

Medical Documentation for Infants

A completed and approved WIC Form FD 941C is required to provide the following exempt infant formulas, WIC-approved medical foods and supplemental foods for an infant.

A. WIC exempt infant formulas:

1. Infants 6 to 11 months of age who are prescribed a WIC exempt formula and are not prescribed baby cereal and/or baby food fruits and vegetables shall have the option to receive formula at the same maximum monthly amount as infants ages 4 through 5 months of age. **Exception:** Infants on Similac Sensitive do not require a WIC Form FD 941C, therefore are not eligible to receive additional formula.
2. Nutren Jr. (or 30 kcal/oz equivalent) shall only be provided to infants with prior State WIC Office approval. No one-month grace period shall be allowed.

B. When a WIC exempt formula is prescribed for an infant, baby cereal and/or baby food fruits and vegetables shall only be provided if these foods are also prescribed by the Health Care Provider (HCP). The supplemental foods (baby cereal and baby food fruits and vegetables) are only available to infants from 6 to 11 months of age.

WIC Staff Responsibilities:

- A. Review the likelihood of a qualifying medical diagnosis with the caregiver to determine whether it is realistic to take the additional time, effort and cost for both the caregiver and the health care provider to get the form completed.
- B. Discuss the option to receive more formula in lieu of baby cereal and baby food fruits and vegetables for infants 6 to 11 months of age who are prescribed exempt infant formulas such as Similac Alimentum or Similac NeoSure.
 1. Infants 6 to 11 months of age who are prescribed exempt infant formulas such as Similac Alimentum or Similac NeoSure and are not prescribed baby cereal and/or baby food fruits and vegetables receive formula at the same maximum monthly amount as infants ages 4 through 5 months of age. This option does not apply to infants who are prescribed Similac Sensitive.
 2. Infants who are prescribed exempt infant formulas such as Similac Alimentum or Similac NeoSure receive a reduction in the amount of formula at 6 months of age when baby cereal and/or baby food fruits and vegetables are prescribed.

Example: An infant receives 8 cans of 16 oz. powder Similac Alimentum formula from 6 to 11 months of age when no baby cereal or baby food fruits or vegetables are prescribed. The infant receives 6 cans of 16 oz. powder Similac Alimentum when baby cereal and/or baby food fruits and vegetables are prescribed.

C. Discuss child food package options for the infant with a qualifying medical condition

who is less than 12 months of age.

Note: A new WIC Form FD 941C is required when the infant's category changes to a child's category, on the day of the child's first birthday.

1. Provide the caregiver a copy of the WIC Form FD 941C to take to the HCP. The HCP determines whether it is appropriate for the form to be completed in advance of the participant's category change.
2. Document the information from the form into SWICH only when the infant's category changes to a child. Child prescription information is not entered while the participant is an infant category. The foods available in each category are different; therefore, a new prescription associated with the new category is required.

D. Contact State WIC Nutritionist to request approval to provide Nutren Jr. (or equivalent) to an infant before the infant's first birthday. Document the following information in SWICH: name of state WIC staff who provided the response; whether the request was approved or denied; date of the response.

Note: Nutren Jr. (or equivalent) is not recommended for children under one year of age. Nutren Jr. is a high calorie, high protein liquid nutrition designed for oral feeding of children ages 1 to 10 years of age. Nutren Jr. is used for children whose energy requirements are elevated and is often prescribed for children who are underweight, have a decreased food intake, or who are diagnosed with failure to thrive. Children who weigh 10 kilograms (about 22 pounds) or more are candidates for the nutrient dense feedings as a sole source of nutrition. The protein and renal solute load is quite high for children below this weight.

E. Document WIC Form FD 941C into SWICH.

1. When the prescription includes baby cereal and baby food fruits and vegetables, the foods will become available for food packages when the infant is 6 months of age.

F. Issue checks for the WIC exempt formula and supplemental foods as prescribed by the HCP and allowed according to the age of the infant.

**Maximum Monthly Amounts for Infants
Receiving WIC Exempt Formulas, Medical Foods and/or Supplemental Foods**

Foods	Formula fed		Partially breastfed	
	0 thru 3 months 4 thru 5 months	6 to 11 months	0 to 1 month 1 thru 3 months 4 thru 5 months	6 to 11 months
WIC Formula	806 fl oz. reconstituted liquid concentrate or 832 fl oz. RTF or 870 fl oz. reconstituted powder. 884 fl oz. reconstituted liquid concentrate or 896 fl oz. RTF or 960 fl oz. reconstituted powder	624 fl oz. reconstituted liquid concentrate or 640 fl oz. RTF or 696 fl oz. reconstituted powder	104 fl oz. reconstituted powder 364 fl oz. reconstituted liquid concentrate or 384 fl oz. RTF or 435 fl oz. reconstituted powder 442 fl oz. reconstituted liquid concentrate or 448 fl oz. RTF or 522 fl oz. reconstituted powder	312 fl oz. reconstituted liquid concentrate or 320 fl oz. RTF or 384 fl oz. reconstituted powder
Baby Cereal		24 oz.		24 oz.
Baby food fruits and vegetables		128 oz.		128 oz.