

Memorandum

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- TO: WIC Regional Directors WIC Local Agency Directors
- **FROM:** Amanda Hovis, Director Nutrition Education/Clinic Services Unit Nutrition Services Section
- **DATE:** October 28, 2022

SUBJECT: Extension of COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and Waivers

This memo announces the extension of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.

On October 13, 2022, Health and Human Services Secretary Xavier Becerra extended the national COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) for 90 days through January 11, 2023. On or before January 11, the PHE will be reviewed and either ended or extended for another 90-day period.

The currently approved COVID-19 waivers remain in place for the duration of the PHE and for an additional 90 days after the PHE has formally ended. If the PHE ends on January 11, 2023, COVID-19 waivers will remain in place through April 11, 2023.

If you have any further questions about the status of the national COVID-19 Public Health Emergency or Texas WIC's COVID-19 waivers, please contact Kristy Hansen, Senior Policy and Special Projects Advisor, at <u>Kristy.Hansen@hhs.texas.gov</u>