



Provider Newsflash



A fax bulletin for the Molina Healthcare of Washington Provider Network

WIC Provider Medical Documentation Form Grace Period Removal (Medicaid)

The HCA has informed Molina Healthcare that there is a change in WIC policy that may affect your patients beginning January 1, 2022. As of that date, WIC can no longer provide a 30-day grace period for therapeutic formulas.

Why the change?

During a recent Food and Nutrition Services policy review, we were instructed to remove all grace periods for therapeutic formulas because individuals receiving them are medically fragile and require medical provider oversight.

How does this affect your patients?

When a caregiver informs WIC staff that their infant needs a therapeutic formula but doesn't have a WIC Medical Documentation Form (MDF) completed and signed by their medical provider, WIC staff will no longer be permitted to issue any WIC formula for the infant until written medical documentation is provided or a medical provider verbally confirms which formula is needed. This also applies to children and women needing therapeutic formulas.

What can you do to help?

When asked, you can help by responding promptly to requests for:

- Verbal orders for therapeutic formulas
- Completing and returning a WIC Medical Documentation Form.

You can download the form here:

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/ForPublicHealthandHealthcareProviders/HealthcareProfessionalsandFacilities/ProfessionalResources/WIC/Prescriptions#forms>

Please reach out for clarification, questions and concerns at WAWICFoods@doh.wa.gov.

We appreciate your partnership and all you do for Washington WIC families.