

Date	Time	Session Description	Target Audience	Training Link	Contact for Questions
February 2024					
02/01	12:00-1:00	Lunch and Learn: Practicing in myWIC Did you know that WIC staff have access to a sandbox area in myWIC, similar to the TXIN Sandbox? This session will demonstrate how the myWIC app sends information to TXIN and how staff can practice creating and confirming information submitted in the sandbox! In this Lunch & Learn session, staff will learn how to create a pretend family in the TXIN Sandbox, send the family an invitation to sign-up for myWIC, and then create a pretend account in the myWIC sandbox. Staff can see exactly what the client sees when signing up to use the myWIC app and can follow the steps to submit required documents.	New and existing staff wanting to learn more about the myWIC app	Practicing in myWIC 02.01.2024	doreen.laduca@hhs.texas.gov
02/05	12:00-1:00	Nutrition Notes Training This training will cover the new Nutrition Notes feature that will allow nutritionists and WCS's to write a personalized note to each client. This feature will replace the current VENA documentation and is recommended for all staff who provide nutrition counseling. Approved for 1.0 WCS CEC.	Nutritionists, WCS's	Nutrition Notes Live Training Link	andrea.urquidez@hhs.texas.gov
02/06	12:00-1:30	Lunch and Learn: Navigating Nutritional Challenges in Hyperemesis Gravidarum Hyperemesis gravidarum (HG) or severe nausea and vomiting in pregnancy leads to significant nutritional deficiencies and food aversions during pregnancy. Resulting malnutrition may cause serious complications such as Wernicke's encephalopathy in the mother, and malformations and neurodevelopmental issues in the child. Join Kimber MacGibbon, RN, with the Hyperemesis Education and Research Foundation as she discusses HG treatment and support to help prevent complications. After this talk, you will be able to confidently recommend practical nutritional strategies that really help mothers and babies have a healthier future. Approved for 1.5 WCS CEC.	WIC Dietitians, Nutritionists, WCS	Please register in advance: Hyperemesis Gravidarum 02/06/24	Angela.gil@hhs.texas.gov

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02/06 02/08 02/13 02/15	23 hours of live virtual instruction over a 2-week period. See the Texas WIC Training Catalog for exact times.	<p>TXIN Application Training Day 1 On Day 1, we provide a history of the TXIN application and explore navigation. During this session, we create a family record, add an endorser, add the participants to the family record, and document proof of residency.</p> <p>TXIN Application Training Day 2 On Day 2 we certify a participant and sign the Rights and Responsibilities document. This session includes a special presentation on creating and managing Nutrition Notes, Risk Codes, and High-Risk Referrals in TXIN.</p> <p>TXIN Application Training Day 3 In this session, we create a benefits issuance, and demonstrate how to verify and write WIC benefits to a Texas WIC Card. Additionally, we discuss, Scheduling, completing the Daily Rider, performing recertifications, mid-certs & mid-reviews, transferring Families, and VOCs. The session also includes a presentation on using the myWIC app & TXIN Sandbox.</p> <p>TXIN Application Training Day 4 This day is all about formula management! In this session we verify formula, replace & exchange formula, return formula, create and approve a prescription, create a drop ship order, and managing breast pumps in TXIN.</p>	New and Existing TXIN Users	February 2024 TXIN Virtual Training (adobeconnect.com)	Debra.white1@hhs.texas.gov Sandra.west@hhs.texas.gov
02/08	12:00–1:00	<p>Lunch and Learn: How to Be a Breastfeeding Detective In this interactive class, you'll be presented with three case studies presenting common concerns related to breastfeeding. Based on suggestions in the chat, the instructors will role play investigating the situation from different angles, and the results will be discussed as a group. Approved for 1.0 WCS CEC.</p>	Staff offering breastfeeding education	How to Be a Breastfeeding Detective 2/8/24	Michelle.Poole@hhs.texas.gov
02/12	12:00-1:00	<p>Nutrition Notes Q&A Session Following release of the Nutrition Notes feature, this will be an open Q&A session with state staff</p>	Nutritionists, WCS's	Nutrition Notes Q&A Session Link	andrea.urquidez@hhs.texas.gov
02/13	9:00-10:00	<p>Nutrition Notes Q&A Session Following release of the Nutrition Notes feature, this will be an open Q&A session with state staff</p>	Nutritionists, WCS's	Nutrition Notes Q&A Session Link	andrea.urquidez@hhs.texas.gov

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02/13	12:00-1:30	WIC Leadership Series: Expand Your Comfort Zone Brian Brandt will discuss how attendees can expand their comfort zone by applying approaches to confidently handle situations commonly faced by leaders in the workplace. Specific focus is on operating in the midst of ambiguity and change. We'll consider ways to grow in our confidence and specify items we should focus on in vague and dynamic situations. We'll get specific by looking at real scenarios. Approved for 1.5 WCS CEC.	WIC Directors, Supervisors, Team Leads	Please register in advance: Expand Your Comfort Zone 02/13/24	Angela.gil@hhs.texas.gov
02/15	12:00-1:00	SNAP-Ed Sharing Session: Preparing for FY25 Session #1 This session will discuss updates for FY25 SNAP-Ed to assist local agencies with completing the Initial Funding Survey. Additionally, updates and reminders will be provided to FY24 SNAP-Ed local agencies. This session is offered 2 times - staff only need to attend one.	Local agency directors and staff receiving FY24 SNAP-Ed funds or interested in receiving FY25 SNAP-Ed funds	SNAP-Ed Sharing Session #1 02.15.24	allison.mcadow@hhs.texas.gov
02/20	8:30-9:00	Live Storm Orientation This class must be taken at least once before attending Virtual Lactation Principles (VLP) or Virtual Advanced Lactation Management (VALM) sessions. This is a review of how to use the LiveStorm platform. You will be automatically registered. Please note VLP class will begin @ 9am on this day.	Anyone attending a LiveStorm breastfeeding class.		Missy.Hammer@hhs.texas.gov
02/20 02/21 02/22	9:00-12:00	Virtual Lactation Principles (3 days) Special Timing for Orientation immediately prior at 8:30AM. This breastfeeding course addresses the fundamentals of breastfeeding, utilizing various case studies, activities and group discussions. All 3 days are required in order to receive a completion certificate or continuing education (CE) hours. No partial credit is awarded. CE hours awarded for several disciplines. See registration page for specific information. Approved for a maximum of 3.0 WCS CEC. Advanced registration is required.	Staff offering breastfeeding education	Please register in advance at www.TALWD.org.	Missy.Hammer@hhs.texas.gov

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02/20	1:00-2:00	Lunch and Learn: Managing Returned Formula This training will go over our policy FD.19.0 - Managing Returned Formula, and documentation required for all returned formula at WIC. This training will also answer frequently asked questions and concerns from Local Agency staff related to returned formula and procedures to follow. Approved for 1.0 WCS CEC.	WIC Staff who manage return formula	Managing Returned Formula 2/20/24	Gabrielle.Serna@hhs.texas.gov
02/21	1:00-2:00	SNAP-Ed Sharing Session: Preparing for FY25 Session #2 This session will discuss updates for FY25 SNAP-Ed to assist local agencies with completing the Initial Funding Survey. Additionally, updates and reminders will be provided to FY24 SNAP-Ed local agencies. This session is offered 2 times - staff only need to attend one.	Local agency directors and staff receiving FY24 SNAP-Ed funds or interested in receiving FY25 SNAP-Ed funds	SNAP-Ed Sharing Session #2 02.21.24	allison.mcadow@hhs.texas.gov
02/22	12:00-1:00	Lunch and Learn: Client Disputes This training will provide an overview of what LA staff need to gather for a Client Dispute and the process for submitting the dispute on behalf of a WIC client.	LA Clinic staff with a good understanding of basic TXIN functionality and WIC food packages.	Client Disputes 2.22.24	doreen.laduca@hhs.texas.gov
02/27	12:00-1:30	Lunch and Learn: WIC Shopping 101 This live, interactive training event is designed for staff in a variety of roles. Join to learn about WIC foods, shopping resources available for clients, common challenges and tips for supporting the shopping experience.	Local Agency Staff and State Staff	WIC Shopping 101 (02/27/2024)	kaylene.thompson@hhs.texas.gov or alyssa.rubin@hhs.texas.gov
02/28	12:00-1:00	WIC Summer Meals Program: Sharing Session This session will cover the basics of operating summer meal service, including matching with food sponsors, clinic responsibilities, and best practices. We will share FY24 updates and information for agencies interested in participating in FY25.	Local agency directors and staff receiving FY24 Summer Meals funding or interested in receiving FY25 Summer Meals funding.	WIC Summer Meals Program (02/28/2024)	marissa.gregurek@hhs.texas.gov

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03/04	9:00-9:30	Live Storm Orientation This class must be taken before attending VLP or VALM. This is a review of how to use the LiveStorm platform. You will be automatically registered if needed.	Staff attending a LiveStorm class		Missy.Hammer@hhs.texas.gov
03/04	1:00-5:00	Virtual Advanced Lactation Management-Session 1 Guest Speaker: Pamela Berens, MD, IBCLC This advanced-level class utilizes critical thinking & problem-solving skills during activities and case studies. Topics include: Advanced Maternal Complications, Medications, and Counseling During Complex Situations, part 1. The 4 sessions can be taken in any order. CE hours awarded for several disciplines. See registration page for specific information. This course is approved for a maximum of 3.0 WCS CEC regardless of how many sessions attended.		Please register in advance at www.TALWD.org.	Missy.Hammer@hhs.texas.gov
03/05	12:00-1:30	WIC Leadership Series: Organizational Attractiveness - Retaining and Recruiting for Today's Employees How can you attract and retain top talent? Do you understand expectations of current and potential employees? In this session, Briand Brandt will discuss the current data and best practices in this fast-moving session that is certain to have you walk away with some actionable items. This training will be recorded. Approved for 1.5 WCS CEC. Awarded 1.5 RD CPEU for live training only.	WIC Directors, Supervisors, Team Leads	Organizational Attractiveness 03/05/24	angela.gil@hhs.texas.gov
03/05	1:00-2:00	Lunch and Learn: Screening for Eligibility Join us for this updated training to learn about screening applicants for eligibility. We will cover all eligibility criteria to help staff determine when an applicant is eligible for the WIC Program. Topics will include category, processing time frames, identification, residency, income, nutritional risk, and physical presence.	WIC staff who screen applicants for eligibility	Screening for Eligibility 3.5.2024	doreen.laduca@hhs.texas.gov

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03/05 03/07 03/12 03/14	1:00-5:00 8:30-5:00 8:30-5:00 8:30-12:30 23 hours of live virtual instruction over a 2-week period. See the Texas WIC Training Catalog for additional times and to register.	TXIN Application Virtual Training Day 1 On Day 1, we provide a history of the TXIN application and explore navigation. During this session, we create a family record, add an endorser, add the participants to the family record, and document proof of residency. TXIN Application Training Day 2 On Day 2 we certify a participant and sign the Rights and Responsibilities document. This session includes a special presentation on creating and managing Nutrition Notes, Risk Codes, and High-Risk Referrals in TXIN. TXIN Application Training Day 3 In this session, we create a benefits issuance, and demonstrate how to verify and write WIC benefits to a Texas WIC Card. Additionally, we discuss, Scheduling, completing the Daily Rider, performing recertifications, mid-certs & mid-reviews, transferring families, and VOCs. The session also includes a presentation on using the myWIC app & TXIN Sandbox. TXIN Application Training Day 4 This day is all about formula management! In this session we verify formula, replace & exchange formula, return formula, create and approve a prescription, create a drop ship order, and managing breast pumps in TXIN.	New and/or existing TXIN users	March 2024 TXIN Virtual Training	debra.white1@hhs.texas.gov sandra.west@hhs.texas.gov
03/06	12:00-1:00	NE Sharing Session: Introduce new 2024 Nutrition Education reinforcement items and materials. Approved for 1.0 WCS CEC.	NE Coordinators, Training Coordinators and Directors	NE Sharing Session 3 6 2024	Kathleen.Oliver@hhs.texas.gov
03/06	1:00-5:00	Virtual Advanced Lactation Management-Session 2 Guest Speaker: Jimi Francis, MS, PhD, RDN, IBCLC This advanced-level class utilizes critical thinking & problem-solving skills during activities and case studies. Topics include: Biomechanics of Lactation, Advances in Maternal Nutrition during Lactation, part 1, and Counseling During Complex Situations, part 2. The 4 sessions can be taken in any order. CE hours awarded for several disciplines. See registration page for specific information. This course is approved for a maximum of 3.0 WCS CEC regardless of how many sessions attended.	LA staff who counsel breastfeeding mothers	Please register in advance at www.TALWD.org.	Missy.Hammer@hhs.texas.gov

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03/07	12:00-1:00	Lunch and Learn: Introduction to Child Development This training will cover the basics of child development, including an overview of developmental domains and examples of key milestones by age from 2 months to 4 years. Staff will learn the importance of monitoring child development and ways to support families through resources and referrals. Approved for 1.0 WCS CEC.	Staff Offering Nutrition Education and Counseling	Introduction to Child Development (03/07/2024)	Kaylene Thompson kaylene.thompson@hhs.texas.gov
03/12	1:00-2:00	Lunch and Learn: Ask the IBCLC This session will allow LA staff who counsel breastfeeding moms the chance to ask our IBCLCs any questions they may have. Approved for 1.0 WCS CEC.	LA staff who counsel breastfeeding mothers	Ask the IBCLC 3/12/24	Kristina.Arrieta@hhs.texas.gov
03/14	12:00-1:00	Lunch and Learn: myWIC Tips and Tricks III Join us to learn, share and discuss tips and tricks to help your clients with myWIC.	All WIC Staff	myWIC Tips and Tricks III 3.14.24	doreen.laduca@hhs.texas.gov
03/18	1:00-5:00	Virtual Advanced Lactation Management-Session 3 Guest Speaker: Emma Omoruyi, MD, MPH This advanced-level class utilizes critical thinking & problem-solving skills during activities and case studies. Topics include: Advanced Lactation Equipment, NICU Lactation Counseling, and Advanced Infant Issues (Pediatric Complications). The 4 sessions can be taken in any order. CE hours awarded for several disciplines. See registration page for specific information. This course is approved for a maximum of 3.0 WCS CEC regardless of how many sessions attended.	LA staff who counsel breastfeeding mothers	Please register in advance at www.TALWD.org.	Missy.Hammer@hhs.texas.gov
03/19	1:00-2:00	The Basics of Food Allergies This training will cover the basics of food allergies and the updates to allergy recommendations. Staff will also introduce the newly released NE materials and click and learn classes for clients regarding food allergies. Finally, there will be tips for staff regarding referrals and counseling clients on food allergies. Approved for 1.0 WCS CEC.	Staff that provide nutrition counseling and education	Food Allergy Training 3 19 24	Kathleen.Oliver@hhs.texas.gov

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03/20	1:00-5:00	Virtual Advanced Lactation Management-Session 4 Guest Speaker: Jimi Francis, MS, PhD, RDN, IBCLC This advanced-level class utilizes critical thinking & problem-solving skills during activities and case studies. Topics include: Advances in Maternal Nutrition during Lactation, part 2 and Biospecificity and Composition of Human Milk. The 4 sessions can be taken in any order. CE hours awarded for several disciplines. See registration page for specific information. This course is approved for a maximum of 3.0 WCS CEC regardless of how many sessions attended.		Please register in advance at www.TALWD.org.	Missy.Hammer@hhs.texas.gov
03/21	12:00-1:00	Lunch and Learn: Texas Ten Step Program This session will provide an overview of the program and the Ten Steps that support the mother's infant feeding goals in the birthing facility. We'll discuss tips on how to educate families about the TTS program and how to support clients who are not delivering at a TTS designated facility. Approved for 1.0 WCS CEC.	WIC staff who counsel breastfeeding clients	Texas Ten Step Program 3/21/24	Betzabel.Botello@hhs.texas.gov
03/26	1:00-2:00	High Risk Referral Policy Each Local Agency must develop their own Local Agency High Risk Policy that outlines their procedures for follow-up, identification of additional high-risk criteria beyond those specified in CS:33.0 High Risk Referrals, and their written procedures for responding to Red Flag criteria. Join us for this informative webinar to learn more about how your Local Agency can meet the policy standards. This webinar includes updated High-Risk Referral and Nutrition Notes documentation.	Local Agency staff that write a local agency specific high risk policy and/or train staff on the requirements outlined in Policy CS:33.0 High Risk Referrals	High Risk Referral Training 3.26.24	doreen.laduca@hhs.texas.gov
03/28	12:00-1:00	Lunch and Learn: Lead Check Texas This presentation will give a brief overview of the Blood Lead Surveillance Branch and the Texas Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program. The information will also cover education on testing, what signs and symptoms to look for in lead poisoning, and what can be done to prevent lead exposure, and decrease elevated lead levels. Approved for 1.0 WCS CEC.	All WIC Staff	Lead Awareness 03/28/24	Angela.gil@hhs.texas.gov

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04/02	1:00-2:00	Lunch and Learn: Breastfeeding Basics: Common Concerns and How to Address Them This session will discuss the common concerns of engorgement, plugged ducts and low milk supply. We'll review general assessment strategies and treatment methods, as well as defining scope of practice as it applies to different job duties at WIC. Approved for 1.0 WCS CEC.	WIC staff who counsel breastfeeding clients	Breastfeeding Basics 4.2.24	Kristina.Arrieta@hhs.texas.gov
04/03	12:00-1:30	WIC Leadership Series: Building Up Your Team - Improving Morale In this fast-paced session, we'll experience hands-on activities that can be applied in our own environments immediately. We'll evaluate our team's status and see how to move them forward. Be ready to gain principles for building others up and enhancing morale. Approved for 1.5 WCS CEC. Awarded 1.5 RD CPEU for live training only.	WIC Directors, Supervisors, Team Leads	Building Up Your Team 04/03/24	Angela.gil@hhs.texas.gov
04/04	12:00-1:00	Lunch and Learn: Managing Changes in Custody This webinar will review four changes in custody scenarios (Bio to Bio, Bio to Foster, Foster to Bio and Foster to Foster), how to determine if current month's benefits may be issued to the transferring participant, and how to issue them using the participant transfer process.	LA Clinic staff with a good understanding of basic TXIN functionality.	Changes of Custody in TXIN 4.4.2024	doreen.laduca@hhs.texas.gov
04/11	8:00-5:00	Lactation Principles - Houston (in-person) This breastfeeding course addresses the fundamentals of breastfeeding, utilizing various case studies, activities and group discussions. Attendance for the entire day is required to receive a completion certificate or continuing education (CE) hours. No partial credit is awarded. CE hours awarded for several disciplines. See registration page for specific information. Approved for a maximum of 3.0 WCS CEC. Registration fee is \$50. If your agency has a credit to use or are unsure, please contact Missy prior to registering.	Staff offering breastfeeding education	Please register in advance at www.TALWD.org.	Missy.Hammer@hhs.texas.gov

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04/11	12:00-1:00	Lunch and Learn: Understanding Primary, Secondary and Perceived Low Milk Supply. This presentation will help WIC staff learn how to assess and manage low milk supply as well as concerns about low milk supply. Staff will learn the difference in perceived low supply, primary low supply and secondary low supply. Approved for 1.0 WCS CEC.	WIC staff who counsel breastfeeding clients	Understanding Low Milk Supply 4/11/24	Asia.sartor@hhs.texas.gov
04/16	1:00-2:00	New LA Approval Process for Clinic Renovations and Repairs This webinar will describe how to obtain state agency approval for the renovation or repair of WIC sites. The presentation will focus on the approval process requirements and expectations for renovations, briefly highlight the approval process for purchases in general, and review forms.	LA director and designated staff who submit LA purchase requests.	New LA Approval Process for Clinic Renovations and Repairs 4.16.2024	doreen.laduca@hhs.texas.gov
04/16 04/18 04/23 04/25	23 hours of live virtual instruction over a 2-week period. See the Texas WIC Training Catalog for exact times.	TXIN Application Virtual Training Day 1 On Day 1, we provide a history of the TXIN application and explore navigation. During this session, we create a family record, add an endorser, add the participants to the family record, and document proof of residency. TXIN Application Training Day 2 On Day 2 we certify a participant and sign the Rights and Responsibilities document. This session includes a special presentation on creating and managing Nutrition Notes, Risk Codes, and High-Risk Referrals in TXIN. TXIN Application Training Day 3 In this session, we create a benefits issuance, and demonstrate how to verify and write WIC benefits to a Texas WIC Card. Additionally, we discuss, Scheduling, completing the Daily Rider, performing recertifications, mid-certs & mid-reviews, transferring families, and VOCs. The session also includes a presentation on using the myWIC app & TXIN Sandbox. TXIN Application Training Day 4 This day is all about formula management! In this session we verify formula, replace & exchange formula, return formula, create and approve a prescription, create a drop ship order, and managing breast pumps in TXIN.	New and/or existing TXIN users	April 2024 TXIN Virtual Training	debra.white1@hhs.texas.gov sandra.west@hhs.texas.gov

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04/18	12:00-1:00	Hardwiring Happiness So many of us have lost touch with the simple joys, the everyday magic, that makes life meaningful. In this workshop, Dr. Shauna Shapiro, PhD - an internationally recognized expert in mindfulness - will teach you powerful practices to live a happier, healthier, more meaningful life. She will share recent discoveries in neuroscience and show how we can all learn practices that can sculpt and strengthen our neural circuits and increase our happiness. You will learn science-based practices of mindfulness and gratitude, as well as how to recognize glimmers, micro-moments of goodness, where we feel safe and at ease. Dr. Shapiro offers a science-based roadmap for how we can re-architect the very structure of our brain for greater calm, clarity and joy. This training will be recorded and added to the LMS for a limited time. Please register in advance. Approved for 1.0 WCS CEC.	All WIC Staff	Please register in advance Hardwiring Happiness 04/18/24	Angela.gil@hhs.texas.gov
04/23	1:00-2:00	Lunch and Learn: Supporting Breastfeeding when Baby is Born Prematurely. This session will discuss the ways in which WIC staff can support breastfeeding among mothers whose babies are born prematurely. Topics such as maintaining lactation during maternal-infant separation and teaching hand expression and milk collection will be discussed. Approved for 1.0 WCS CEC.	WIC staff who counsel breastfeeding clients	Supporting Breastfeeding when baby is Born Prematurely 4.23.24	Michelle.Poole@hhs.texas.gov
04/25	12:00-1:00	Lunch and Learn: Client Disputes This training will provide an overview of what LA staff need to gather for a Client Dispute and the process for submitting the dispute on behalf of a WIC client.	LA Clinic staff with a good understanding of basic TXIN functionality and WIC food packages.	Client Disputes 4.25.2024	doreen.laduca@hhs.texas.gov
04/30	1:00-2:00	High Risk RD Sharing Session	WIC Registered Dietitians	HR RD Sharing Session 4 30 23	Stephanie.holland@hhs.texas.gov