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FNS 698: PROFILE OF INTEGRITY PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES (PIPP) FNS-698 - OMB Form Number: 0584-0401

SECTION 1: Vendor Selection, Limitation and Authorization

FI = Food Instrument

1 The State agency limits the number of vendors it authorizes:

Select
Yes, State-wide
Yes, for geographic areas within the State
No

2 Vendor applicants are notified of authorization within how many days of initial submission?

3 The State Agency contracts with vendors:

Check only one box

- On an on-going basis
- Annually
- Every 2 years
- Every 3 years
- Other (specify below)

Other time period:

4 The WIC Program uses standard selection criteria for evaluating vendors which include:

Check all that apply

- Minimum variety and quantity of authorized supplemental foods
- Competitive prices
- Lack of a record of criminal conviction or civil judgement for specified activities
- Lack of a history of serious vendor violations
- Lack of history of serious Food Stamp Program (FSP) violations
- Must be FSP authorized
- Not currently disqualified from FSP
- Must provide a variety of foods other than WIC supplemental foods
- Must obtain infant formula only from the sources on the State Agency's list of infant formula wholesalers, distributors, and retailers, licensed under State law/regulations and manufacturers registered with the Food and Drug Administration
- Must obtain prior approval to provide incentive items to WIC participants if the store derives more than 50 percent of its annual food sales revenue from WIC food instruments
- Other (specify below)

Other criteria used:

5 Each vendor's prices are monitored to ensure that redemptions do not rise to a level that would make the vendor ineligible for authorization:

Select One
Yes
No

6 On-site visits are performed to verify information received during the authorization process.

Check only one box

- For new vendors only
- For new vendors and for previously authorized vendors

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