Ohio Revised Code
Section 3701.132 Special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants and children.
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(A) As used in this section, "WIC program" means the "special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children" established under the "Child Nutrition Act of 1966," 80 Stat. 885, 42 U.S.C. 1786, as amended.

(B) The department of health is hereby designated as the state agency to administer the WIC program.

The director of health shall adopt rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code as necessary for administering the WIC program. The rules may include civil money penalties for violations of the rules. The rules shall require a contract the department enters into with a WIC clinic to include provisions requiring the clinic to promote the use of technology-based resources, such as mobile telephone or text messaging applications, that offer tips on having a healthy pregnancy and healthy baby to clinic clients who are pregnant or have an infant who is less than one year of age.

(C) In determining eligibility for services provided under the WIC program, the department may use the application form established under section 5163.40 of the Revised Code for the healthy start program. The department may require applicants to furnish their social security numbers.

(D) If the department determines that a vendor has committed an act with respect to the WIC program that federal statutes or regulations or state statutes or rules prohibit, the department shall take action against the vendor in the manner required by 7 C.F.R. part 246, including imposition of a civil money penalty in accordance with 7 C.F.R. 246.12, or rules adopted under this section.