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Good evening:

Action Item: FNS Regional Offices should forward the following information to all State agency food distribution program contacts.

Top Line: Frozen strawberries from Egypt have been linked to illnesses and hospitalizations across 9 states in the US resulting in a product recall. As this is imported product, it is highly unlikely that USDA Foods are involved. Distribution information is not available at this time; however, FDA has reports that schools in California may have purchased the product through **commercial** channels. USDA FNS continues to work with its partners at HHS FDA and USDA AMS to verify that no USDA Foods are involved.

Background: On 10/30/2016, the International Company for Agricultural Production & Processing (ICAPP) [voluntarily recalled](#) certain lots of its frozen strawberries in response to an [investigation of an outbreak of Hepatitis A](#).

The recalled products were all distributed for sale to and use in food service establishments nationwide -- not for use in food products offered for retail sale to consumers. ICAPP is working closely with all of the U.S. distributors of this product to ensure that this recall is effective. **Schools** may have purchased affected products through commercial channels from distributors, including Sysco, and **are advised to contact their distributors with questions or concerns** about potentially affected product.

More information about **Hepatitis A** can be found at www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/hav/.

Thank you,

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