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Policy

From the WIC Services Policy and Procedure Manual – 360.40 Outreach -Outreach to immigrants

The following statements may be useful for outreach materials targeted to immigrant populations.

English

Participation in WIC does not affect your immigration status. WIC participation does not render your family a “public charge” and is not reported to INS.

Spanish

La participación en WIC no afectará su estado migratorio. WIC no le rinde a usted ni a su familia como “carga pública” y no reporta a la oficina de INS.

Information

Two Pack Baby Fruits and Vegetables

Two pack (two - 4 oz containers) of baby fruits and vegetables are now readily available on the market. Starting June 1st, the two packs will be available in IWIN as a check description. The check description for the single 4 oz baby food jars that is currently in IWIN will continue to be available. There is no way in the system to do an “OR” statement on the checks for this situation. So, when issuing baby fruits and vegetables, participants will have to choose either the two packs or the single 4 oz baby food jars. If a participant wishes to have a combination of the two packs and single 4 oz jars, this can be done, but both check descriptions will need to be included on their food package.

The model food packages will continue to be for the single 4 oz jars, so it will be important to remember to ask the participant what they would prefer to receive and tailor the food package if needed. The check descriptions will be as follows:

Jars 4 oz. Baby Fruits and/or Vegetables - Single flavor and/or blends

Two packs 4 oz Baby Fruit and/or Vegetable-Single flavor and/or blends

Thank you of the Week

"WIC is an awesome program. Being pregnant I never thought I would qualify because I make a decent wage at my job now. Your office helped me sign up and get everything figured out. Since I have found out I qualify for WIC I have been passing the word along to others. I work in a medical billing office and people call in all the time about their bills and expenses. If they have kids under 5 I tell them about WIC. I enjoy passing the word along!"

~ North Iowa WIC Participant

WIC Shout Out

Cheers to North Iowa Community Action for recently achieving the goal of having all of their clinics connected! Other agencies who have completed this task are: Community Action of Southeast Iowa, VNA - Dubuque, West Central Community Action, and Marion County Public Health.

Participant Centered Services

Goal Setting

Goal Setting- Help participants set goals for achievable behavior change. Goals provide a target to aim for and help to establish priorities. Ideas to help with goal setting include:

Ask questions to help the participant clarify the change they want to make.

Help the participant determine how to achieve the behavior change by asking questions like "How would you do that?" "Would you like to try ___?" "What will be your next step?"

eWIC Update

eWIC Transactions

When eWIC rolls out, participant benefits will begin on the first of the month and will end on the last day of the month. If participants are shopping on the last day of the month, the full transaction will need to be completed by midnight. For example, if the participant gets to the checkout counter at 11:55 pm on the last day of May and foods are still being scanned at 12:01 am, the benefits will either come out of June's benefits or if they do not have June benefits on their card yet, they will not be able to use the eWIC card. It will be important for participants to know that even if the transaction started before midnight, it must be 100% complete by midnight or they will lose their May benefits.

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Dates to Remember

2015 ****note highlighted dates and topics indicate a change from the usual****

New Employee Training Go-To Meeting

- NETC Go-To- Meeting (All New Staff) – July 9, from 8:30-11:30
 - NETC Go-To-Meeting (Health Professional) – July 16, from 8:30-11:30
 - NETC Go-To-Meeting (Support Staff) - July 23, from 8:30- 11:30

 - NETC Go-To- Meeting (All New Staff) – September 10, from 8:30-11:30
 - NETC Go-To-Meeting (Health Professional) – September 17, from 8:30-11:30
 - NETC Go-To-Meeting (Support Staff) - September 24, from 8:30- 11:30

 - NETC Go-To- Meeting (All New Staff) – November 12, from 8:30-11:30
 - NETC Go-To-Meeting (Health Professional) – November 18, from 8:30-11:30
 - NETC Go-To-Meeting (Support Staff) - November 19, from 8:30- 11:30
- **Please note the dates in November.**

Core Trainings

- WIC Contractor In Person Meeting: August 25, 2015
- Infant/Child Nutrition: September 1, 2015
- Communication and Rapport: October 28, 2015

WIC Training

- June 9, 2015 – 2015 Iowa WIC Training

Available Formula

| Product | Quantity | Expiration Date | Agency | Contact |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Neocate | 8-9 Containers | 6/2015 | Operation Threshold | Sue Burnett 319-292-1827 |
| Pediasure Peptide 1.0 | 16 containers | 7/2015 | NICAO | Janelle Pansegrau 641-423-5044 x35 |
| Powdered Nutricia Neocate Infant DHA/ARA Amino Acid | 5 cans | 8/2015 | North Iowa Community Action | Carla Miller 641-432-5044 x24 |

| Product | Quantity | Expiration Date | Agency | Contact |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Based Infant Formula w/iron | | | | |
| Nutren Jr. w/Fiber (Vanilla) | 78 (3 cases + 6 individual containers) | 9/2015 | Marion County Public Health | Jessica Johnson 641-828-2238 x225 |
| Enfaport | 14 - 8 oz cans | 9/1/15 | Broadlawns | Rose Logan 515-282-6717 |
| Powdered Pregestimil | 5 cans | 11/1/2015 | Operation Threshold | Sue Burnett 319-292-1827 |
| Powder Nutramigen Toddler with Enflora LGG | 7 – 12.6 oz Container 20 - 12.6 oz Container | 11/1/2015 2/1/2016 | Mid-Sioux Opportunity | Amy Kreber 712-786-3488 |
| RCF Concentrate | 26- 13 oz cans | 2/1/16 | Broadlawns | Rose Logan 515-282-6717 |
| Pediasure 1.5 cal Vanilla | 65- 8oz cans | 6/1/2016 | Broadlawns | Rose Logan |
| Calcilo XD | 1 can | 2/2017 | Broadlawns | Kathy Flagg 515-263-5660 |

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