

Increase in Cash Value Benefit (CVB) Permanent!

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An advanced copy of the *Final Rule: Revision in the WIC Food Packages (2024)* has been published and includes the increased levels of the Cash Value Benefit (CVB) for Women and Children. Now that this increase is permanent, we can update the Default Food Packages in HuBERT to include these higher CVB amounts.

Default Food Packages to be Updated!

Beginning Monday April 22, the increased CVB levels will be available in the Default Food Packages (DFPs) in HuBERT.

To minimize the number of new food prescriptions that Local Agencies will need to create we will temporarily keep the **Fruit/Veg CVB - 26, 47, and 52 dollars** food item active in HuBERT to allow issuance of this food item until a new food prescription needs to be created for the participant.

However, if you have a participant with the **Fruits and Vegetables - (WIC-ALLOWED)** food item with the lower CVB amount you will need to create a new food prescription using the updated DFPs with the higher CVB level.

If current Food Prescription Includes:

Fruit/Veg CVB - 26, 47, and 52 dollars →

Continue to issue until a new food prescription is needed.

Fruits and Vegetables - (WIC-ALLOWED) →

Create a new food prescription with updated DFPs with the higher CVB.

The changes to the **Fruits and Vegetables - (WIC-ALLOWED)** food item and DFPs will be made the weekend of **April 20-21; HuBERT will be unavailable** during this time.

Food Adjustment Wizard and CVBs

You should NEVER use the Food Adjustment Wizard to adjust CVB amounts! Benefits can only be voided and reissued if no redemption has occurred. If voided, you will need to create a new food prescription with the appropriate CVB food item based on the participant's PFDTU.

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