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Ms. Norma Longoria, WIC Project Director
LA# 12, Hidalgo County Health Department
3105 West University Drive
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Dear Norma:

The Department of State Health Services Nutrition Services Section requests that the Hidalgo County Health Department WIC Program, which currently serves Hidalgo County, expand its service area to include Starr County starting September 1, 2007. If the County accepts, the State Agency will provide the agency up to \$80,000 as a cash advance for any start-up costs associated with this expansion into Starr County. Hidalgo County Health Department WIC Program would bill costs related to Starr County on a separate *State of Texas Reimbursement Voucher, B-13*, and the State Agency would reimburse Hidalgo County Health Department WIC Program actual expenses for any costs associated with expansion into Starr County in fiscal year (FY) 2007.

If the agency provides services in Starr County, Hidalgo County's WIC per participant cost reimbursement rate will increase from a per participant rate of \$9.50 in FY 07 to \$11.00 in FY 08. This increase in per participant cost should be significant enough to reimburse all expenses incurred in Starr County in FY 08.

If you have any questions regarding this request please contact, Linda Brumble, Unit Manager, Nutrition Education/Clinic Services Unit, at (512) 458-7111, extension 2241.

Sincerely,


Mike Montgomery, Section Director
Nutrition Services Section