

WIC Vendor Advisory Council (WVAC) Agenda
April 28, 2009 2 – 4 pm
Wethersfield Police Station, Wethersfield

Topics for discussion

- Checks for non-contract standard formula - Enfamil LIPIL, ProSobee LIPIL, Similac Advance, Similac Sensative, Isomil Advance, Isomil DF Gentlease LIPIL, and Lactofree LIPIL, Next Step ProSobee LIPIL and Similac Go and Grow Soy
 - After July 1, fewer checks for these products
 - After October 1, no checks for these products

New Food Packages

- New implementation date - October 1, 2009
 - Implications of the date change on vendors re: holiday period
- Vendor Training Schedule – August, 2009
 - Implications of the timing re: vacation schedules
- Presentation: Yale University, Rudd Center for Food Policy and Obesity
- Ability to use another form of payment with the CVC
- New food items to be approved in Connecticut
- Phase in/out of new checks related to phase in/out of new products-Next Retailer Mailing
 - Checks - Old checks=green color, new checks=cranberry color
 - Juice - Decreased amount of canned juice October –December and no cans of juice after January 1. Reset shelf space as 46 oz cans will be replaced by 64 oz plastic bottles.
 - Milk - Decreased amount of checks where participant chooses type of milk. No whole milk for women and children 2-5 years old (2%, 1% Skim are the only options).
 - Infant Foods, Bread, Fresh Fruits & Vegetables-Reset shelf space
 - Additional suggestions?
- Next steps for Vendors – Assurances that we're ready
 - How will vendors handle both food lists?
 - Are vendors identifying distributors who can service their store with the new items?
 - What are the vendors' plans for addressing the fresh fruit & vegetable stocking requirement?
 - Any plans to survey your customers for fruit/vegetable preferences?
 - Should we survey WIC authorized stores for the specific items that they'll carry?

Next Meeting

Tuesday, July 28, 2009 2-4 pm
DOT Building, Newington