

Hi Everyone,

Two AK WIC food package problems top this week's update:

1. Ross Infant Formula
2. Lactose Free Milk in MOV Packages

1. Ross Infant Formula Over Issuance:

By now you should all be aware that the state has been over-issuing one can of infant formula in some food packages. We are in the process of creating the new build that will go out this weekend. However, we will not build a new Isomil food package as there are only six days left in the Isomil rebate contract.

What To Do:

1. If you have to issue a food package for Isomil powder in the next six business days (today through September 30), please call Dana, Elaine, or Jennifer so they can walk you through how to prescribe the correct amount.
2. Issue one month's (Sept) worth for Isomil, Sensitive, and Advance until the new build becomes available.
3. Leave your computers on this weekend.

Please note that grantees may be financially responsible for issuing infant formula packages that do not complying with this mandate.

Attached is a client flyer that explains why they will be receiving one less can of formula each month beginning today. We are also creating an updated formula cheat sheet and will send that to you as soon as it is completed.

Please call Dana Kent 465-5322, Elaine Nisonger 269-8446, or Jennifer Johnson 465-8104 if you have questions.

2. Lactose-Free Milk Under-Issuance in MOV Packages

We identified a problem with some Lactose-Free milk MOV packages issued since May 2012. Oddly enough, we did not hear from clients or clinics that packages were short or missing this product. We were notified by Fred Meyer that they had too much lactose-free milk and wanted to know what they should do with it. The AKWIC MOV subsystem has been updated, but we will be re-issuing Lactose Free Milk to clients who received shortened-packages in August.

What To Do:

1. You will get a list from the state identifying the clients that need their full lactose-free milk package
2. You will need to create a "wild card" to issue the additional milk

3. Contact Dana (465-5322) or Jennifer (465-8104) for more information on how to create the wild card.

In other news:

1. Upcoming dates for breastfeeding training opportunities.
January 28-February 1, 2013 Molly Pessel's 45 hour course designed as basic education towards the IBCLC exam
April 15 & 16 Alaska Breastfeeding Coalition at the Millennium Hotel;
room block rates at \$89/night
2. New Food Lists—The state will issue a draft of final changes of the food list before we go to print. At this time we are waiting for USDA to approve our new food list and working on procurement for printing. Contact Alice Albrecht (465-8630) if you have questions.

Have a good weekend,
Kathleen