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Policy

Policy from the WIC State Program Certification Policy and Procedure Manual

Policy 215.14 Precertification of pregnant Women

Precertification of pregnant women allows agencies to serve pregnant women as soon as they identify themselves as wishing to receive WIC services. Travel barriers will be removed for participants living in rural areas, increasing the likelihood that pregnant women will receive services within the 10-day time frame.

A pregnant woman may be pre-certified based on information provided by a referring professional.

Note: In USDA policy guidance, this process is referred to as presumptive eligibility for pregnant women. The Iowa WIC Program chooses to identify this process as precertification to prevent confusion about presumptive eligibility determination for Medicaid services for pregnant women.

Precertification of pregnant women using referral data is allowed for healthy ambulatory pregnant women. Precertification in the WIC clinic is also an acceptable option for pregnant women when a regular certification appointment is not available.

Information

Referral Resource- Amanda the Panda

At some point, everyone will have someone they love die. In fact, according to the Iowa Barriers to Prenatal Care Survey in 2015, 15% of pregnant women reported experiencing the loss of family member or close friend during their pregnancy. Our goal is to let all Iowans know about our services, and to be able to connect anyone in need to an Amanda the Panda support group or camp. We want to spread awareness about what we do to as many people as possible, in hopes that all Iowans will know about and be able to access the care they need. In order to break down the barriers to people receiving this care, we offer free childcare for all children 0-Kindergarten age during our support groups, and all who attend support group are welcomed by a free home-cooked dinner before group starts.

Our website (www.amandathepanda.org) not only has up-to-date information about all of our programming, but also has numerous resources about coping with grief, how to help a grieving person, and other ways to connect with Amanda the Panda staff. The website is also easily translated into Spanish and Bosnian.

Thank you of the Week

"WIC is awesome!! All the stress I went through being a new mom, WIC was there. When I stressed out about something, I would call WIC and they would help me. I couldn't do it without WIC." ~ WIC participant

Participant Centered Services



Did you bring your OARS to work today?

Open- ended Questions

Affirmations

Reflective listening

Summarize

Using OARS helps us show that we value the parent/participant's input, that we are listening and evokes the story of what is going on.

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eWIC/Focus Update

Dates to Remember/Conferences/Webinars/Training etc.

2016 Dates to Remember:

November 2016:

- Breastfeeding Conference Available in the Des Moines Area
'Lactation Challenges'

The conference will be held- Friday, November 4 from 8:15-5:00 at Grace Community Church, 877 NE 64th St. Pleasant Hill/Des Moines.

*[*See the attached flyer at the end of this issue of Friday Facts](#)*

December 2016:

- The Lactation Counselor Training course (CLC) is being offered in Sioux City at UnityPoint - St Lukes December 5-9, 2016. It is very seldom that this training is hosted in Iowa so take advantage while you can. The number of attendees are limited and you need to register four weeks prior to the start date to get the early bird price. To register go to The Center for Breastfeeding website: <http://www.healthychildren.cc/clc.htm>

*[*See the flyer at the end of this issue of Friday Facts .](#)*

NETC 2016 Schedule

NETC Webinar (All New Staff) – November 10, 8:30-11:30 a.m.
NETC Webinar (Health Professional) – November 16, 8:30-11:30 a.m.
NETC Webinar (Support Staff) – November 17, 8:30-11:30 a.m.

2017 Dates to Remember:

Contractor’s Meeting Webinar- **January 31, 2017 9 am- 12 pm**

Maternal Core Training- **March 29, 2017**

Breastfeeding Core Training- **March 30, 2017**

Infant/Child Core Training- **August 1, 2017**

Coordinator Meeting (In-person)- **August 29, 2017**

Communication and Rapport Core Training- **October 24, 2017**

NETC 2017 Schedule:

January:

NETC Go-To-Meeting (All new staff) – January 12, from 8:30-11:30 (Nicole and Nikki)

NETC Go-To-Meeting (Health Professional) – January 19, from 8:30-11:30 (Kimberly and Nikki)

NETC Go-To-Meeting (Support Staff) – January 26, from 8:30-11:30 (Connie and Nicole)

March:

NETC Go-To-Meeting (All new staff) – March 9, from 8:30-11:30 (Nicole and Nikki)

NETC Go-To-Meeting (Health Professional) – January 16, from 8:30-11:30 (Kimberly and Nikki)

NETC Go-To-Meeting (Support Staff) – January 23, from 8:30-11:30 (Connie and Nicole)

May:

NETC Go-To-Meeting (All new staff) – May 11, from 8:30-11:30 (State staff TBD)

NETC Go-To-Meeting (Health Professional) – May 24, from 8:30-11:30 (State staff TBD)

NETC Go-To-Meeting (Support Staff) – May 25, from 8:30-11:30 (State staff TBD)

July:

NETC Go-To-Meeting (All new staff) – July 13, from 8:30-11:30 (State staff TBD)

NETC Go-To-Meeting (Health Professional) – July 20, from 8:30-11:30 (State staff TBD)

NETC Go-To-Meeting (Support Staff) – July 27, from 8:30-11:30 (State staff TBD)

September:

NETC Go-To-Meeting (All new staff) – September 14, from 8:30-11:30 (State staff TBD)

NETC Go-To-Meeting (Health Professional) – September 21, from 8:30-11:30 (State staff TBD)

NETC Go-To-Meeting (Support Staff) – September 28, from 8:30-11:30 (State staff TBD)

November:

NETC Go-To-Meeting (All new staff) – November 9, from 8:30-11:30 (State staff TBD)

NETC Go-To-Meeting (Health Professional) – November 15, from 8:30-11:30 (State staff TBD)

NETC Go-To-Meeting (Support Staff) – November 16, from 8:30-11:30 (State staff TBD)

Available Formula

Product	Quantity	Expiration Date	Agency	Contact
Pediasure 1.0	1 case	11-16-16	HACAP	Angela Munson 319-366-
Tolerex formula	7 boxes w/ 6 pkts each plus 2	2/17	HACAP	Angela Munson 319-366-7632
RTU Neosure	26 containers	9-1-17	Upper Des Moines Opportunity	Tammy Chapman, RD, LD 712-859-3885, Ext.
RCF Concentrate	11 cans	5/2017	Webster County WIC	Kathy Josten, LD, CBE 515-573-4107
Therapeutic Pediasure 1.5 cal. per ml 350 calorie	68 - 8oz cans		North Iowa Community Action	Carla Miller, LBSW (641)423-5044 ext. 24
Alfamino Infant 14.1 oz powder	3 containers	5/28/17	Pottawattamie County WIC	Kristine Wood, MS, RDN, LD 712-328-5886

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Washington, D.C.20250-9410;
- (2) Fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) Email: program.intake@usda.gov

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Register Today!

Lactation Counselor Training Course

Join us at UnityPoint Health – St. Luke's

December 5-9

**Register online www.centerforbreastfeeding.org
(712) 279-3279**

Who should attend the Lactation Counselor Training Course?

Anyone who wants to obtain strong, up-to-date, evidence based foundation in breastfeeding knowledge and skills, and achieve the National Certification as a Certified Lactation Counselor (CLC). Attendees have a wide range of background and experience in supporting breastfeeding families.

- Nurses
- Public Health / WIC
- Public Health Nurses
- Hospital Staff
- Midwives
- Peer Counselors
- La Leche League Leaders
- Family Practice Physicians
- Pediatricians
- Nursing Mothers Counsel Members
- Speech / Language and Occupational Therapists
- People interested in sitting for the IBCLC exam
- People interested in ALC/ANLC Certification
- Breastfeeding Advocates
- Perinatal Outreach Workers
- IBCLCs earning CERPs
- Childbirth Educators
- Doulas
- Visiting Nurses
- LPN
- OB GYN

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