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VENDOR ALERT 2011-06

TO: ALL WIC VENDORS
SUBJECT: REMINDER: THE REVISED VENDOR MINIMUM STOCKING REQUIREMENT IS EFFECTIVE JULY 5, 2011

Purpose The California Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program has revised the Vendor Minimum Stocking Requirement, and is effective JULY 5, 2011.

Background The Vendor Minimum Stocking Requirement is an authorization criterion which must be continually met in order to become and remain an authorized WIC vendor. Details of the revised Vendor Minimum Stocking Requirements were provided to you in Vendor Alert 2011-03. The revised Vendor Minimum Stocking Requirement is currently available for viewing, or for downloading and printing at the WIC Program website at: www.wicworks.ca.gov

Authorization Criteria - Grounds for Termination Of Vendor Agreement The Vendor Minimum Stocking Requirement is a part of vendor authorization criteria. Pursuant to federal regulations and your Vendor Agreement, a vendor must comply with all authorization criteria, including any changes, during the term of their Vendor Agreement. Failure to do so would be grounds for termination of your Vendor Agreement and denial of authorization to accept and redeem food instruments. Disqualification from the WIC Program may also result in disqualification from the CAL Fresh Program (SNAP).

Vendor Minimum Stocking Requirement Enforcement On July 5, 2011, and continually thereafter until notified of any changes by the WIC Program, vendors must comply with the revised Vendor Minimum Stocking Requirement. Vendors should expect an unannounced visit from WIC representatives to verify compliance with the new minimum stocking requirements.

Questions If you have any questions regarding the Vendor Minimum Stocking Requirements, or if you elect to cancel your WIC authorization, you may do so by contacting your WIC Vendor Consultant directly or call (916) 928-8705.


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