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Good afternoon-
Here's this week's Friday update.
Have a good weekend!
Jennifer

WIC Soy Formula Contract Change: Spirit is ready as of August 1st to print checks for Gerber Good Start Soy with first date to use of October 1st. Each local agency has been sent a list of people currently receiving Enfamil Prosobee, and a report is being added to Spirit Utilities to help you keep track of who at your agency is still receiving Enfamil Prosobee. Prosobee has been expired in Spirit- meaning that it can't be printed on checks. Stores are aware of the need to stock Gerber Good Start as of October 1- and the fact that during the month of October, there will be checks for both Prosobee and Good Start coming in to stores. Please discuss this change with participants as they come in over the next two months, and let them know the change is coming. Discuss transitioning to the new formula (before they run out of the old formula). A letter is being prepared to alert physicians and hospitals of this change. Contact me if you'd like to suggest others who need notification, or you'd like to use the letter with the medical staff you work with. A flyer for posting and a handout on starting a new formula were on last week's update. Please contact Jennifer Johnson at jennifer.johnson@alaska.gov with questions or suggestions

World Breastfeeding Week

Happy World Breastfeeding Week to you & your clinics next week! I know that many of you have been working diligently on activities for your clinics and I hope to hear from all of you how your events turned out. The Resource Center for Parents and Children sent me a preview to their Big Latch On event which the Fairbanks mayor and (keeping fingers crossed…) the Governor's representative will attend. See the attachment Big Latch On advertising tomorrow's event. I hope you all have some exciting WBW plans for the upcoming week!

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- **See the "Join Us in Celebrating National WIC Breastfeeding Week" attachment for additional WBW tools.**
- **Check out the cute WBW picture!**
- **About Staying Abreast: Weekly Wednesday Wire**

For breastfeeding news in general…if you aren't signed up for the Staying Abreast: Weekly Wednesday Wire here is a link to subscribe and receive weekly updates in breastfeeding news and activities at a national level. Staying Abreast is an e-Newsletter produced by the United States Breastfeeding Committee.

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- Subscribe to the *Weekly Wednesday Wire*
- Manage/update your USBC e-mail subscriptions
- Submit a news brief item for a future issue

SPIRIT Information:

1. With the new version of SPIRIT, Risk Factor 332 (closely spaced pregnancies) can now be CPA or system assigned.

2. Some of you may have noticed SPIRIT has issued one, two or three day checks in the last couple of days. Don't be alarmed, this was part of the new SPIRIT release to resolve the known February problem.

If a PFDTU is after the 28th, SPIRIT will issue until the end of the month, then start benefits on the first of the next month.

3. As you know, we are switching our Soy Formula contract as of October 1st to Gerber Good Start Soy. Due to the contract change starting tomorrow, August 1st SPIRIT will not issue benefits for October 1st or later with Enfamil Prosobee prescribed.

Here are the steps required for adding Good Start to the October benefits:

Issue Benefits - 07/31/2015

Benefits | Food Prescription

Household Member Information

Household Participant	Frequency	Last Set Issued	Last Set PFDT	Last Set LDTU	Prior Certification	Certification Due	Categorical Ineligibility
RED SALMON	Tri-monthly				07/28/2015	05/28/2016	05/28/2020

RED- SALMON
- 07/31/2015-07/31/2015 Half
- 08/01/2015-08/31/2015 Full
- 09/01/2015-09/30/2015 Full

Food prescription contains food item "CONTAINER(S)-12.9 OZ-ENFAMIL PROSOBEE, POWDER - (7020)" which expires on 09/30/2015 for benefit

Cycle Adjustment Type: System Determined / Selected LDTU of (none)

Preview Benefits | Edit First Set

Mailing Benefits | Generate Address Label | Issue Benefits to Selected Members | Cancel

To correct this, you will simply need to add a Food Prescription for 10/1/2015 with Good Start Soy

PF - RED SALMON - 2 Months 3 Days - WIC ID: 00107834 - HH ID: 00063606

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Add Food Prescription

Effective Date of Food Prescription 10/01/2015

Select Formula

Participant Information

State WIC ID 00107834 SALMON, RED

Contract
- 10 - CONTAINER(S)-12.4 OZ-SIMILAC ADVANCE, POWDER
- 34 - CONTAINER(S)-13 OZ-SIMILAC ADVANCE, CONCENTRATE
- 28 - CONTAINER(S)-1 QT-SIMILAC ADVANCE, READY-TO-FEED
- 10 - CONTAINER(S)-12.9 OZ-GOOD START SOY, POWDER
- 37 - CONTAINER(S)-12.1 OZ-GOOD START SOY, CONCENTRATE
- 27 - 4-PACK(S)-33.8 OZ-GOOD START SOY, READY-TO-FEED

Non-contract

Special

OK | Cancel

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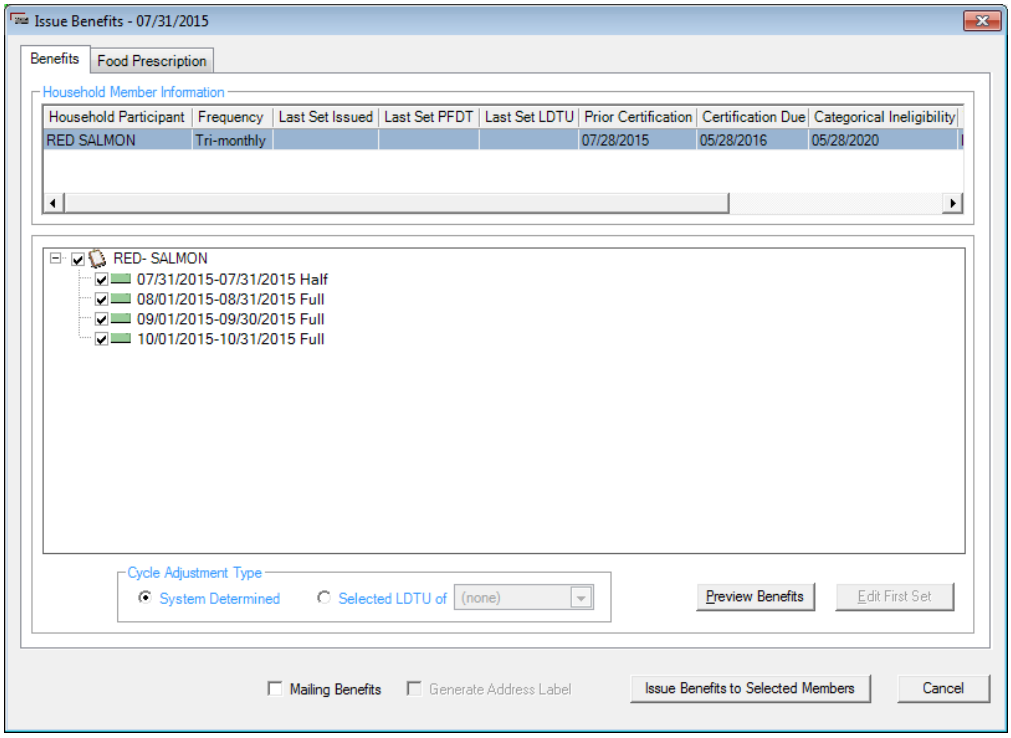

SPIRIT will update the benefits for 1 Oct and later and they can now be issued

SPIRIT Help Desk Info:

Send all questions, issues and errors to the WIC SPIRIT Helpdesk at wicpsirithelpdesk@alaska.gov or phone them at 907-334-4900.