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Notice of Vendor Sanction Schedule Revision

This WIC & SEBTC Vendor Alert is to let you know about a recent change to the ITCA WIC Vendor Sanction Schedule. Please save a copy of the newest Sanction Schedule for your records.

Effective October 1, 2020

- The ITCA WIC Program Vendor Sanction Schedule has been revised to include the maximum dollar value of a civil money penalty imposed for illegal sales and trafficking violations.
- A copy of the revised Vendor Sanction Schedule is included with this WIC & SEBTC Alert and can be accessed online at <u>Vendor Sanctions Schedule effective October 1, 2020</u>. See below for the revised section.

Civil Money Penalty Revision

"Except for violation A-1 above, if ITCA determines that disqualification of a vendor results in inadequate client access, a civil money penalty is imposed in lieu of disqualification. Civil money penalties are calculated following the method in 7CFR §246.12(I)(1)(x). The amount of the civil money penalty, codified at 42 U.S.C.1786(o)(1)(A) and 42 U.S.C. 1786(o)(4)(B), shall not exceed the amount specified in §3.91(b)(3)(v) of this title (currently \$15,692) for each violation. The total amount of civil money penalties imposed for violations investigated as part of a single investigation may not exceed the amount specified in §3.91(b)(3)(v) of this title (currently \$62,767) as the maximum penalty for violations occurring during a single investigation. A civil money penalty is not to be imposed in lieu of disqualification for third or subsequent sanctions for mandatory sanctions. If the vendor does not pay, or pay in accordance to the authorized installment payment plan or only partially pays a civil money penalty assessed in lieu of disqualification, ITCA must disqualify the vendor for the length of the disqualification corresponding to the most serious violation for which the civil money penalty was assessed."

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