



FARMERS MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM (FMNP) 2017 MARKET MANAGER TRAINING





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Program Background

- Two federal FMNP programs:
 - Women, Infants and Children (WIC) FMNP;
 - Senior FMNP
- Funding: U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the State of Washington
- Agencies: Department of Health and Department of Social and Health Services
- Collaborators: Washington State Farmers Market Association, local WIC clinics, Senior Nutrition Providers, Area Agencies on Aging, growers, market managers and advocates



FMNP Goals:

- Provide fresh, nutritious, unprocessed, locally grown fruits, vegetables and cut herbs to WIC participants & low income seniors
- Expand awareness, use, and sales at farmers markets and authorized farm stores
- Provide nutrition information to WIC and Senior participants, such as the importance of fruits and vegetables in their diet and how to store and prepare them





WIC FMNP:

- Administered by the Washington State Dept. of Health (DOH)
- Part of USDA/Food and Nutrition Services
- Each WIC participant receives up to \$20
- 27,670 clients served in 2016
- \$553,392 food dollars

SENIOR FMNP:

- Administered by the Washington State Dept. of Social and Health Services (DSHS)
- Part of the USDA Senior Nutrition Program
- Each Senior participant receives up to \$40
- 18,106 seniors served in 2016
- \$724,248 food dollars





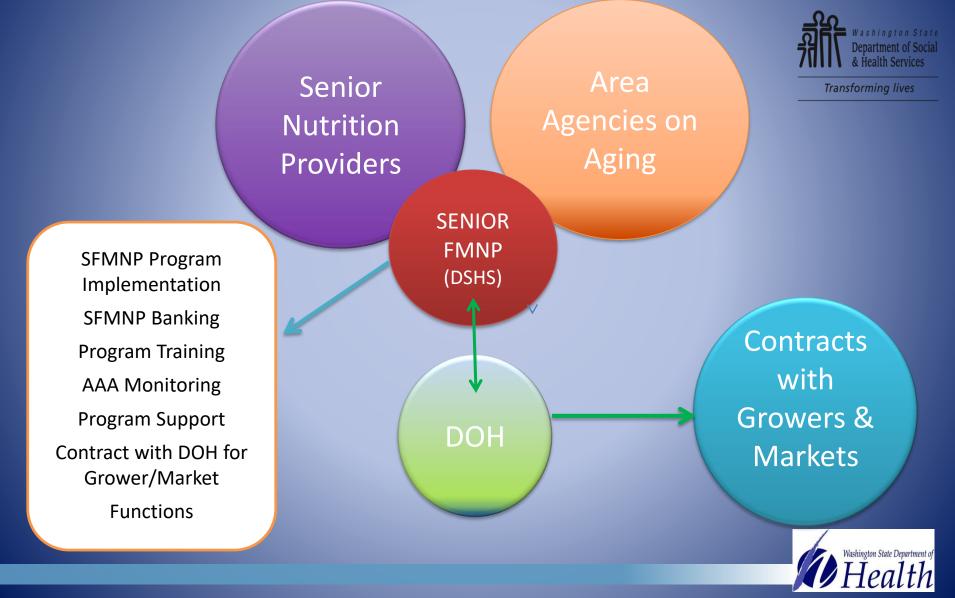
WIC and Senior Check design



How FMNP Works



How Senior FMNP Works





Grower Application

For consideration a Grower:

- Must produce a portion of the eligible foods they sell
- <u>CANNOT</u> exclusively sell produce grown by others
- Must locate farm store on the property where food is grown <u>After approval</u>:
- Will receive a Grower ID with a copy of the signed contract
- Market manager will receive a report with a list of all the authorized Growers and their ID's allowed to sell at their market
- Refer to the WIC and Senior FMNP Information Manual for Market Managers and Growers at: <u>ww.doh.wa.gov/farmersmarket</u>



Market Application

Returning Markets

- Must have at least five FMNP authorized growers selling at their markets each year
- Must redeem at least \$250 combined WIC and Senior FMNP food dollars annually
- Must have market manager or trained market staff on-site during operating hours
- New market managers must be available for training prior to the start of the FMNP season



Market Application

New Markets

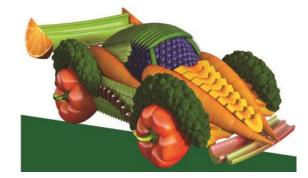
- FMNP will consider a new market only if there is participant access need
- Must be in operation for at least one year prior to submitting an application
- Must have at least five FMNP authorized growers signed up to participate at their market
- Must have market manager on-site during operating hours
- Must have a market manager available for training prior to the start of the FMNP season





Starting the FMNP Season

The FMNP season starts June 1, 2017



- Market managers will receive their FMNP Reports before the start of the season, via email
- If a grower is not listed on the report contact us
- Ask previously authorized growers not to hang the FMNP sign until you receive confirmation they are authorized for the current season
- Assure authorized growers on your list display the FMNP sign and accept FMNP checks, and understand the FMNP rules
- Let a new grower know they can apply and direct them to the FMNP website:

http://www.doh.wa.gov/YouandYourFamily/WIC/FarmersMarket



Day 1

Check in with each grower:

- Are they on your FMNP report?
- Do they have a signed contract?
- Do they know their ID?
- ✓ Do they have a secure place for checks?
- Do they have a FMNP sign?
- If returning, can you provide them with season changes?
- If new, when can you set up training?







Displaying Signs:

 Make sure Growers display signs where customers can see them and can identify them as authorized growers



 Let us know if you run out of signs at <u>FMNPTeam@doh.wa.gov</u> or

1-800-841-1410



Eligible Foods

What does eligible mean?

- Locally grown, unprocessed (except for washing), fresh fruits, vegetables and cut herbs
- "Locally grown" means Washington grown; or grown in bordering counties of Idaho or Oregon





Honey producers

- Locally produced <u>honey</u> can be purchased with the <u>Senior</u>
 <u>FMNP checks only</u>
- Exclusively honey producers <u>can't</u> take WIC FMNP checks
- Honey growers must register and follow rules of the Washington State Dept. of Agriculture





FMNP Transactions

- WIC and Senior FMNP checks have a \$4.00 value
- Participants can use more than one or all FMNP checks for the transaction
- Participants can use other forms of payment the grower accepts along with the FMNP checks in order to pay the extra cost over the \$4.00 check value
- Some forms of payment include: their own cash, EBT, credit or debit card
- Honey growers can only take Senior FMNP check unless they also grow and sell their own produce along with the honey
- Grower can't give cash back or tokens for FMNP checks



Farmers Market Report

Name of the Farmers Market ID # 0000

Authorized Growers As Of 6/01/2016

Growers Count :7

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DAVIS FARM	DAVIS, MARILYN	4567
FARMER AL'S PEONIES & OTHER FLOWERS	MOTTI, ALLEN F	8910
GNARLY GARDENS	KIRKHAM, HELEN	XXXX
GREEN SPOT FARM	RICHARDS, LESLIE & KAREN	XXXX
HAYTON ORGANICS	HAYTON, ANGELICA	XXXX
PHEASANT FIELDS FARM	JOHANSON, NIKKI	XXXX

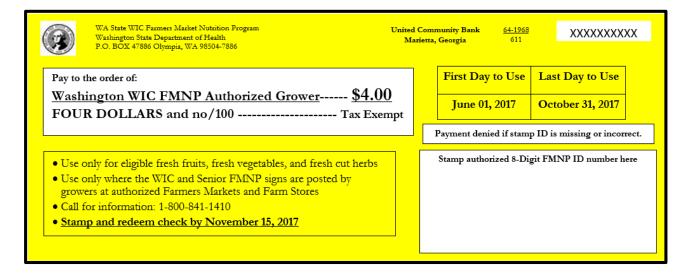


Handling Checks

WIC FMNP (Yellow)

Senior FMNP

(Lavender)

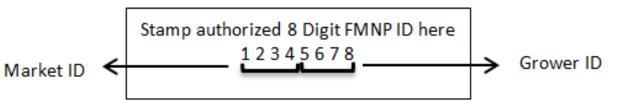


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Good for only fresh fruits, vegetables, approved honey and herbs. Not Good at Grocery stores. Valid only at Authorized Farmers Market and Farm Stands. No change will be given. For information, call 1-80		AUTHORIZED ID NUMBER HERE



Stamping Checks

Stamper must have eight adjustable numbers



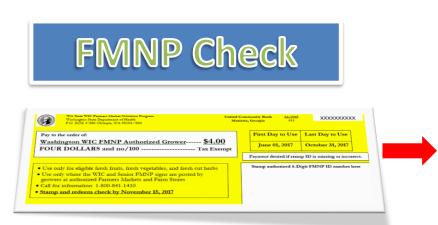


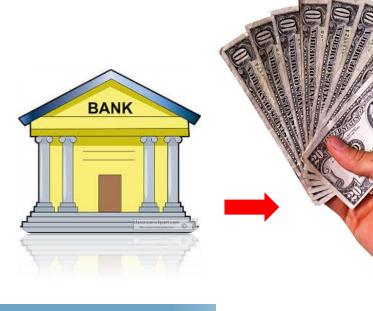
- Stamp the market/grower ID in the blank stamp ID box at the bottom of the check
- Before stamping adjust the dial to the correct 8 digit number
- At the end of each market day, use scrap paper to verify stamp numbers are clear and easy to read
- Check your copy of the FMNP contract for your correct Grower ID number



Handling Checks

- Both WIC and Senior FMNP checks are \$4.00
- Participants can buy any eligible food on the list
- Only participants using <u>Senior</u> FMNP checks can buy honey
- Store FMNP checks in a safe place





Depositing Checks

- Growers can use the FMNP Banking Memo on the website to show their bank they are authorized to deposit these checks
- Must stamp all FMNP checks clearly, using the correct market and grower ID numbers to prevent rejections and banking fees
- Must deposit all FMNP checks on or before November 15th 2017
- Grower's bank:
 - May not recognize the FMNP checks
 - May not allow growers to deposit into a personal account

FMNP <u>doesn't</u> reimburse banking fees

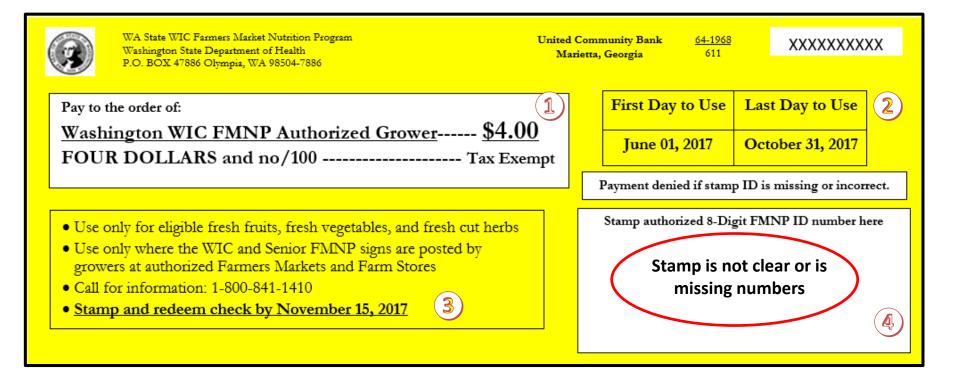
May charge fees for depositing checks over a maximum

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Handling Checks

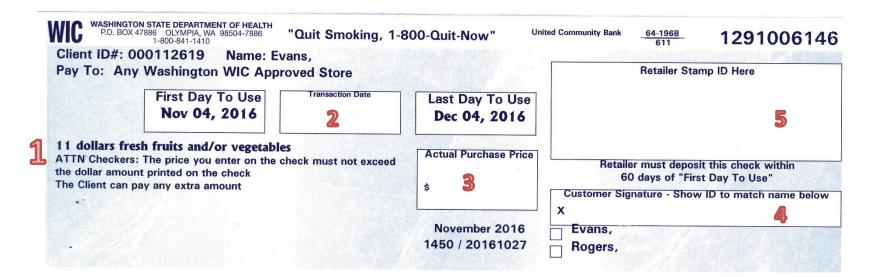
Most Frequent Check Rejections







- WIC stores checks are for fresh fruit/or vegetables
- You won't get paid if you accept the "BLUE" WIC checks





Civil Rights Requirements

- Definition:
 - No person shall on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex or handicap be excluded from participation, denied benefits, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination
- Offer FMNP participants the same courtesies as other customers
- Any FMNP participant, clinic staff, grower or market manager can file a complaint
- Detailed procedures and a complaint form are on our website: <u>www.doh.wa.gov/farmersmarket</u>



REMINDERS

- Market and Grower application/contracts are online at: <u>www.doh.wa.gov/farmersmarket</u>
- Applicants can request mailed copies if unable to access the Internet: Call <u>1-800-841-1410</u>
- Fill out and sign the application/contract and mail to: WA State Dept. of Health Farmers Market Nutrition Program
 PO Box 47886
 Olympia, WA 98504-7886
- April 1st deadline for returning Growers
- May 1st deadline for new Markets
- July 1st deadline for all New Growers
- **November 15th** last day to deposit FMNP checks





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Senior FMNP Contacts



ALTSA Aging and Long-Term

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Rosemary Biggins Aging and Long Term Support Administration DSHS <u>Biggire@dshs.wa.gov</u> Direct Line: 360-725-2466 Fax Line: 360-438-8633 Toll Free: 1-800-422-3263



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