

**TRANSMITTAL TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**PROPOSED RULES OF**  
**THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICE**

**Subject:**

Chapter HFS 149, relating to the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) vendors and participants, and affecting small businesses.

**Federal statutes or regulations which require adoption of or are relevant to the substance of proposed rules:**

The Department operates the WIC Program under a State Plan pursuant to 7 CFR 246.4. The State Plan is a plan of program operation and administration that describes the manner in which the Department implements and operates all aspects of the WIC Program in Wisconsin. The State Plan addresses vendor management including selection and authorization, training and monitoring, compliance investigations, and vendor sanctions that are related to this rule. The State Plan also addresses participant certification and eligibility including dual participation, participant rights and responsibilities, fair hearing procedures, and a sanction system that are related to this rule.

**Court decisions directly relevant to the proposed rule:**

None known.

**Public hearings:**

A public hearing is required; however, a public hearing has not yet been scheduled for this proposed rule.

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