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To: Oregon WIC-authorized Vendors  
From: WIC Vendor Management Services Team  
RE: 2009 WIC Vendor Application Periods



\* This message is being sent to all Oregon WIC vendors via email or US mail. \*

**Action required: Please share with all store owners and contracts staff.**

The Oregon WIC Program will launch Fresh Choices and a new WIC Food package on August 1, 2009. Mandatory training of all current WIC-authorized vendors will occur throughout this spring and into early summer. During this transition period, the State WIC office will not accept applications from prospective WIC-authorized vendors. **Specifically, applications will not be accepted from April 15, 2009 through August 15, 2009.**

What this means for WIC vendor applicants:

- Prospective WIC vendors may continue to request that a WIC vendor application packet be mailed to them at any time.
- Starting April 15<sup>th</sup> vendor applicants (including new stores in large and small chains) should hold onto their application materials and submit them to the Oregon WIC Program anytime on or after August 15<sup>th</sup>.
- On August 15<sup>th</sup>, the Oregon WIC vendor team will resume accepting and processing new vendor applications and scheduling on-site visits and training.

All WIC-authorized vendors will be receiving information on Fresh Choices food changes in the coming months. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Oregon WIC vendor team at 971-673-0060.

If you need this information in an alternate format, please contact  
Michael Conkey at 971-673-0040.

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