



Memorandum

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TO: WIC Regional Directors
WIC Local Agency Directors

FROM: Amanda Hovis, Director
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Nutrition Services Section

DATE: September 27, 2016

SUBJECT: Prenatal Breastfeeding Education Bag Order Opportunity

The opportunity to order prenatal breastfeeding education bags is now open. As we get closer to the end of the year we are working to clear the current stock of bags from storage so that more bags can be assembled. Please use the <http://wicstaffapps.dshs.texas.gov> link to order a **9-month** supply of bags (enough bags to issue one to every pregnant participant for eight months regardless of her intent to breastfeed as indicated by policy BF:01.0) no later than COB October 7, 2016.

To ensure a smooth ordering process, please:

- *Place orders in increments of 25.*
- *Enter orders within the assigned deadline, ensuring all orders are captured in the system.*

Current estimated time of arrival for this order is late November, 2016. The next opportunity to order bags will be May, 2017.

If you anticipate your clinics may run out of bags before the noted shipments, please be prepared to follow the contingency plan in Policy BF:01.0, *When preassembled bags are not available, each pregnant participant should be given a breastfeeding DVD (stock no. DV0057), a Dad/Partner brochure, and a Grandparent brochure at a minimum, in the appropriate language in lieu of a preassembled bag.*

Please report delivery discrepancies promptly. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Leticia De La Rosa, at leticia.delarosa@dshs.state.tx.us or (512) 341-4567.