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Subject: Friday Update Jan 15

Hi Everyone,

The WIC Program Office will be closed Monday, January 18, for Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Day.

1. **Reminder--ABC Conference in Anchorage on April 29 & 30**
2. **AK WIC Website--** WIC health.org link has been added to the AK WIC web site on the participant's page at: <http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dpa/programs/nutri/WIC/Participants/Default.htm>. Basic instructions for use are available there.
3. **AKWIC Update—**Please leave your WIC computers turned-on this weekend so that they receive the new build. The enhancements include:
 - Allow for multiple Check printers with unique MICR line settings
 - Update 505 participation reports to count infants receiving Medicaid assistants and not otherwise counted.
 - Update to ENPR tab page to correct tab text color when modifying an existing ENPR.
 - Improvements to laptop check-out/check-in function.

There are no changes to the end user procedures—Bart

Nice to Know:

USA Drug Discount Cards

The Community Action Network has USA Drug Discount Cards that can be used for prescription medicine at pharmacies.* The cards are distributed through Community Action Network, an outreach program sponsored by National Benefit Builders, Inc and have no expiration, are reusable, and covers the entire family. While anyone can use the cards, the discount has vast potential benefit to the uninsured and underinsured. As the attached fact sheets (in English and Spanish) indicate, the cards can assist senior citizens in filling Part D and insurance gaps. There is a comparison web site that allows the consumer to maximize the discount, estimated at between 10-80% (average 20% for generic brand).

The cards can be distributed at consumer events, local assistance offices and through any venue that reaches those in need. We would encourage you to share this information with your state agencies and partner organizations that work directly with the public. Linda Grinthal, Outreach Coordinator, Community Action Network, can be reached at 973-551-4936 to order. Linda's email is LGrinthal@NBBicard.com. There is no limit to the quantity that can be ordered.