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## **Vendor News Flash**

### **Aloe Vera Leaves Now Approved as WIC Allowable**

The WIC program is pleased to announce that aloe vera leaves are now approved for WIC participants to purchase, **beginning April 8, 2019.**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>PLU</b>
aloe vera leaves – non-organic	3064
aloe vera leaves – organic	93064

Our intent is to provide vendors with sufficient notice of this approved food change to assist in proper stocking of the product. Additionally, it is critical that all vendors **download the Approved Product List (APL)**. Stores that fail to connect to the State EBT host will NOT be able to sell aloe vera leaves to WIC participants, at your store, until an updated APL is downloaded.

Vendor Management and Operations (VMO) is ready to assist our vendor partners should you have any questions regarding the specifics of this Vendor News Flash. Please contact the Monitoring Oversight Group within VMO at [WICUPC@hhsc.state.tx.us](mailto:WICUPC@hhsc.state.tx.us).