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SUBJECT: WIC Policy Memorandum: #2019-4
Publication of the 2019-2020 Special Supplemental Nutrition Program
for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Income Eligibility Guidelines

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This policy memorandum transmits the 2019-2020 Income Eligibility Guidelines (IEGs) for the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) that were published in the Federal Register on April 26, 2019, at 84 FR 17775.

Section 17(d) (2) (A) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1786(d)(2) (A)), requires the establishment of income criteria to be used with nutritional risk criteria in determining a person's eligibility for participation in the WIC Program. Income eligibility for the WIC Program is determined using income standards as prescribed under section 9(b) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(b)). The income limit is 185 percent of the Federal poverty guidelines, as adjusted. Section 9(b) also requires that these guidelines be revised annually to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index. The annual revision for 2019 was published by the Department of Health and Human Services at 84 FR 1167, on February 1, 2019. In accordance with the established income guidance, the revised WIC income eligibility guidelines are to be used in conjunction with the WIC regulations at 7 CFR 246.7(d).

WIC State agencies may implement the revised IEGs concurrently with the implementation of IEGs under the Medicaid Program. State agencies that do not coordinate implementation with the Medicaid Program must implement the revised WIC IEGs no later than July 1, 2019.

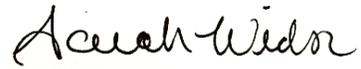
WIC State agencies must ensure that Management Information Systems incorporate the 2019-2020 changes accordingly.

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Regional and State Agency Directors

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A supplemental chart is attached for State agencies to use in determining the annual, monthly, twice-monthly, biweekly and weekly income limits. There is also a chart for families greater than eight.

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INCOME ELIBILITY GUIDELINES
(Effective from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020)

Household Size	Federal Poverty Guidelines- 100%					Reduced Price Meals - 185%				
	Annual	Monthly	Twice-Monthly	Bi-Weekly	Weekly	Annual	Monthly	Twice-Monthly	Bi-Weekly	Weekly
48 Contiguous States, D.C., Guam and Territories										
1	\$12,490	\$1,041	\$521	\$481	\$241	\$23,107	\$1,926	\$963	\$889	\$445
2	16,910	1,410	705	651	326	31,284	2,607	1,304	1,204	602
3	21,330	1,778	889	821	411	39,461	3,289	1,645	1,518	759
4	25,750	2,146	1,073	991	496	47,638	3,970	1,985	1,833	917
5	30,170	2,515	1,258	1,161	581	55,815	4,652	2,326	2,147	1,074
6	34,590	2,883	1,442	1,331	666	63,992	5,333	2,667	2,462	1,231
7	39,010	3,251	1,626	1,501	751	72,169	6,015	3,008	2,776	1,388
8	43,430	3,620	1,810	1,671	836	80,346	6,696	3,348	3,091	1,546
Each add'l family member add	+ \$4,420	+ \$369	+ \$185	+ \$170	+ \$85	+ \$8,177	+ \$682	+ \$341	+ \$315	+ \$158
Alaska										
1	\$15,600	\$1,300	\$650	\$600	\$300	\$28,860	\$2,405	\$1,203	\$1,110	\$555
2	21,130	1,761	881	813	407	39,091	3,258	1,629	1,504	752
3	26,660	2,222	1,111	1,026	513	49,321	4,111	2,056	1,897	949
4	32,190	2,683	1,342	1,239	620	59,552	4,963	2,482	2,291	1,146
5	37,720	3,144	1,572	1,451	726	69,782	5,816	2,908	2,684	1,342
5	43,250	3,605	1,803	1,664	832	80,013	6,668	3,334	3,078	1,539
7	48,780	4,065	2,033	1,877	939	90,243	7,521	3,761	3,471	1,736
8	54,310	4,526	2,263	2,089	1,045	100,474	8,373	4,187	3,865	1,933
Each add'l family member add	+ \$5,530	+ \$461	+ \$231	+ \$213	+ \$107	+ \$10,231	+ \$853	+ \$427	+ \$394	+ \$197
Hawaii										
1	\$14,380	\$1,199	\$600	\$554	\$277	\$26,603	\$2,217	\$1,109	\$1,024	\$512
2	19,460	1,622	811	749	375	36,001	3,001	1,501	1,385	693
3	24,540	2,045	1,023	944	472	45,399	3,784	1,892	1,747	874
4	29,620	2,469	1,235	1,140	570	54,797	4,567	2,284	2,108	1,054
5	34,700	2,892	1,446	1,335	668	64,195	5,350	2,675	2,470	1,235
6	39,780	3,315	1,658	1,530	765	73,593	6,133	3,067	2,831	1,416
7	44,860	3,739	1,870	1,726	863	82,991	6,916	3,458	3,192	1,596
8	49,940	4,162	2,081	1,921	961	92,389	7,700	3,850	3,554	1,777
Each add'l family member add	+ \$5,080	+ \$424	+ \$212	+ \$196	+ \$98	+ \$9,398	+ \$784	+ \$392	+ \$362	+ \$181

Income Eligibility Guidelines
(Effective from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020)
Household Size Larger Than 8

Household Size	Federal Poverty Guidelines- 100%					Reduced Price Meals - 185%				
	Annual	Monthly	Twice-Monthly	Bi-Weekly	Weekly	Annual	Monthly	Twice-Monthly	Bi-Weekly	Weekly
48 Contiguous States, D.C., Guam and Territories										
9	\$47,850	\$3,988	\$1,994	\$1,841	\$921	\$88,523	\$7,377	\$3,689	\$3,405	\$1,703
10	52,270	4,356	2,178	2,011	1,006	96,700	8,059	4,030	3,720	1,860
11	56,690	4,725	2,363	2,181	1,091	104,877	8,740	4,370	4,034	2,017
12	61,110	5,093	2,547	2,351	1,176	113,054	9,422	4,711	4,349	2,175
13	65,530	5,461	2,731	2,521	1,261	121,231	10,103	5,052	4,663	2,332
14	69,950	5,830	2,915	2,691	1,346	129,408	10,784	5,392	4,978	2,489
15	74,370	6,198	3,099	2,861	1,431	137,585	11,466	5,733	5,292	2,646
16	78,790	6,566	3,283	3,031	1,516	145,762	12,147	6,074	5,607	2,804
Each add'l family member add	+ \$4,420	+ \$369	+ \$185	+ \$170	+ \$85	+ \$8,177	+ \$682	+ \$341	+ \$315	+ \$158
Alaska										
9	\$59,840	\$4,987	\$2,494	\$2,302	\$1,151	\$110,704	\$9,226	\$4,613	\$4,258	\$2,129
10	65,370	5,448	2,724	2,515	1,258	120,935	10,078	5,039	4,652	2,326
11	70,900	5,909	2,955	2,727	1,364	131,165	10,931	5,466	5,045	2,523
12	76,430	6,370	3,185	2,940	1,470	141,396	11,783	5,892	5,439	2,720
13	81,960	6,830	3,415	3,153	1,577	151,626	12,636	6,318	5,832	2,916
14	87,490	7,291	3,646	3,365	1,683	161,857	13,489	6,745	6,226	3,113
15	93,020	7,752	3,876	3,578	1,789	172,087	14,341	7,171	6,619	3,310
16	98,550	8,213	4,107	3,791	1,896	182,318	15,194	7,597	7,013	3,507
Each add'l family member add	+ \$5,530	+ \$461	+ \$231	+ \$213	+ \$107	+ \$10,231	+ \$853	+ \$427	+ \$394	+ \$197
Hawaii										
9	\$55,020	\$4,585	\$2,293	\$2,117	\$1,059	\$101,787	\$8,483	\$4,242	\$3,915	\$1,958
10	60,100	5,009	2,505	2,312	1,156	111,185	9,266	4,633	4,277	2,139
11	65,180	5,432	2,716	2,507	1,254	120,583	10,049	5,025	4,638	2,319
12	70,260	5,855	2,928	2,703	1,352	129,981	10,832	5,416	5,000	2,500
13	75,340	6,279	3,140	2,898	1,449	139,379	11,615	5,808	5,361	2,681
14	80,420	6,702	3,351	3,094	1,547	148,777	12,399	6,200	5,723	2,862
15	85,500	7,125	3,563	3,289	1,645	158,175	13,182	6,591	6,084	3,042
16	90,580	7,549	3,775	3,484	1,742	167,573	13,965	6,983	6,446	3,223
Each add'l family member add	+ \$5,080	+ \$424	+ \$212	+ \$196	+ \$98	+ \$9,398	+ \$784	+ \$392	+ \$362	+ \$181