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Hello, everyone-

Kathleen is off and I'm bringing you this short Friday update.

Happy Halloween! Please send us pictures of any fun activities you have on Monday.

We'll be sending information about nutrition education materials which are available every other week in the Friday update, so Jenny can keep up with the orders- but please be sure to order things that will be useful at your clinic. We bought a lot of great materials with our end of year funds and we'd like to get them out there..

Have a good weekend

*Jennifer*

- 1. Tundra Cooking Videos**---the Alaska DHSS Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and Education (SNAP ED) in cooperation with UAF's Center for Alaska Native Health Research has developed a series of cooking demonstration videos. The videos highlight WIC foods and tundra plants specifically from the Yukon-Kuskokwim area. More videos highlighting traditional fruits and vegetables are being planned. The videos are located on the state's WIC website at <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/nutri/default.aspx>. Please share these videos with your clients and program partners. \*We'll be sending out some further guidance on how to use the videos, and how you can help us evaluate them. Contact Jennifer ([jennifer.johnson@alaska.gov](mailto:jennifer.johnson@alaska.gov) or 465-8104) with thoughts and suggestions- we hope to have funds to produce some videos in other regions in the near future.
- 2. Replies to your questions from the Coordinator's meeting:** We collected all the post-its, and we've started answering the questions. If you don't see yours on here- it may be coming in the next batch. And if you have any other questions, please send them to Jennifer ([jennifer.johnson@alaska.gov](mailto:jennifer.johnson@alaska.gov)).
- 3. Foster Care and Adjunctive Eligible Income**  
A question from a local agency asked about entering income for foster care children. Since most foster care recipients are on DKC, income must be entered for them. If a foster care parent can't provide that information for you, there is a resource to use for estimating monthly income.  
Use the Foster Care Rate Schedule by Community (see attachment) to look up the daily rate for the community the foster care family resides in. The rate is by day so this should be multiplied by 30 to have an estimated income to report in SPIRIT. If you have questions, please contact Dana Kent at [dana.kent@alaska.gov](mailto:dana.kent@alaska.gov) or 465-5322.

**4. More Income Information**

If you are using the American Indian / Alaska Native Income Waiver form in your region, you still must collect a verbal or written income for the family applying to WIC. The income doesn't have to be verified, only reported in SPIRIT. If you have questions, please contact Dana Kent at [dana.kent@alaska.gov](mailto:dana.kent@alaska.gov) or 465-5322.

5. **Notes from Policy teleconference**, (thanks Jenny!!) attached here-

**6. Early Halloween Fun**

Anyone want to guess which WIC clinic is represented in this picture? Looks like this group will be handing out S'More treats. (No tricks.)

Very cute!! (compliments of the North Slope Borough WIC office)