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Funding Shortage

**Definition**
A funding shortage could refer to food funding, Nutrition Service and Administrative (NSA) funding, or both. The funding shortage could be a result of, but is not limited to the following: a reduction in funding, increased costs, increased participation, or a government shutdown that could result in local agency contract suspensions and termination or suspension of participant benefits.

**Local Agency Guidance**
In the event of a funding shortage, the state WIC office will provide guidance consistent with the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) General Conditions, Contract Conditions, WIC Policy, and USDA guidance as necessary.

**Participant termination and suspension guidance**
Participants must be notified before termination or suspension due to no available funding or a funding shortage. Notification procedures will follow United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) guidance. The state WIC office will identify the categories of participants whose benefits will be suspended or terminated.

**Note:** See Policy 300.35 for additional information.
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