



**TEXAS WIC PROGRAM**  
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## **IMPORTANT Milk Changes Effective October 1, 2014**

You were notified previously of the new Food Package Rules issued by USDA/FNS. **For clarification**, effective on October 1, 2014, women and children age 2 years and older, participating in the TEXAS WIC Program will only be allowed to purchase 1%, ½%, skim, and fat free milk, 1%, ½%, skim, and fat free lactose-free milk and 1%, ½%, skim, and fat free buttermilk. The Texas WIC Program will **no longer allow** 2% reduced fat milk, 2% lactose-free and 2% buttermilk.

**IMPORTANT:** As a result of these changes, it is critical each retail outlet electronically connect to the State EBT host, and download an updated Approved Product List (APL) **after 1:00 am local time on October 1, 2014, before your store opens that day.** If your store is open 24 hours, your ECR system should connect to the State host **as soon as possible after 1:00 am on October 1, 2014, in order to process WIC transactions accurately.**

If you have any questions or need further information, please call the Vendor Relations Section at 1-800-252-9629.