

7.0 Food Package

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7.03 Food Package for Qualifying Conditions

Exhibit 7.03D Coordination of Dietary Formula Authorizations Among Children's Special Health Care Services, Medicaid and the WIC Program

When WIC clients are enrolled in Children's Special Health Care Services or Medicaid and also in the WIC Program, it is the intent of these programs to coordinate services within the regulations of each program so that the child and family can receive up to the maximum benefit from each program.

The WIC Program is a supplemental food and nutrition education program for women, infants and children up to 5 years of age who are at medical or nutritional risk, and who meet financial eligibility criteria. Eligible clients must enroll in the WIC Program in order to receive WIC benefits.

Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) is a medical care and treatment program for children under 21 years of age who have certain chronic, physically handicapping conditions. To receive CSHCS benefits, clients must meet medical eligibility criteria and complete CSHCS enrollment procedures.

The Medicaid Program is a medical program, which provides care and treatment for clients who meet financial eligibility requirements and are enrolled in the program.

WIC, CSHCS and Medicaid provide selected dietary formulas to enrolled clients under certain circumstances. The MI-WIC Formulary identifies dietary formulas, which are Michigan authorized.

If a WIC client is enrolled in CSHCS or Medicaid and also in WIC, and the formula is one that CSHCS or Medicaid may authorize under certain conditions, WIC should work collaboratively with CSHCS and Medicaid to assure that the nutritional needs of mutual clients are met. Prior authorization must be obtained from CSHCS or Medicaid for any dietary formula for which CSHCS or Medicaid will be paying.

If a child is enrolled in both WIC and CSHCS or Medicaid and uses a contract formula (Class I) or other formula not covered by CSHCS or Medicaid, and also uses an exempt infant formula or WIC-eligible medical food (Class II or III formula) covered by CSHCS or Medicaid, arrangements may be coordinated so that WIC may cover the contract formula (Class I) and CSHCS or Medicaid may cover the other formula.

Children enrolled in WIC may be provided with either a maximum food package, a customized food package, or a food package for qualifying conditions. Food packages for qualifying conditions provide WIC formula and supplemental foods if medically warranted.