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Dear Health Care Provider,

The Florida Department of Health WIC Program would like to inform you that the Medical Documentation for Formula and Food form has been revised with a new date of 5/22. The new version of the form is posted on the FloridaWIC.org website under the Health Providers tab. There is also a new electronic "fillable" version posted.

The revised form includes an option which allows you to request a group of similar specialized formulas for an infant (birth through 11 months of age) so that if one formula is not available from the group, another formula in the group of requested formulas can be provided.

- Hypoallergenic formulas listed are Alimentum, Gerber Extensive HA, and Nutramigen.
- Elemental formulas listed are Alfamino, Elecare, Neocate, Neocate Syneo, and Puramino.
- Premature formulas listed are Enfamil EnfaCare and Similac NeoSure.

If you do not want to check one of the groups of formulas listed on the form, you may enter the name of one or more formulas you are requesting with "or" in between the names. For example, "Nutramigen or Alimentum" is acceptable. Entering "Nutramigen or equivalent" is not acceptable--WIC staff are only able to make a substitution when the formula name is entered on the form. For infants, the amount per day does not need to be completed. When the amount per day is left blank for the infant, the WIC maximum monthly formula amount shown on side 2 of the form will be provided.

If the request is for an infant who requires two or more formulas per month, a child (12 months and older), or a woman, you must provide the specific name of each formula you are requesting and the amount per day.

The revised form has three sections--A, B, and C. Required fields in sections A and C are shaded gray. Section B should be left blank when the health care provider wants a client to receive standard WIC foods. Section B must be completed if the health care provider wants the client to have modifications to standard WIC foods. For example, the health care provider must select specific foods to be omitted, a specific type of milk for a client receiving a formula or nutritional product, or a modification from regular breakfast cereal and regular fruits and vegetables to baby cereal and baby fruits and vegetables.

Please review page 2 of the form which provides additional information regarding WIC policy pertaining to milk, contract standard infant formulas, program approval policies, examples of qualifying medical conditions, and maximum monthly formula amounts WIC allows. It is WIC's policy to re-evaluate the client's continued need for the formula(s) on a periodic basis during the requested time period. Based on our nutrition staff's evaluation, the prescribing health care provider may be contacted for updated information for the approval to continue.

If a WIC client is on Medicaid and a physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse has requested a formula or WIC-eligible nutritional and the client needs more than maximum monthly quantity allowed per federal WIC guidelines or a formula or nutritional product that WIC does not provide,



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the client may be eligible for additional formula from Medicaid, which would be distributed/billed by a Durable Medical Equipment and Medical Supply Services (DME) provider. The Request For Enteral Formula (From Statewide Medicaid Managed Care Plan) form will be completed by a WIC licensed dietitian/nutritionist stating the exact amount of formula(s) or nutritional(s) the person will receive monthly from the WIC program. The completed form will be provided to the caregiver or health care provider, as appropriate. If you are the prescribing health care provider, you may choose to complete the health care provider portion of the form or provide information as required by the health care plan on an alternative format.

If you have any questions or concerns about this update, please contact the Miami-Dade WIC program for more information at 786-336-1333.

Thank you for your cooperation and continuous support of our WIC clients during this challenging time.

Respectfully,

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