# Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention WIC Nutrition Program

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#### State and Local Agency Access to Funds

### Authority

7 CFR §246.4(a)(12) 2 CFR §200

### Policy

1. The State Agency shall reimburse Local Agencies for WIC related allowable expenditures.

# Procedures

- 1. In order to qualify for payment, an expenditure must be:
  - 1.1 At or below the level of its approved budget line item.
  - 1.2 Supported by appropriate documentation (e.g., check, invoice, agenda)
  - 1.3 Reasonable and necessary expense for WIC (refer to Policy No. FM-8, State and Local Agency Allowable Costs for further explanation).
- 2. If at any time expenditure exceeds the amount budgeted for that particular line item, the State Agency requires the Local Agency to:
  - 2.1 Provide justification for exceeding the budget line item
  - 2.2 Make an offsetting adjustment to another line item in its budget
  - 2.3 Request approval of a budget modification
- 3. Local Agencies shall receive payment via the payment method requested which can be either:
  - 3.1 Electronic funds transfer
  - 3.2 State treasury check
- 4. Contract payments will be made according to the Cost Settled Agreement payment schedulemonthly and 1/12<sup>th</sup>.
  - 4.1 Upon receipt and review of each Local Agencies quarterly report, contract management will create a payment, incorporating their decision to not change, withhold or catch-up payments.

- 5. Each Local Agency shall file a quarterly report by the 24th day of the month, following a quarter. This report can be found on the Division of Contract Management's website.
  - 5.1 It is important that each quarterly report:
    - 5.1.1 Reports the total expenditure for each program

5.1.1.1 WIC expenditures (administrative and food)

5.1.1.2 Breastfeeding Peer Counseling (BFPC)

5.1.1.3 Farmer's Market Nutrition Program (FMNP)

- 6. Expenditures must be broken down by line item and function in accordance with the approved budget
- 7. 60-day closeout report
  - 7.1 The sixty (60) day closeout report (due on November 24<sup>th</sup>) is similar to the quarterly financial report, but shows previously obligated expenses from the prior contract period that were disbursed during the period of liquidation.
  - 7.2 Expenditures for the prior contract period paid after November 30<sup>th</sup> may not be reimbursed by the program if funds have already been recaptured by the USDA.
- 8. Requests for reimbursement submitted more than sixty (60) calendar days following the end of the contract period shall not be processed. Exceptions shall be considered on a case-by-case basis for extenuating circumstances such as a catastrophic event, natural disaster, or criminal activity that substantially interferes with normal business operations or causes damage or destruction of the place of business and/or records. A written statement describing the extenuating circumstance and the late request for reimbursement shall be submitted for review and approval to the State Agency.