Above 50%-Vendors: No Longer Authorized

Starting October 1st, 2013, Rhode Island WIC Program decided not to authorize “Above 50%-vendors” (A50%V). In January of 2014, any authorized vender that was A50%V, was terminated from WIC Program.

Due to budget sequestration and the requirements of cost containment provisions in § 246.12(g)(4), Rhode Island WIC Program had decided to eliminate A50%V. According to current Vendor Policies, if New* WIC Vendor is determined to be an “Above 50% Vendor” (A50%V), they will not be authorized by RI WIC Program.

According to provisions in § 246.2 Definitions, Above-50% vendors means vendors that derive more than 50 percent of their annual food sales revenue from WIC food instruments, and new vendor applicants expected to meet this criterion under guidelines approved by FNS.

If there are any questions, contact RI state office at these numbers (401)-222-4633, 222-4630, 222-4637 or email us: DOH.wicvendorsupport@health.ri.gov

* New A50%V will be those vendors who are not currently A50%V but become A50%V throughout their authorization period due to changes in their WIC redemption data and food sales.

Si necesita ayuda en entender esta carta, por favor, llame al 222-4623 donde le ayudarán con la traducción