# OC SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM

## COVID -19 (coronavirus) updated services

#### **Continuing Essential Services for Seniors**

- 1) How can I continue to get food when my senior center is closed? And, since I am supposed to stay at home, can I have food delivered to me?
- Congregate meals which take place at senior centers throughout Orange County will be converted to take-home meals. Seniors age 60 and older can pick-up take-home meals from their local senior center. Please check with the below listed organizations for the most up to date information on locations near you.
- If seniors are current clients of the congregate lunch programs at the senior centers and need their food delivered to them instead, they can request this through the same organizations listed below

North/Central County cities: MEALS ON WHEELS ORANGE COUNTY

714-220-0224 www.mealsonwheelsoc.org

City of Irvine: LAKEVIEW SENIOR CENTER

949-724-6900 <u>www.cityofirvine.org</u>

**South County Cities:** AGEWELL SENIOR SERVICES

949-855-8033 <u>www.agewellseniorservices.org</u>

### 2) What will happen to my home delivered meals (HDM)?

• HDM will continue without interruption. HDM drivers have been trained to maintain a safe distance and will use proper sanitizing practices if frail seniors need assistance with bringing meals inside the home.

# ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO ENSURE ALL SENIORS ON OUR PROGRAM CONTINTUE TO HAVE ACCESS TO FOOD

#### Specifically, the Office on Aging has:

- Implemented contingency plans to convert warm lunches served at senior centers in group settings to frozen take-home meals.
- Executed a plan to have take-home meals delivered to seniors' homes if they are unable or unwilling to pick up at the senior center.
- Implemented a process that allows take-home lunches from the senior center to be picked up by the seniors' designee.
- Ensured home delivered meals will continue without interruption. Deliveries will be less frequent and contain enough food for several days.
- Confirmed drivers have been trained to deliver food using safe distances and have been given gloves to use if seniors need food to be brought inside their homes.

Any questions? Please call our Information & Assistance Call Center: 1-800-510-2020.