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**TO:** Regional Medical Directors for  
Health Service Regions 4/5, 6 & 5 South, 9/10 and 11  
WIC Local Agency Directors

**FROM:** Linda Brumble, Unit Manager  
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**DATE:** April 9, 2010

**SUBJECT:** FY 2011 Texas WIC Dietetic Internship Application Now Being Accepted

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Thank you for your support of the TEXAS WIC Dietetic Internship! So far, 30 local agencies have sent staff through the WIC Dietetic Internship. We are looking forward to getting applications from YOUR staff this year! Please forward this email to your staff who may be interested in applying this year.

The internship was started in January 2000 to meet a need for more registered dietitians in local Texas WIC agencies. Ten classes have graduated with a total of seventy-one WIC internship graduates. Thirty-five of the thirty-nine graduates from the last five classes (90%) and fifty of seventy-one graduates from all ten classes (70%) are still employed in Local WIC Agencies, and many of those are in leadership and management positions.

Applications for the 2011 class are now being accepted. The web address has changed, so please copy and paste this address into your browser: <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/wichd/interns/intern-brochure.shtm>, or go to the Texas WIC webpage and look for the Texas WIC Dietetic Internship heading on the left side menu bar.

### Additional Information

- All the documents are on the web page in pdf format. If you would like these documents in WORD, email me and I will send to you.
- Print off the **Application Checklist** and make sure you include everything listed in your application packet. Start early – it often takes longer than expected to collect all the recommendation forms and other required documentation.
- If you do not have a *Verification Statement* from your DPD program (signed in non-black ink), you need to immediately contact your DPD program to obtain a copy. Professors are often not in their offices in the summer months, so it is important to obtain the *Verification Statement* prior to them leaving for the summer.
- See bullet above for academic recommendations.
- Do not put your application in any special binders or folders.
- Everything must be included in your application packet, unless you have made arrangements with me. Your application will not be accepted and reviewed if it is not complete.
- The deadline this year is **July 1, 2010**. Your application packet must be sent by certified mail to the address listed.

GOOD LUCK! We are looking forward to the 2011 class of interns! If you have questions or require additional information please contact Mary Van Eck, Director, Texas WIC Dietetic Internship Program at (512) 341-4510 or at [mary.vaneck@dshs.state.tx.us](mailto:mary.vaneck@dshs.state.tx.us).