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Exciting News!

The “American Rescue Plan Act of 2021” is new legislation from the Federal Government that states WIC Programs can increase the amount of cash-value benefits under qualifying food packages to an amount that is less than or equal to \$35.

This means we can increase the CVB amounts that we give to Women and Children WIC participants for the months of June 2021 through September 2021 to \$35.00.

As of Friday, March 25th, 2021 changes will be visible on the Shopping List for June benefits being issued. Staff will not need to make changes to any new issuances. The LAWIN system will provide the correct amounts for all the months being issued.

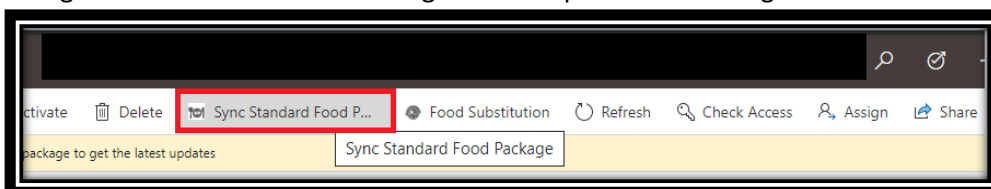
For those families that have already been issued benefits for June, they can choose to come back and staff can modify benefits and write to card to increase their June benefit to the correct amount. This can be done any time between now and June. Some of those families may already have a June follow-up appointment scheduled, so staff would just modify benefit, write, and add the remaining months.

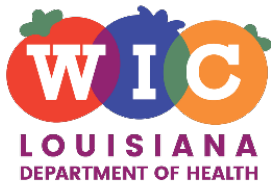
BENEFITS ISSUED FOR THE MONTHS OF:

SHOPPING LIST ITEMS	March, 2021	April, 2021	May, 2021	June, 2021
105-13.6 OZ ENFAMIL NEUROPRO ENFACARE PDR	10.00 can	10.00 can	11.00 can	11.00 can
64-OZ WIC JUICE LEAST EXPENSIVE BRAND	2.00 btl	2.00 btl	2.00 btl	2.00 btl
ALL WIC APPROVED CHEESE	1.00 lb	1.00 lb	1.00 lb	1.00 lb
DOZ EGGS	1.00 dozen	1.00 dozen	1.00 dozen	1.00 dozen
FRUITS AND VEGETABLES	9.00 value	9.00 value	9.00 value	35.00 value
GAL WHOLE MILK	3.00 gal	3.00 gal	3.00 gal	3.00 gal
LB DRY OR 4 CANS BEANS/PEAS	1.00 container	1.00 container	1.00 container	1.00 container
LB WIC WHOLE GRAINS	2.00 lb	2.00 lb	2.00 lb	2.00 lb
WHOLE MILK YOGURT	1.00 qt	1.00 qt	1.00 qt	1.00 qt
WIC BREAKFAST CEREAL	36.00 ounce	36.00 ounce	36.00 ounce	36.00 ounce

If staff come across a Participant Food Package in ‘Unverified’ state, there are 2 options to correct:

1. Go to ‘Participant Food Package’ → Click on ‘Sync Standard Food Package’ (System will Sync the changes from Standard Food Package to Participant Food Package)





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2. OR: Go to Current Month Issuance → Perform Modify Benefits (System will Auto-Sync the Package changes during issuance)

If you run into any issues when issuing or modifying, please contact the LAWIN Service Desk.

Check our Louisiana WIC website's clinic staff section for news and promotions about this increased CVB benefit at <https://louisianawic.org/wic-clinic-staff/>