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Hi Everyone,

I will be out of the office next week. Please contact Dana Kent in my absence. Dana can be reached at [Dana.Kent@alaska.gov](mailto:Dana.Kent@alaska.gov) or at 465-5322.

Take care, have a great weekend,

Kathleen



1. **Welcome Back Wendy--**

Wendy Christianson has returned to the North Slope Borough DHSS as the WIC Program Coordinator. She was previously employed as the Coordinator for the WIC Program from 2006 – 2010. She has worked for many years as a Registered Dietitian and Public Health Nutritionist in Minnesota, Montana, Kentucky, Indiana, New Zealand, Arizona and Alaska. Wendy is pursuing ordination as a minister.

2. **End of Year Grant Spending---** If LA would like to use WIC grant funds to send additional staff to attend the lactation training covered under the Astho grant, please submit a Line Item Budget Revision (LIBR) through eGrants and we will approve this budget change.

3. **Rack Cards-** Your agency has probably received some rack cards (if not, they're in the mail) with a message on marijuana, alcohol and tobacco. Please take the brief survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RL356B5>  
Contact Jennifer Johnson with any questions at 465-8104.

4. **CPA Training Reminder:** Our CPA Continuing education has included an activity every month. Our next quarterly teleconference is scheduled for May 10 (Tuesday) at 9:00 AM.

Our topic is **Participant Goal Setting**. I'll send out a reminder to CPAs next week along with a short workbook. Please send questions and suggestions to Jennifer Johnson at 465-8104.

5. **Alaska Food Circle**: The Tanana Chiefs Conference WIC Program has developed a wonderful Alaska Food Circle- adapting the My Plate to highlight foods from their area. Thanks so much to Anne Burtness and Dorrie Breese for your amazing work. They also used the concept at the Tanana Chiefs Conference Annual Convention. "Our Activity was build my plate and we had pictures of different species of interior fish, animals, birds and plants that people consume. ". The PDF is attached – including a second side with recipes promoting WIC foods. If you'd like the word document so you can adapt it for your area, please let me know. Jennifer Johnson at 465-8104
6. **Update from WIChealth.org**: Great News! An abbreviated version of wichealthsupport.org will be available this week which will include client search and access to resources (promotional materials, evaluations reports, etc). We expect to launch the stat reports feature and the ability to login to the main wichealth site as a client next week.

In order for us to give access to your state, agency and clinic staff, we need to upload their email addresses into the new system. At this time, everyone who previously had an account with wichealth.org, will receive an email on Friday, April 29, 2016 instructing them to click on a link to complete the registration process. During the registration process, staff will set their username, password and security question.

7. **Update on Food Allergy Risk 428 attached**: this guidance comes from the USDA. They are in the process of updating Risk Factor 428 to reflect current scientific information on allergies. Please contact Jennifer Johnson with questions and suggestions. 465-8104

Nice to Know:

1. Resource and Referral: Sexual Assault Can Happen in Relationships, Too | Office on Women's Health Blog

<http://www.womenshealth.gov/blog/sexual-assault-relationships.html>