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NOTICE

We have been advised by the Department of State Health Service's (DSHS) Chief Financial Officer that processing of all WIC claims into the department's accounting system will be halted the week of August 29th through noon on Friday September 2nd. This several days stoppage is being caused by the need for DSHS to close its accounting records for FY11 and set up all budgets/accounts for State FY12. In addition, the State Comptroller's Uniform Statewide Accounting System (USAS) will also be unavailable for business for one and one-half days that week while it transitions its budget and accounting system to state fiscal year 2012. State fiscal year 2012 officially begins September 1, 2011.

The WIC Program will resume processing/transmitting claims again beginning noon on Friday September 2nd barring any unforeseen delay. However, if there is a further delay and/or the backlog of claims cannot be entered through the department system and to the State Comptroller's Office by close of business on Friday September 2nd, then the next available window of opportunity will be Tuesday September 6th after the Labor Day holiday (Monday September 5th).

We sincerely regret this delay in the payment process. Please understand it is beyond the control of the WIC Program to avoid.