

MEETING AGENDA

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Meeting Date: August 8, 2022

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<p>Department of Health:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corie Nadzan (Bur. Dir) <input type="checkbox"/> Samantha Phillips-Brown (Bur. Dir) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Josh Huggins (QANS) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alison Conneally (PCCS) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (ISMS) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bridget La Rose (Bur. Dir) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Simone Keo-Louis (Bur. Dir) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tammy Leone-Curtis (FDMVS) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gioacchino Taliercio (FDMVS) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joann Tierney-Daniels (FMS) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cheryl Nary (FMS) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Becker (CDRO) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Iris Marchante (MARO) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AmyLyn Clarke (WRO) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Becky Monahan (WRO) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Becky Monahan (WRO) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beth Huber (WRO) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nancy Mendillo (CNYRO) 	<p>Board Members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lauren Brand <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andrea Byrne <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tammy Lana <input type="checkbox"/> Megan Fulton <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lauren Sondey <input type="checkbox"/> Tanya Reese (Advocate) <input type="checkbox"/> Sue Kowaleski (Advocate) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Misha Marvel (SW Advocate) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lisa Fermin <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Melissa Sacco <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rudy Sicari <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cindy Walsh (Advocate) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sherry Wilson (SW Advocate) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Judette Dahleiden <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Helene Rosenhouse-Romeo <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sara Hettel <input type="checkbox"/> Penny Bashford <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mary Krypel
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AGENDA SECTION	TOPICS	WHO
Welcome & Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Outline of today's meeting ❖ Project Sunlight Forms ❖ Introductions 	Lauren
General DOH Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ General updates ❖ Grant opportunities <p>USDA has release grants to prepare for online shopping and improve the WIC Shopping experience through survey participant and survey vendor. State agencies who Opt-In would be awarded funding.</p>	Corie

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❖ Cash Value Benefits

The board requested redemption data which is not available by county at this time. It was noted that the board is getting the same information as the Department of Health.

❖ Child Nutrition Authorization

Proposed Bill/Legislation by NWA - If it was to pass, this can extend postpartum benefits. Our understanding is that USDA would provide additional funding to cover the additional participants.

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<p>Program Communication and Collaboration Section</p>	<p>❖ Hunger Solutions Round Table Opportunity</p> <p>9 Sessions are being offered and each session is available to 5 agencies. Scheduling on the Rosh Hoshana holiday allows for 9 LA to participate versus 8 LA. Due to greater interest more sessions will be planned for early to late fall</p> <p>❖ PC Policy #1221 requirement</p> <p>PCs working outside clinic hours and the clinic environment is not a new requirement. Local agencies are required to develop their own policies and procedures to outline/document their approach to meeting the requirement. LA are encouraged to work with RO to develop a system that works for the LA to best meet the requirement.</p> <p>❖ Reinstatements</p> <p>A recent WIC Watch article indicated that staff must complete a recertification if a participant had an age change prior to a reinstatement. After further research, we have learned that 3Sigma can run a script to fix incorrect categories assigned due to an age change. Therefore, going forward – a recertification will not be required – and therefore the letter is not required. Updated guidance is forthcoming.</p>	<p>Alison</p>
<p>Quality Assurance and Nutrition Section</p>	<p>❖ Quarterly Record Reviews</p> <p>Completed certification should be look back also at prior ones. Please include RO in Record Review. Try to use more recent records than past records for recertification. Any feedback for improvements may be sent to lacasa@health.ny.gov.</p> <p>❖ LAPPM Policy Approvals</p> <p>LA should expect answer from 30 days of submitting policy. The time frame is 30 days to approve. If no response is received within 30 days, please follow up with your RO for an update.</p>	<p>Josh</p>

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Food Delivery and Vendor Management Section

❖ e-FMNP

Quarterly Meetings with Department of Agriculture and Market will continue so we can seek improvements to help advocate for a shopping experience that utilizes technology.

❖ Farmer's Market Update

Coupon booklets were delayed but have been shipped.

❖ Temporary Formula

A USDA waiver will continue with a current end date of Sept 30th allowing alternate can size. New York is not contracted with Abbott for milk formula and therefore we do not get rebates for non-contract formula. Demand for Mead Johnson formulas has increased and the manufacturer has agreed to extend rebates for larger cans on the formulary to Oct 31st. New York is a Mead State, allowing FNS to pick up costs with food funds. The proposed extension dates of Sept 30th and Oct 31st can be subject to change.

WIC participants are encouraged to continue using their prescribed formula before seeking alternative formula. Please continue to keep on the lookout for WIC Watch and LA Informational Emails for continued updates and utilize the WIC 2 Go app for currently approved formulas. Drop Shipment requests in emergent situations for certain formulas are only available through manufacturers. Neonate formula is not available for Drop Shipment. Nutricia is possible for a drop shipment to allow 1 can. Elecare has none at this time and needs to be contacted through the company directly.

❖ Distribution Center

New order form is available in the WIC Library. Forms for orders are now asked to be completed by emails to the Distribution Centers. The expected turnaround to complete orders is 2-4 weeks for processing received from email requests. A publication ordering reference guide is in development and will be circulated when completed.

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Fiscal Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ EPC funds distribution <p>FFY23 2% increase is across the board allocated to agencies from USDA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Annual Budget Submission <p>Sufficient proof must be submitted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Vacancy Report <p>LA submit monthly vacancy report in NYS WIC is 228.1 average. Guidance Reports should improve reporting TBD</p>	Joann
Information Systems Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Medical Documentation Form <p>CPA or QN is required in check box for forms.</p>	Corie
Other		Regional Offices