard to determine where modifications would be needed to meet:

- USDA Regulations
- Texas State-Mandated Regulations
- Operational Needs



Applications

Apply to operate

Compliance

Undergo review of program operations



Claims

Submit claims for reimbursement



# **Discovery Begins**

January 2022



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**Orchard Selected** 

May 2023



Discovery Begins

January 2022

Code

Received

October 2023

Orchard Selected

May 2023



**Discovery Begins** 

January 2022

Gap

October 2023

Code **Analysis** Received

Complete

May 2024

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# Where It's Headed:

Texas Automated Nutrition System





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#### Filling the gaps

#### TEXAS AUTOMATED NUTRITION SYSTEM (TANS)

The Texas Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Division administrators 12 federal child and special nutrition programs. The Texas Automated Nutrition System (TANS) helps ensure TDA fulfills its mission to advance compliant federal nutrition programs by providing administrators, state users, and sponsors with webbased access to program applications, claims, compliance reviews, and related nutrition program functions



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System Access



**Applications** 

**Claims** 

Compliance





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### **System Access**



Security Roles

**User Access Managers** 

**Account Creation** 

Logging In

#### **Security Roles**

- Streamlined security roles
- Not program specific
- Cross-functional transparency

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### **System Access**

- **Security Roles**
- User Access ManagersAccount CreationLogging In

#### **User Access Managers**

- Requested by security form
- Limit of 2
- Ability to add, deactivate, and modify users



### **System Access**

- **Security Roles**
- ✓ User Access Managers
- Account CreationLogging In

#### **Account Creation**

- No "pending" accounts
- Login ID generated during creation process
- Immediate access



### **System Access**

- **†** Security Roles
- ✓ User Access Managers
- **1** Account Creation
- togging In

#### Logging In

- Same user Login ID (existing TX-UNPS users)
- Multiple browser windows
- Self-service password reset



### **System Access**

#### Let's Take a Look!

Security Roles

User Access Managers

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**1** Logging In







System Access



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### **Applications**

Navigating ApplicationsApplication CompletionVersion ManagementProgram Requirements

#### **Navigating Applications**

- View all program applications
- Easily sort, filter, and select
- Customizable views



### **Applications**

- Navigating Applications
- Application CompletionVersion ManagementProgram Requirements

#### **Application Completion**

- Easily navigate between application sections
- Easily navigate between site applications
- Increased transparency



### **Applications**

- Navigating Applications
- **†** Application Completion
- Version Management
  Program Requirements

#### **Version Management**

- Consolidated view of application version history
- Easily view changes old and new values



### **Applications**

- ↑ Navigating Applications
- Application Completion
- ↑ Version Management
- ✓ Program Requirements

#### **Program Requirements**

- Operational requirements remain
- Processes may look different



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#### Claims

Navigating Claims

Claims Management

**Special Requests** 

**Program Requirements** 

#### **Navigating Claims**

- View all program claims
- Easily sort, filter, and select
- Customizable views
- Exportable summary



#### Claims

Navigating ClaimsClaims ManagementSpecial Requests

**Program Requirements** 

#### **Claims Management**

- Site claim uploads no change to upload format
- Aggregated summaries
- Easily view version changes
- On-screen export options



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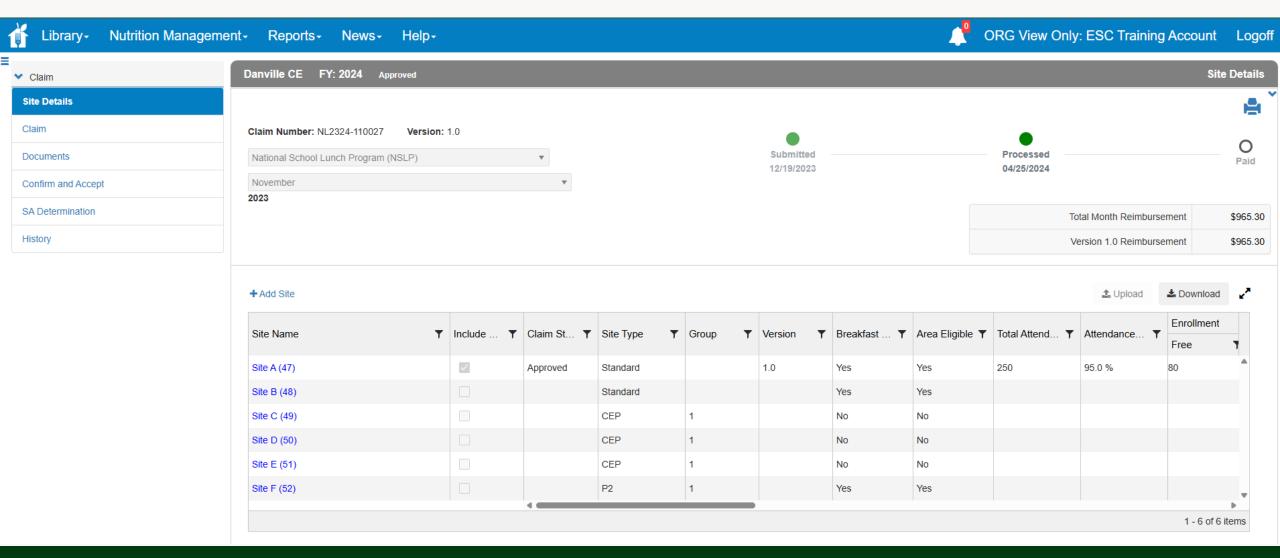
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- Navigating Claims
- Claims ManagementSpecial RequestsProgram Requirements

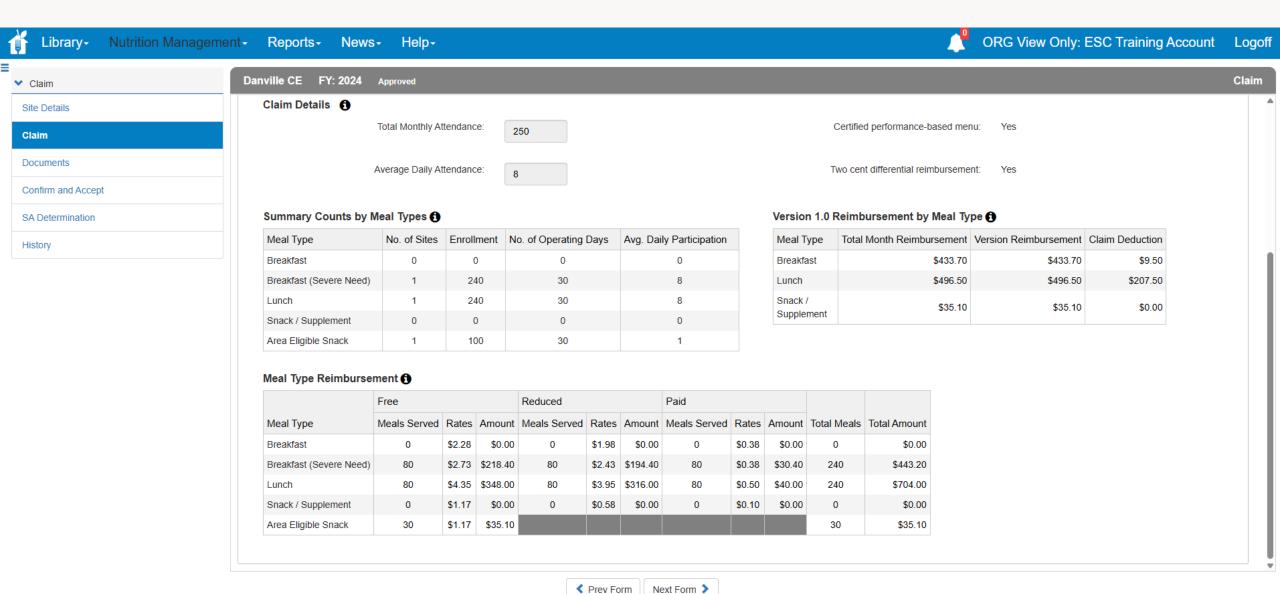
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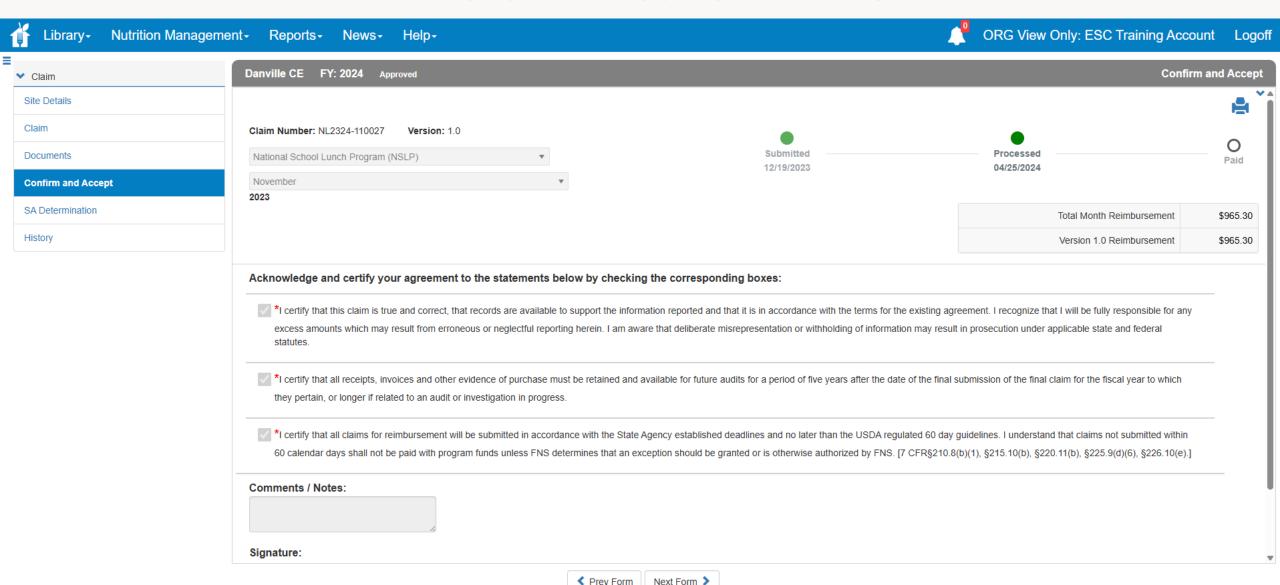














#### Claims

- **†** Navigating Claims
- **†** Claims Management
- ✓ Special Requests
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#### **Special Requests**

- Specific Prior Written Approval
- Advance Requests



#### Claims

- ↑ Navigating Claims
- **†** Claims Management
- ✓ Special Requests
- ✓ Program Requirements

#### **Program Requirements**

- Operational & eligibility requirements no change
- Submission timelines no change
- Processes may look different





System Access



**Applications** 

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Compliance



#### Compliance

Navigating Reviews

Review Management

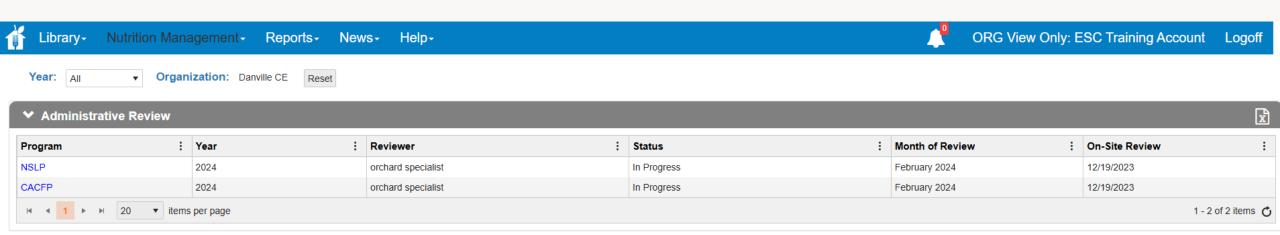
Findings Management

**Program Requirements** 

#### **Navigating Reviews**

- View all program reviews
- Easily sort, filter, and select
- Customizable views
- Exportable summary







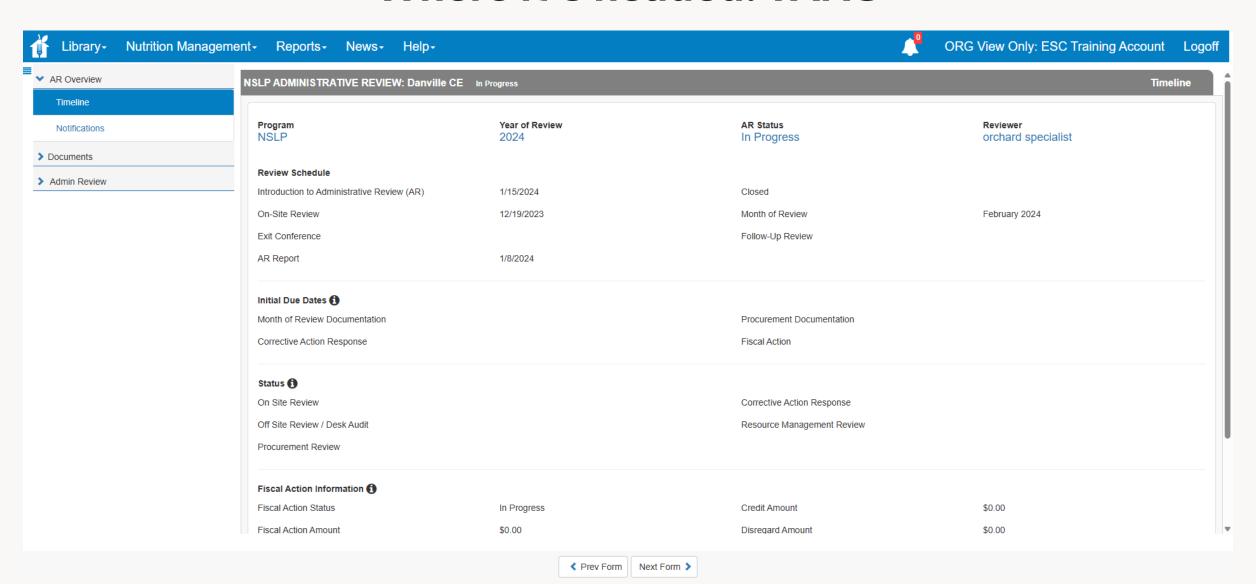
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- Navigating Reviews
- Review ManagementFindings ManagementProgram Requirements

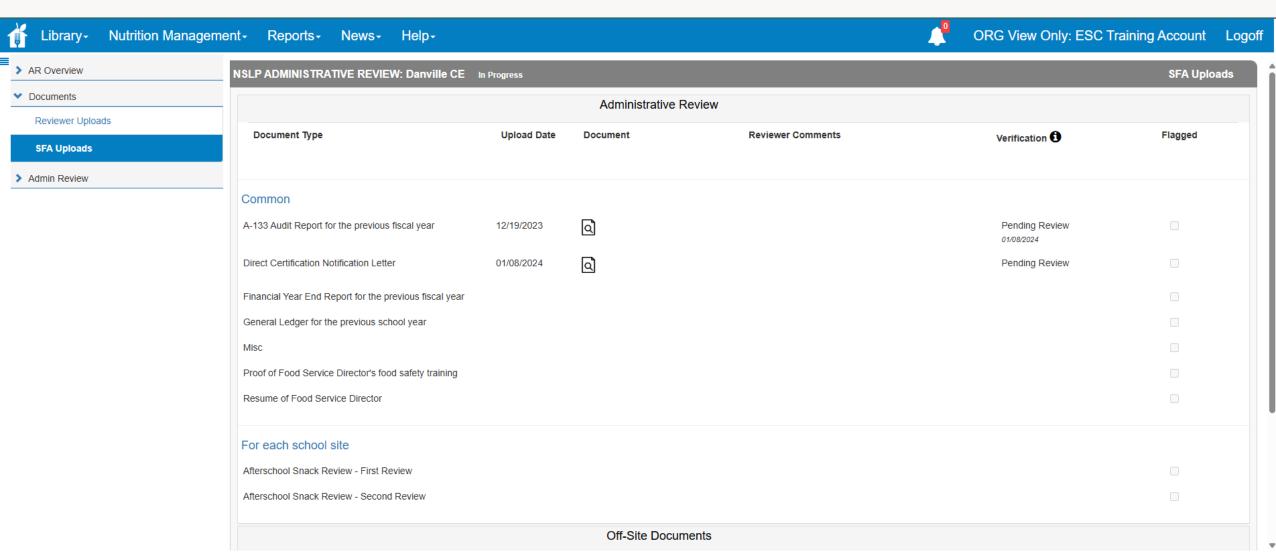
#### **Review Management**

- Consolidated review management
- Easily navigate between review sections



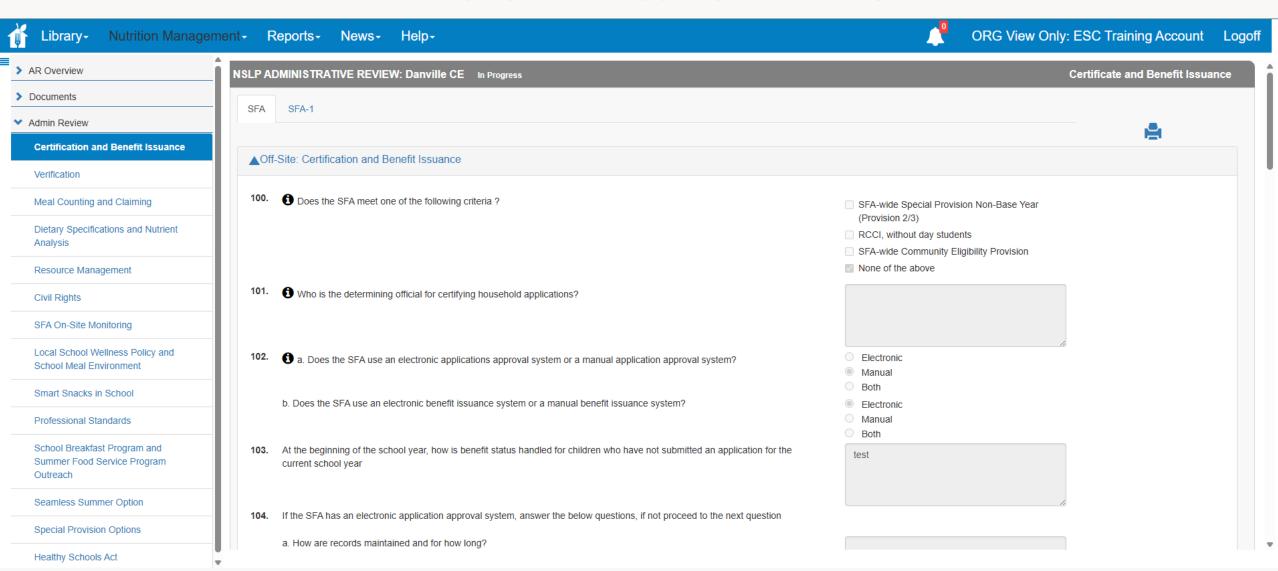






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#### Compliance

- Navigating Reviews
- **†** Review Management
- † Findings Management
  Program Requirements

#### **Findings Management**

- Easily navigate between findings
- Clear finding and corrective actions
- Consolidated corrective actions



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#### Compliance

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#### **Program Requirements**

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- Review cycles no change
- Processes may look different



# What's Next: System Rollout



### What's Next: System Rollout



**Training** 

**Applications** 

**Claims** 

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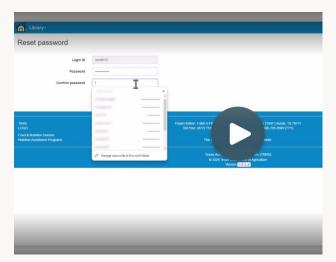
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### Self-service training materials

- short video tutorials
- job aids & quick guides
- user manuals

#### **Instructor-led training sessions:**

- classroom trainings and demonstrations
- virtual trainings and demonstrations





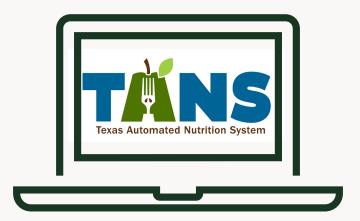
# What's Next: System Rollout

# First Year in TANS

#### Foundational data provided

- User credentials & security roles
- Foundational organization and site data
- Area & Tier 1 eligibility
- Serious deficiency
- Pre-approval site visits

Sponsors should plan for higher effort on the first application. Most data will roll over on future renewals.





## What's Next: System Rollout

May	June	July	August
			FDP Applications
September	October	November	December
		FDP Claims  FDP Compliance	



## What's Next: System Rollout

January	February	March	April
			SNP Applications
May	June	July	August
		SNP Claims  CACFP Applications	SNP Compliance
September	October	November	December
	FFVP Claims		SFSP/SSO Claims
	CACFP Claims		SFSP/SSO Compliance
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Discovery Begins

January 2022

Gap

Code Analysis

Received Complete

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**Stay Tuned!** 

Orchard Selected

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**Development Begins** 

May 2024

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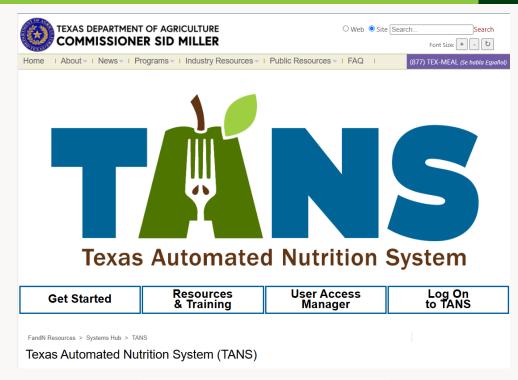


# What's Happening: Updates and Training



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TANS on SquareMeals







# What's Happening: Updates & Training

# TANS Bulletin

# Targeted newsletter sent to program sponsors



#### TANS BULLETIN

Your source for TANS updates!

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**TANS on SquareMeals** 

**TANS Resources and Training** 





## REMINDER: Join us for the February "TANS Talk!"

TANS Talk is an office hours session that will give the F&N Staff the opportunity to review TANS related updates. We are excited to share all of the new updates about this platform and answer any questions.

How to Participate in TANS Talk:

Use this  $\underline{\textbf{TANS Talk Feedback Form}}$  to submit any



# What's Happening: Updates & Training

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#### Monthly webinar and Q&A session

TANS Updates =

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