

**APPENDIX D:  
REGIONAL OFFICE STUDY ANNOUNCEMENT EMAIL**

**FNS will email the Regional Offices and include the State Agency Announcement and study brochure as attachments to their email**

Dear [WIC Regional Contact],

I am contacting you to notify you of the upcoming start of data collection for the **WIC Nutrition Education Study (NEST)**, a 5-year study being conducted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS). Details about the study and the information our research partners, RTI International and Altarum Institute, will send State Agencies in about a week are attached.

Thank you for your assistance in championing this important study of WIC nutrition education. If you have questions regarding the study, please contact me or Karen Castellanos-Brown, the Project Officer at FNS, at [Karen.Castellanos-Brown@fns.usda.gov](mailto:Karen.Castellanos-Brown@fns.usda.gov) or (703) 305-2732.

Sincerely,

[FNS HQ WIC Team Contact]