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### **WIC Appointment Quick Guide**

#### **Household Level**

- Assess voter registration at certification and re-certification appointments
- Food security (questions below adapted from the AAP Hunger Vital Signs)
  - o "In the last 12 months, have you or your family worried whether your food would run out before you got money to buy more?"
  - o "In the last 12 months, did the food you bought run out and you did not have moneyto buy more?"

#### **Pregnant**

- Pregnant enrollment
  - o Referral for substance use and tobacco cessation
  - Breastfeeding promotion resources
  - o BFPC referral, if appropriate
  - o CradleME referral, if appropriate
  - o Nutrition Assessment note regarding pregnancy, including food intake
  - Weight gain guidance
  - Prenatal intake
- Pregnant follow up appointment (all)
  - Weight check
  - Weight gain guidance
  - o Breastfeeding promotion
  - o Prenatal intake, if inadequate previously
  - o BFPC referral, if appropriate
  - o CradleME referral, if appropriate

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#### Child

- 1 year child recert or enrollment
  - o Lead screening—query if done, referral if not done
  - o Referral for substance use and tobacco cessation
  - Immunization proof, not a verbal (ImmPACT)
  - Assess sources of fluoride
  - o Dental care: brushing teeth, recommend dental visit
- 2 year child recert or enrollment
  - o Lead screening—query if done, referral if not done
  - Referral for substance use and tobacco cessation
  - Immunization proof, not a verbal (ImmPACT)
    - If child has received 4 DTaPs, change immunization status to "DTaPs Complete"
  - Assess sources of fluoride
  - o Dental care: brushing teeth, recommend dental visit
- 3 year child recert or enrollment
  - o Referral for substance use and tobacco cessation
  - o If "DTaPs Complete" is not the current status, assess immunization status(ImmPACT)
  - o Lead screening if new enrollment—query if done, referral if not done
  - Assess sources of fluoride
  - o Dental care: brushing teeth, recommend dental visit
- 4 year child recert or enrollment
  - o Referral for substance use and tobacco cessation
  - o If "DTaPs Complete" is not the current status, assess immunization status(ImmPACT)
  - o Lead screening if new enrollment—query if done, referral if not done
  - Assess sources of fluoride
  - o Dental care: brushing teeth, recommend dental visit
- Child MCA (18 months)
  - Length and weight
  - o Hemoglobin check needed 6 months after infant hemoglobin screening
  - o Immunization proof, not a verbal (ImmPACT)
  - o Dental care: brushing teeth, recommend dental visit
- Child MCA (2 ½ years old)
  - Weight check
  - o Immunization proof, not a verbal (ImmPACT)
  - o Does this child need a hemoglobin check?
  - o Dental care: brushing teeth, recommend dental visit
- Child turning 5 years old
  - Exit Counseling

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#### **Infant**

- New baby paperwork
  - Pending proof of income
  - o Scan in new baby paperwork
  - o Enter birth length and weight in the height/weight tab
- Infant certification/first in-person appointment (birth 2 months)
  - Verify income contact has acceptable proof of income for baby. If baby has MaineCare, is Baby's MaineCare listed in income contact?
  - Referral for substance use and tobacco cessation (can be copied from mom's referral(s))
  - Length and weight check
  - o Feeding:
    - Frequency of breastfeeding, # wet/dirty diapers
    - Ounces per bottle, bottles/day if using any formula (used to calculate formula amount to issue in food Rx)
  - Supplementation of vitamin D for fully breastfed babies
  - o Recommend wiping gums
- Infant 3-5 months
  - Weight check
  - Ounces formula per day if mixed feeding (used to calculate formula amount needed in food Rx)
  - o Discuss signs of readiness for solids
  - o vitamin D for fully breastfed babies
  - o Assess how often, if at all, caregiver is wipinggums
- Infant 6-8 months/Infant MCA
  - Weight check
  - Ounces formula per day if mixed feeding (used to calculate formula amount needed in food Rx)
  - Assess intake of infant solids
  - Vitamin D for fully breastfed babies
  - o Immunization proof, not a verbal (ImmPACT)
  - o Dental care: first tooth, brushing, wipe gums
- Infant 9-11 months
  - Weight check and hemoglobin screening
  - o Infant CVV
  - o vitamin D for fully breastfed babies
  - o Document review of R&R (highlight no sale of formula or infant foods)
  - o Dental care: first tooth, brushing, wipe gums
- Infant formula Rx change—any age
  - O Document review of R&R (highlight no sale of formula or infant foods, return all unused formula)

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### **Breastfeeding (Full, Partial, or Some)**

- Breastfeeding certification
  - o Referral for substance use and tobacco cessation
  - Assess for postpartum depression
  - o Hemoglobin screening if 4 weeks postpartum
  - Encourage continuing prenatals
- Breastfeeding nutrition education (first f/u appointment)
  - o Hemoglobin screening if not performed at BF certification
  - Assess for postpartum depression
  - o Return to work/school
  - Breastfeeding frequency
  - o Pumping, if applicable
- Breastfeeding MCA (6-7 months postpartum)
  - Weight check
  - o Hemoglobin screening if 6 months prior was low
  - o Encourage continuing prenatal vitamins
  - Breastfeeding frequency
  - o Pumping, if applicable
- Breastfeeding nutrition education (approx. 9 months postpartum)
  - o Breastfeeding frequency
  - o Pumping, if applicable
  - Exit Counseling

### **Non-breastfeeding**

- Non-breastfeeding certification
  - o Referral for substance use and tobacco cessation
  - Assess for postpartum depression
  - o Hemoglobin screening if 4 weeks postpartum
  - Weight check
  - Encourage continuing prenatals
  - Weight loss goal
- Non-breastfeeding nutrition education
  - o Hemoglobin screening if not performed at BF certification
  - Assess for postpartum depression
  - Encourage continuing prenatals
  - Return to work/school
  - o Exit Counseling at last appointment before certification end date