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# Physician Authorization Form

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**Nebraska WIC Nutrition Program**  
**Physician Authorization Form**  
 For Specialty Formulas and WIC Supplemental Foods  
**Infants up to 12 months**

Formula and food cannot be issued until all appropriate sections are completed. Thank You!

WIC Clinic:  
 Phone #:  
 Fax #:  
 Attention:

**A. Patient Information**  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent/Caregiver's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Medical Reason/Diagnosis – (required)**  
 DX: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Specialty formulas are not allowed for non-specific conditions such as: poor appetite, picky eater, parental preference, spitting up, colic, constipation, fussiness, or gas.

**C. Formula**  
 WIC Provides approximately: **28 oz/day: birth-3 mo. 30 oz/day: 4-5 mo. 22 oz/day: 6-11 mo.**  
 Name of Formula: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Formula Amount (oz/day) ☐ Maximum allowable OR ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ oz per day  
 Special Instructions: \_\_\_\_\_

**D. WIC Foods (6-12 months of age, only): All WIC infant foods will be issued if nothing is marked.**  
☐ No WIC Infant Foods – cereal/fruits/vegetables ☐ All WIC Infant Foods are allowed  
 • Infant is not medically or developmentally ready for solid foods AND needs additional formula ☐ Yes ☐ No

**E. Requested Length of Issuance: 6 months will be issued including current month if nothing is marked.**  
☐ 1 mo. ☐ 2 mo. ☐ 3 mo. ☐ 4 mo. ☐ 5 mo. ☐ 6 mo.

**F. Health Care Provider Information (required)**  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Provider's Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature/Stamp of Health Care Provider (MD, DO, PA, NP): \_\_\_\_\_  
 For WIC Use Only Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 WIC approved formulas: [http://dhs.ne.gov/publichealth/Pages/wic\\_healthcare-providers\\_healthcare-provider-info.aspx](http://dhs.ne.gov/publichealth/Pages/wic_healthcare-providers_healthcare-provider-info.aspx)  
 WIC is an equal opportunity program.

## PAF for Infants up to 12 months

### D. WIC Foods (6-12 months of age, only)

#### Requirements to provide Additional Formula:

- A PAF
- "No WIC Infant foods".. **AND** "Infant is not medically or developmentally".... Must both be checked
- Must have developmental or medical need
- Monitor ability to tolerate solid foods and cont. need for additional formula

#### Inappropriate provision of Additional Formula

- Only "No WIC Infant Foods" is checked
- Not a choice between more formula or food
- Infant is able to tolerate solids

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**Children 1-5 years and Women**

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WIC Clinic:  
 Phone #:  
 Attention: Fax #:

**A. Patient Information**  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent/Caregiver's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Medical Reason/Diagnosis – (required)**  
 DX: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Specialty formulas are not allowed for non-specific conditions such as: poor appetite, intolerance, picky eater, OR for enhancing infant's intake or managing body weight without an underlying qualifying medical condition.

**C. Formula**  
 WIC Provides approximately **29 ounces/day**  
 Name of Formula: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Formula Amount (oz/day) ☐ Maximum allowable OR ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ oz per day  
 Special Instructions: \_\_\_\_\_

**D. WIC Foods – All foods will be issued if nothing is marked**  
☐ No Milk ☐ No Whole Grains ☐ No Beans ☐ No Tuna/Salmon (BF women)  
☐ No Cheese ☐ No Breakfast Cereal ☐ No Juice ☐ No Fresh Fruits/Vegetables  
☐ No Yogurt ☐ No Peanut Butter ☐ No Eggs

**E. Whole Milk / Pureed Foods** **A medical reason/qualifying condition required when prescribing whole milk.**  
 Note: Personal preference is not a qualifying condition.  
☐ Whole Milk Child's medical needs require pureed foods:  
 ONLY available for patients receiving specialty formula ☐ Provide jarred infant fruits & vegetables  
 and who have a medical need for whole milk. ☐ Substitute infant cereal for breakfast cereal

**F. Requested length of issuance: 6 months will be issued if nothing is marked**  
☐ 1 mo. ☐ 2 mo. ☐ 3 mo. ☐ 4 mo. ☐ 5 mo. ☐ 6 mo.

**G. Health Care Provider Information (required)**  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Provider's Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature/Stamp of Health Care Provider (MD, DO, PA, NP): \_\_\_\_\_  
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## PAF for Children 1-5 years and Women

### E. Whole Milk/ Pureed Foods

#### Whole Milk (Review):

What is required to provide Whole Milk?

- A PAF with Whole Milk box checked
- A qualifying medical condition
- Participant needs a specialty formula

#### Inappropriate use of Whole Milk

- Due to participant preference
- Providing increased calories without a specialty formula

#### Pureed Foods (NEW!):

What is required to provide Pureed Foods?

- a PAF with "Provide jarred infant..." and/or "Substitute infant cereal..." box checked
- A qualifying medical condition
- Participant needs a formula

#### Inappropriate use of Pureed Foods:

- Due to participant preference
- Cannot be included in food package with child foods

# PAFs are located under the Health Care Provider's area on the NE WIC Program website



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## Health Care Providers

WIC provides important services to Nebraska's families. You can play a pivotal role in ensuring families have access to nutrition and services provided by Nebraska WIC.

WIC provides health screening, nutrition education, nutrient-rich foods, breastfeeding support, referrals to other health and social services and infant and medical formulas. Infants and children with a qualifying medical condition that warrants the use of a special formula may receive both formula and food through WIC. Infants may receive baby food and cereal at the age of 6 months. A child receiving a special formula may also receive WIC foods, with authorization from the physician.

## Physician Authorization Form (PAF)

Medical documentation is federally required to ensure that the patient under your care has a medical condition that requires the use of a special formula and that conventional foods are precluded, restricted or inadequate to meet their special nutritional needs.

- WIC Physician Authorization Form - Children & Women
- WIC Physician Authorization Form - Infants

Fillable PDF versions of these files will be available soon.

## Standard Food Packages

Pictures showing examples of food benefits received by WIC participants are below. These pictures are for illustrative purposes only of what a sample monthly package might look like.

## Common PAF Issues

### 1. PAF needs to be complete

#### Procedure: Medical Documentation Requirements

- Patient information
- Name of authorized WIC formula prescribed, incl. amount needed per day
- Length of time formula is required
- Qualifying condition
- Authorized supplemental foods appropriate for the qualifying condition
- Signature, date and contact information of health professional with prescriptive authority

### 2. Appropriate Diagnosis/Qualifying Medical Condition

- On the back of the PAF, there are a list of appropriate medical conditions

WIC PROVIDES specialty formula for infants to support qualifying medical conditions:

| EXAMPLES OF QUALIFYING MEDICAL CONDITIONS FOR SPECIALTY FORMULAS FROM WIC                                                                                                                                                                                   |               |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Life-threatening disorders, diseases and medical conditions that impair the ingestion, digestion, absorption or utilization of nutrients that could adversely affect the infant's nutritional status are qualifying medical conditions for special formula. |               |
| Conditions Including But Not Limited To:                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ICD-10 Codes  |
| Anemia                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | D50, D64      |
| Autoimmune Disorder                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | D89           |
| Celiac Disease                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | K90.0         |
| Cerebral Palsy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | G80.9         |
| Cleft Lip/Palate                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Q35 - Q37     |
| Congenital Malformations of Digestive System                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Q38 - Q45     |
| Congenital Heart Disease                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Q20 - Q28     |
| Cystic Fibrosis                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | E84           |
| Developmental Sensory/Motor Delays                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | R62           |
| Diabetes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | E10           |
| Digestive System Disorders of the Newborn                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | P05, P76-78   |
| Diseases of Digestive System                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | K92           |
| Failure to Thrive/Inadequate Growth                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | R62.51        |
| Feeding Disorders of Infancy/Early Childhood                                                                                                                                                                                                                | P98.29        |
| Severe Food Allergies                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |               |
| • Food Allergy - milk products                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Z91.011       |
| • Intolerance to carbohydrate/fat/protein/starch                                                                                                                                                                                                            | K90.4         |
| • Allergic and dietetic gastroenteritis and colitis                                                                                                                                                                                                         | K52.2         |
| • Dermatitis due to ingested food                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | L27.2         |
| Gastro Esophageal Reflux Disease                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | P78.81, K21.0 |
| Gastroenteritis and Colitis                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | K52           |
| Gastrointestinal Disorders                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | K31           |
| Genetic/Congenital Disorders                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Q00 - Q99     |
| Inborn Errors of Metabolism/ Metabolic Disorders                                                                                                                                                                                                            | E88           |
| Immunodeficiency Disorders                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | D84           |
| Intestinal Malabsorption                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | K90           |
| Intestinal Infectious Disease                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | A00-A09       |
| Lactose Intolerance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | E73           |
| Prematurity/ Low Birth Weight                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | P05, P08      |
| Underweight                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | R63.6, Z68.51 |

Specialty Infant Formulas - provided by NE WIC with a qualifying medical condition:

- Akemia Infant
- Enfamil Infant
- Enfamil Endicare
- Nosicare Infant
- Nutramigen
- Pregestin
- PurAmnio
- Simlac Alimentum
- Simlac Neosure
- Nutrasorb Milk Powder

Current WIC Formulary can be found on the NE WIC Website:  
[http://dhs.ne.gov/publichealth/fpawic/healthcare-providers/healthcare-provider-infir\\_index.aspx](http://dhs.ne.gov/publichealth/fpawic/healthcare-providers/healthcare-provider-infir_index.aspx)

\*CD (International Classification of Diseases Tenth Revision) <http://www.who.int/classifications/icd10/>

Questions? Contact NE WIC State Office: 402.475.3765  
[http://dhs.ne.gov/publichealth/fpawic/healthcare-providers/healthcare-provider-infir\\_index.aspx](http://dhs.ne.gov/publichealth/fpawic/healthcare-providers/healthcare-provider-infir_index.aspx)

# Common PAF Issues

3. Appropriate Formula for Diagnosis/ Qualifying medical condition

- Procedure: Issuance of Special Formula and Medical/Nutritional Products
- Evaluate the appropriateness of use
- Nebraska WIC Formulary- Product Reference Guide with Pictures

## Formula References

These reference sheets outline formulas provided by WIC.

-  [Nebraska WIC Contract Formulas](#)
-  [Nebraska WIC Formulary](#)
-  [Nebraska WIC Formulary Product Reference Guide With Pictures](#)

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|--|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  | <b>EnfaCare</b><br>(Mead Johnson)<br><br><b>Similac Expert Care NeoSure</b><br>(Abbott) | for infants<br>• Rx required for children $\geq$ 1 year and women<br><br>• Rx valid for a maximum of 6 months | • Evaluate with appropriateness of use<br>• Issue with appropriate prescription<br><br><b>Indications for Use:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For premature or low birth weight infants</li> <li>• Other documented medical conditions as indicated on prescription</li> </ul> |
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Nebraska WIC Formulary - Product Reference Guide

|                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                               |                    |    |    |    |     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|----|----|----|-----|
|  | • 30 calories per ounce<br>• Nutritionally complete<br>• 20% of fat as MCT to enhance fat absorption<br>• Gluten-free, low-residue, halal, kosher, suitable for lactose intolerance                       | For people with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), cystic fibrosis, or respiratory failure who may benefit from a high-calorie, modified carbohydrate and fat, enteral formula that may help reduce diet-induced carbon dioxide production<br><br><b>*PAF Required</b> | 8 oz RTF<br>8.8 oz            |                    |    |    |    | 113 |
|  | • 20 calories per ounce<br>• Hypoallergenic<br>• Amino acid-based, nutritionally complete infant formula for up to 6 months of age<br>• Iron-fortified                                                    | For the dietary management of infants and toddlers with severe cow's milk protein allergy not effectively managed by an extensively hydrolyzed formula or multiple food protein allergies<br><br><b>*PAF Required</b>                                                             | 14.1 oz Powder<br>96.8 oz     |                    | 8  | 5  | 7  | 5   |
|  | • 20 calories per ounce<br>• Formulated to allow physician to prescribe type and amount of carbohydrate that can be tolerated<br>• Soy-based infant formula<br>• Lactose-free, gluten-free, kosher, halal | For use in the dietary management of patients unable to tolerate the type or amount of carbohydrate in milk or conventional infant formulas and for seizure disorders requiring a ketogenic diet.<br><br><b>*PAF Required</b>                                                     | 13 oz conc<br>28.8 oz         |                    | 31 | 34 | 24 | 36  |
|  | • 20 calories per ounce<br>• Hypoallergenic formula for infants<br>• Hydrolyzed casein supplemented with free amino acids<br>• Lactose-free, gluten-free<br>• RTF is corn-free                            | For infants and children with sensitivity to cow's milk protein, severe food allergies, protein malabsorption, or fat malabsorption<br><br><b>*PAF Required</b>                                                                                                                   | 32.1 oz Powder<br>32.8 oz RTF | 87.8 oz<br>32.8 oz | 10 | 11 | 8  | 10  |
|  | • 22 calories per ounce<br>• Increased protein, vitamins, and minerals for premature babies<br>• Exceeds calories for growth<br>• Gluten-free, halal, kosher                                              | For healthy premature infants. Designed to promote catch-up growth and support development. Used for transition feeding after hospital discharge until a term formula is appropriate.<br><br><b>*PAF Required</b>                                                                 | 13.1 oz Powder<br>32 oz RTF   | 87.8 oz<br>32.8 oz | 10 | 11 | 8  | 10  |
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