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Vendor News Flash

EBT Point of Sale System V4 Conversion Compliance

This notice serves as a reminder that the Texas WIC Program requires authorized WIC vendors to be compliant with the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Point of Sale (POS) V4 conversion. The V4 mandate is effective on **October 1, 2020**.

The USDA mandate requires POS systems that produce and/or import claims, Authorized Product Lists (APL), Hot Card Lists (HCL) and Auto Reconciliation Files (ARF) are compliant with V4 conversion standards defined in the USDA-FNS WIC-EBT Technical Implementation Guide (TIG) 2018.

All Texas POS providers are aware of the October 1, 2020 deadline and have been working towards certification of their POS systems to produce and/or import the new file format based on the V4 standards.

WIC Vendor Action Required:

Contact your POS provider immediately to determine if your POS system is V4 compliant. Your POS provider will instruct you on what steps to take to ensure you are compliant.

As mentioned in previous Texas WIC Vendor Quarterly webinars, WIC vendor outlets must be V4 compliant by October 1, 2020. Noncompliant vendors risk having their claims rejected which means you may not get paid.

If you have already confirmed V4 compliance with your POS provider, please disregard this notice.

Vendor Management and Operations (VMO) is ready to assist our vendor partners. Should you have any questions regarding this Vendor News Flash, please contact VMO's EBT Operations Branch at WICEBTSupport@hhsc.state.tx.us.

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