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Vendor News Flash

Urgent Update: Additional Extension of WIC Temporary Cash Value Benefits through September 30

The increase of cash value benefits (CVB) has been *extended* for WIC participants through **September 30, 2022**. This means participants can continue to purchase more fruits and vegetables at authorized Texas WIC vendors.

Texas WIC announced in a December 10 [Vendor News Flash](#) that the temporary extension would expire on March 31, 2022. However, on March 15, the President signed the Omnibus Spending Package into law which authorizes the extension of the enhanced CVB benefit through September 30, 2022.

The current temporary CVB levels remain for fruits and vegetables:

- \$24 monthly for children
- \$43 monthly for pregnant and postpartum participants
- \$47 monthly for fully and partially breastfeeding participants
- \$70.50 for mothers breastfeeding multiple children

Benefits for the months of March 2022 through June 2022 have already been issued for many WIC participants and the increased dollar amount for fruits and vegetables is not included on their WIC cards. Texas WIC is in the process of notifying participants to go back to their clinic to reload their WIC card for future months. Should you get questions from participants, please advise them to go back to their clinic.

All WIC policies relating to approved fruits and vegetables still apply and have not changed.

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