



Memorandum

#19-093

TO: WIC Local Agency Directors

FROM: Amanda Hovis, Director

Nutrition Education / Clinic Services Unit

Texas WIC Program

DATE: November 18, 2019

SUBJECT: Prenatal Breastfeeding Education Bag Order Opportunity

The opportunity to order English and Spanish prenatal breastfeeding education bags is now open. The current stock of bags needs to be cleared to make room for the new 2020 bags. Please use the http://wicstaffapps.dshs.texas.gov link to order a 6-month supply of bags (enough bags to issue one to every pregnant participant for two months regardless of her intent to breastfeed as indicated by policy BF:01.0) no later than COB Dec 11, 2019. As a reminder, prenatal breastfeeding education bags are for WIC use only and should not be used for outreach or shared with WIC partners.

To ensure a smooth ordering process, please:

- Place orders in increments of 25.
- Enter orders within the assigned deadline, ensuring all orders are captured in the system.

The estimated time of arrival for this order is early Jan 2020. The next opportunity to order bags will be May 2020.

If you anticipate your clinics may run out of prenatal bags before the noted shipment, please be prepared to follow the contingency plan in policy BF:01.0:

When preassembled bags are not available, each pregnant participant should be given a breastfeeding DVD (stock no. DV0001), A Man's Guide to Breastfeeding Support brochure, and From One Generation to Another: A Grandmothers Guide to Breastfeeding brochure at a minimum, in the appropriate language in lieu of a preassembled bag.

Please report delivery discrepancies promptly. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Leticia De La Rosa, at <u>Leticia.delarosa@hhsc.state.tx.us</u> or (512) 341-4567.