

Issuance of Stock Formula and Nutritionals**Policy No. NS- 210.17**

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Policy

Formula and WIC-eligible nutritionals (nutritional) can be issued from the clinic's stock under the same circumstances for which food instruments would be issued. Stock infant formula and nutritionals can only be issued to WIC participants who are in a valid certification period for the current issuance month. Infant formulas and nutritionals can only be provided to cover one month of benefits at a time.

Purpose

To control program costs and moderate the use of program funds.

Procedures

- I. The local agency staff shall offer participants formulas and nutritionals available in the clinic stock for general food package issuances, food package changes, and exchanging formula purchased in error. (Reference the [Stock Formula Issuance Guidelines](#) for a list of allowable and non-allowable reasons to issue formula from stock.)
- II. The CPA shall assign a food package containing the voucher code 197 for all formula and nutritionals issued from the clinic stock. The voucher code may be apart of the 197 food package or a single 197 voucher code issued with a 999, district created, food package.
- III. The CPA shall provide formulas and nutritionals from stock in amounts that do not exceed the [Maximum Monthly Amounts](#) authorized for that participant's age and feeding type. Previously issued formula and any vouchers redeemed must be deducted from the allowable issuance when determining the amount to provide from stock.
- IV. The CPA shall not issue a participant formula expiring prior to the participant's "Last Day to Use" date. See [Stock Formula and Nutritional Tracking Policy](#) for information on discarding expiring formula.

Authority

Georgia WIC Program Policy

Definitions/Supporting Information

Competent Professional Authority (CPA) – An individual on the local agency staff who is authorized to determine nutritional risk and prescribe supplemental foods. The following individuals may be authorized and trained to serve as a CPA: physicians, nutritionists (bachelor's or master's degree in Nutritional Sciences, Community Nutrition, Clinical Nutrition,

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Dietetics, Public Health Nutrition), registered dietitians, licensed dietitians, registered nurses, and physician assistants (certified by the National Committee on certification of Physicians Assistants or certified by the State medical certifying authority), or State or local medically trained health officials.

Infant Formula – A food indicated for special dietary use solely as a food for infants because of its simulation of human milk or its suitability as a complete or partial substitute for human milk.

WIC-Eligible Nutritionals – Means certain enteral products that are specifically formulated to provide nutritional support for individuals with a qualifying condition, when the use of conventional foods is precluded, restricted, or inadequate. Such WIC-eligible nutritionals must serve the purpose of a food, meal or diet (may be nutritionally complete or incomplete) and provide a source of calories and one or more nutrients; be designed for enteral digestion via an oral or tube feeding; and may not be a conventional food, drug, flavoring, or enzyme. WIC-eligible nutritionals include many, but not all, products that meet the definition of medical food in Section 5(b)(3) of the Orphan Drug Act (21 U.S.C. 360ee(b)(3)).