

481—72.6(10A) EBT trafficking or misuse investigations. In addition to the procedures outlined in rule 481—72.5(10A), the following apply to EBT trafficking or misuse investigations.

72.6(1) *Probable cause.* Probable cause must be established before an EBT trafficking or misuse investigation may be conducted.

72.6(2) *Referrals.* Referrals to the division may come from DHS, retailers, law enforcement agencies or the general public. A referral may be initiated following the identification of questionable EBT card transactions through federal or state databases. The bureau may open an investigation without an outside referral.

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