



FOOD ISSUANCE & REDEMPTION SERVICES UNIT

January 16, 2015

Clarification on Product Temporarily Not Available – Quarts of Milk

For clarification, the Texas WIC Program **does not allow Quarts of 1%, ½ %, Skim, Fat free Buttermilk.**

Effective March 27 – 31, 2015, the Texas WIC Program will **temporarily** not allow WIC participants to redeem:

- Quarts of 1%, ½ %, Skim, Fat free Milk - **Remains an LEB Item**
- Quarts of 1%, ½ %, Skim, Fat free Lactose free milk – **Remains a Non-LEB Item**

On April 1, 2015 the quarts of milk/lactose free milk will become available as an option for participants to choose a quart of milk (**LEB item**), quart of lactose free milk (**Non-LEB Item**) or a 32 oz. of yogurt (**Non-LEB item**).

Our intent is to provide vendors with sufficient notice of the unavailability. Additionally, it is **critical** that all vendors download the Approved Product List (APL) during the period of **3/27/2015-3/31/2015**. If a vendor is unsuccessful in downloading the APL by 3/31/2015 at 11:59 pm, submitted claims for Quarts of Milk and Lactose free milk **will not be paid.**

If you have any questions please contact the Food Issuance & Redemption Services Unit at (512) 341-4425, 1-800-252-9629 (Texas only), or email at WICVendorRelations@dshs.state.texas.gov .