APPENDIX B.2:  
Local Agency PAPER Survey—English

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WIC Nutrition Education Study

Local Agency Survey

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Thank you for completing the Local Agency Survey for the WIC Nutrition Education Study (NEST). This survey is being conducted for the USDA, Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) to collect information that will provide a description of how WIC agencies provide nutrition education to participants. Your local agency/program was randomly selected as part of a group of about 1,000 agencies to represent all local WIC agencies in the nation. Your responses to the survey questions will be combined with responses from the other agencies to develop a comprehensive picture of the methods, staffing, resources, and facilities used to deliver nutrition education in local WIC sites. Your input is critical in achieving the study’s goal of providing a comprehensive description of WIC nutrition education. The information you provide will help strengthen and enhance WIC nutrition education efforts and highlight the efforts across the country to promote healthy eating and physical activity practices among WIC participants.

Local agencies, sites, and individual respondent names will not be identified in any study reports or publications. Although survey responses will be identifiable to FNS, the responses will not be used for compliance or monitoring activities.

**Please complete the survey by MM/DD/YYYY.**

Most questions include a checkbox to check the response(s). Some questions require that you enter numbers or text responses. Please use blue or black ink to complete the survey. The survey will take about 45 minutes to complete.

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| Nutrition Education Survey Help Desk  If you have any problems completing the survey, please contact:  [Toll-free phone number]  [E-mail address] |

WIC Sites

For all survey questions, nutrition education includes breastfeeding education.

1. How many WIC sites operated by your local agency/program provide nutrition education? *(Count any facility or location where your local agency provides nutrition education including full-time, part-time, temporary, satellite, and mobile sites.)*

Number of sites \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Of the WIC sites that provide nutrition education, how many are located in each type of facility listed below? *(Count each site once in the type of facility that is the* ***best*** *match. Consider the organization that owns/operates the site’s facility, which may not be the organization that operates the WIC program.)*

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Type of Facility | Number of Sites |
| City, county, state or U.S. territory health department (not including government-run hospitals) |  |
| Government facility that does **not** provide public health or healthcare services (e.g., community center, government service center, courthouse) |  |
| Indian Health Service (IHS) clinic or hospital |  |
| Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) |  |
| Nonprofit health center or medical clinic (not including IHS or FQHC) |  |
| Hospital (not including IHS hospital) |  |
| Stand-alone WIC site (e.g., leased space in shopping center or other commercial space) |  |
| Nonprofit community services agency facility (e.g., Economic Opportunity Commission, Community Action Agency) |  |
| School or Head Start facility |  |
| Faith-based facility |  |
| Mobile van |  |
| Other (describe): |  |
| Total number of sites |  |

1. About what percentage of participants served by your local agency speak a language other than English as their **primary** language? *(Include participants served at all sites.* *Please estimate if this information is not readily available.)*

* None **🡪** **GO TO QUESTION 5**
* 1–5%
* 6–10%
* 11–30%
* 31–50%
* 51–70%
* 71–90%

91–100%

1. Other than English, what languages are spoken by participants served by your local agency? *(Check all that apply.)*

* Spanish
* Arabic
* American Sign Language
* Cambodian/Khmer
* Cantonese/Mandarin
* Farsi
* French/Creole
* Fulani
* Hindi
* Hmong
* Korean
* Laotian
* Portuguese
* Punjabi
* Russian
* Somali
* Swahili
* Tamil
* Tagalog
* Urdu
* Vietnamese

Other (describe):

High-Risk Participants

1. Does your State agency have nutrition education policies and/or protocols for participants that are identified as high risk?

* Yes
* No

1. Does your local agency classify participants into nutrition risk levels (e.g., high risk, not high risk)?

* Yes
* No

1. What, if any, modifications to nutrition education does your local agency make based on participant’s risk levels or nutrition risks? For this question, “high risk” includes participants identified as high risk and/or participants with nutrition risks requiring special attention. *(Check all that apply.)*

* There are no modifications to nutrition education for high-risk participants.
* High-risk participants receive more nutrition education contacts.
* High-risk participants receive nutrition education from a dietitian, nutritionist, or other health professional.
* High-risk participants are given longer appointment times.
* High-risk participants receive one-on-one counseling instead of group sessions or other types of education.
* High-risk participants receive more detailed and individualized care plans.
* There is more follow-up on referrals for high-risk participants.
* Other (describe):

Nutrition Education Contacts and Methods

1. How many nutrition education contacts does your local agency **plan** for the following participant categories and time periods? While the number of contacts varies based on individual needs, enter the number that is planned for the **majority of participants** in the category. *(Count all contacts planned during the certification period beginning with the certification visit. Enter NA for any category/time period that is not applicable to your local agency.)*

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Participant Category and Time Periods | Number of Nutrition Education Contacts | |
| Participants Who Are NOT High Risk | Participants Who Are High Risk\* |
| Prenatal woman, enrolling in 1st trimester |  |  |
| Prenatal woman, enrolling in 2nd trimester |  |  |
| Prenatal woman, enrolling in 3rd trimester |  |  |
| Breastfeeding woman, 6-month certification period |  |  |
| Breastfeeding woman, 12-month certification period |  |  |
| Postpartum woman, not breastfeeding |  |  |
| Infant, 6-month certification period |  |  |
| Infant, 12-month certification period |  |  |
| Child, 6-month certification period |  |  |
| Child, 12-month certification period |  |  |

\*High risk includes participants identified as high risk and/or participants with nutrition risks requiring special attention.

1. During what types of visits does your local agency provide nutrition education contacts? *(Check all that apply.)*

* Certification visit (e.g., enrollment, recertification)
* Mid-certification visit (e.g., prenatal trimester visit, infant/child mid-certification, breastfeeding mid-certification)
* Secondary education follow-up visit (e.g., group classes, food issuance/pick-up education, breastfeeding follow-up, low risk follow-up)
* High-risk follow-up visit (e.g., nutritionist visit, nutrition counseling visit, high-risk group classes)

Other (describe):

1. How much time is **planned** for providing nutrition education during each type of visit? *(Check one response for each type of visit. Check NA if the type of visit is not provided.)*

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Type of Visit | Less than 5 Min | 5–10 Min | 11–20 Min | 21–30 Min | 31–45 Min | 46–60 Min | More than 60 Min | NA | Don’t Know |
| Enrollment certification | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Recertification — Not high risk, 1 person | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Recertification — High risk, 1 person | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Recertification — 2 or more family members | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Mid-certification | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Secondary education follow-up (individual) | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Secondary education follow-up (group) | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| High-risk follow-up | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Other | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |

1. What methods are used to provide nutrition education? *(Check all methods that are used for each type of visit. Check NA if this type of visit is not provided.)*

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Method | Enrollment Certification | Recertification | Mid-certification | Secondary Education Follow-up | High-Risk Follow-up | Other |
| One-on-one counseling: Face to face (in WIC site) | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| One-on-one counseling: Telephone | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| One-on-one counseling: Video conferencing | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Group education sessions | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Technology-based nutrition education used by participants **at site** (e.g., computer, kiosk, tablet) | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Technology-based nutrition education used by participants **offsite** via Internet (e.g., Internet-based nutrition education modules) | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Other nutrition education activities (e.g., monthly topic, worksheets, videos, self-study modules) | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Type of visit not provided (NA) | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |

1. About what percentage of participants served at **all sites** operated by your local agency receive nutrition education through the method(s) included below? *(Please estimate if this information is not readily available.* *Check one response for each method.)*
2. Group education sessions

* None
* <10%
* 11–39%
* 40–59%
* 60–89%
* 90% or more
* Don’t know

1. Technology-based nutrition education used by participants offsite (e.g., Internet-based nutrition education modules)

* None
* <10%
* 11–39%
* 40–59%
* 60–89%
* 90% or more
* Don’t know

Nutrition Education Reinforcement Practices and Sources

1. How does your local agency follow up with participants about their goals or concerns discussed during nutrition contacts (e.g., breastfeeding issues, weight-related goals)? *(Check all that apply.)*

* Follow-up occurs at subsequent WIC visits
* Telephone calls
* Emails
* Text messages
* Video conferencing

Other (describe):

1. What methods does your local agency use to reinforce the information provided in nutrition education sessions? *(Check all that apply for each type of method.)*

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Onsite Methods | Offsite Methods |
|  Brochures or written materials |  Email messages with nutrition education content |
|  Bulletin boards with nutrition information |  Grocery store tours |
|  Computer, kiosk, or tablet computer at site |  Monthly or quarterly nutrition newsletter sent home |
|  Cooking demonstrations |  Nutrition education DVDs/videos sent home |
|  Display tables with nutrition information |  Social media (e.g., Facebook, Twitter) |
|  Educational props (e.g., food containers, breastfeeding dolls, physical activity items) |  Technology-based education used outside of site (e.g. Internet modules) |
|  Food tasting |  Telephone calls with nutrition education content |
|  Nutrition education DVDs/videos viewed at site |  Text messages with nutrition education content |
|  Support groups (e.g., parenting or breastfeeding group) |  Other: |
|  Other: |

1. What is the source of nutrition education materials (e.g., lesson plans, pamphlets, videos) used by your local agency? *(Check all that apply.)*

* Your State agency
* Your local agency
* Individual WIC sites
* National WIC Works Resource system
* USDA, Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)
* Non-WIC sources

Other (describe):

1. What is the source of the technology-based nutrition education used by your local agency? *(Check all that apply.)*

* Developed or provided by your State agency
* Developed by your local agency
* Developed by individual WIC sites
* Downloaded or obtained from national WIC Works Resource system
* Developed by USDA, Food and Nutrition Service
* Developed by non-WIC sources
* Other (describe):
* Don’t know

Do not use technology-based nutrition education

Policies on Staff Qualifications and Training

The next questions ask about staff your local agency employs to provide nutrition educationand your **local agency hiring policies** for minimum education, credentials, and training requirements.

1. Who provides nutrition education at your local agency? *(Check all job classifications/types that apply.)*

* WIC director/coordinator
* Site/clinic supervisor
* Registered dietitian (RD)
* Degreed nutritionist, not RD
* Trained nutrition paraprofessional (e.g., nutrition assistant, nutrition aid, competent paraprofessional authority, diet technician, social services technician)
* Nurse
* Nutrition education coordinator
* Administrative/clerical/support staff
* Lactation consultant/WIC-designated breastfeeding expert
* Breastfeeding coordinator
* Breastfeeding peer counselor

Other (describe):

1. Which **best** describes how policies are set for the minimum educational and/or credential requirements for staff who provide nutrition education?

* Educational/credential requirements are set by State agency
* Education/credential requirements are set by local agency
* Some requirements are set by State agency and some by local agency
* There are no minimum educational/credential requirements

Don’t know

1. At your local agency, what is the policy for the **minimum educational requirements** for staff who provide nutrition education? *(Check one response for each job classification/type of staff. Check NA if the local agency does not have staff in this category.)*

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Job Classification/Type of Staff who Provide Nutrition Education** | **Degree Required** | | | | **No Minimum Requirement** | **NA** |
| **High School Diploma/GED** | **Associate’s Degree** | **Bachelor’s Degree** | **Graduate Degree** |
| WIC director/coordinator | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Site/clinic supervisor | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Registered dietitian (RD) | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Degreed nutritionist, not RD | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Trained nutrition paraprofessional | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Nurse | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Nutrition education coordinator | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Administrative/clerical/support staff | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Lactation consultant/WIC-designated breastfeeding expert | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Breastfeeding coordinator | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Breastfeeding peer counselor | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Other: | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |

1. At your local agency, what **credentials** are required for staff who provide nutrition education? *(Check all that apply for each job classification/type of staff. Check NA if the local agency does not have staff in this category.)*

Credential is a certification from a professional association or training program.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Job Classification/Type of Staff who Provide Nutrition Education** | **Credential(s)** | | | | | | | | **No Credential Requirements** | **NA** |
| **RD** | **LD/LN** | **DTR** | **RN** | **LPN** | **IBCLC** | **CLC/CLE/CLEC** | **CMA** |
| WIC director/coordinator | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Site/clinic supervisor | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Registered dietitian (RD) | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Degreed nutritionist, not RD | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Trained nutrition paraprofessional | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Nurse | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Nutrition education coordinator | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Administrative/clerical/support staff | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Lactation consultant/WIC-designated breastfeeding expert | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Breastfeeding coordinator | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Breastfeeding peer counselor | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Other: | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |

RD = Registered Dietitian; LD/LN = Licensed Dietitian/Licensed Nutritionist; DTR = Dietetic Technician, Registered; RN = Registered Nurse; LPN = Licensed Practical Nurse; IBCLC = International Board Certified Lactation Consultant; CLC/CLE/CLEC = Certified Lactation Consultant/Certified Lactation Educator/Certified Lactation Educator & Counselor; CMA = Certified Medical Assistant

1. At your local agency, what **training is required for new employees** who provide nutrition education? *(Check all that apply for each job classification/type of staff. Check NA if the local agency does not have staff in this category.)*

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Job Classification/Type of Staff who Provide Nutrition Education** | **Required Training** | | | | | **No Minimum Requirements** | **NA** |
| Competency-Based\* or Certification Program | State-Administered Training Program (e.g., State training center, regional training) | Self-Paced Training Modules (e.g., paper, online, DVD) | On-the-Job with Observation | **Other** |
| WIC director/coordinator | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Site/clinic supervisor | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Registered dietitian (RD) | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Degreed nutritionist, not RD | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Trained nutrition paraprofessional | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Nurse | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Nutrition education coordinator | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Administrative/clerical/support staff | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Lactation consultant/WIC-designated breastfeeding expert | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Breastfeeding coordinator | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Breastfeeding peer counselor | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Other: | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |

\*An educational approach based on a predetermined set of knowledge, skills, and abilities that the student is expected to accomplish.

Staff Training

For the next three questions, **“nutrition education training”** refers to training on methods (e.g., learner-centered education) as well as topics (e.g., importance of whole grains).

1. Does your local agency have a policy that requires ongoing training on nutrition education for any staff members who provide it? Do **not** include continuing education required for maintaining a credential. *(Check all that apply.)*

* Yes, local agency requires specific number of hours per month
* Yes, local agency requires specific number of hours per year
* Yes, local agency implements State agency requirements for ongoing training

No local agency policy requiring ongoing training

1. How is ongoing nutrition education training usually provided to staff? *(Check all that apply.)*

* National/State/regional conferences or workshops
* Training sessions/courses at State training center
* In-person training sessions (e.g., conferences, workshops) provided by your local agency
* In-person training sessions (e.g., conferences, workshops) provided by other local agencies or programs
* State or local agency webinars
* Self-study training modules or courses (online or print copy)
* Training provided during local agency or site staff meetings
* Individual staff mentoring/coaching

Other (describe):

1. About how many hours of nutrition education training does your local agency provide each year to each person who provides nutrition education? *(Check the response that represents the approximate hours* ***per staff member per year****.)*

* None
* 1–6 hours
* 7–12 hours
* 13–18 hours
* 19–24 hours

25 or more hours

1. **In the past 24 months**, about what percentage of staff members who provide nutrition education were trained in the topics listed below? Include training that was provided by your local agency, State agency, and any outside training. *(Please estimate if this information is not readily available.* *Check one response for each topic.)*

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Topics | None | 1–25% | 26–50% | 51–75% | 76–100% | Don’t Know |
| 3-step counseling | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Facilitated group discussion | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Motivational interviewing | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Communication skills | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Goal setting | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Emotion-based counseling | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Skills related to Value Enhanced Nutrition Assessment (VENA) and/or participant/learner-centered education | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Training on a foreign language (e.g., Spanish) | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Other: | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |

Design and Oversight of Nutrition Education

1. How does your local agency **design and oversee** implementation of nutrition education? *(Check all that apply.)*

Design includes developing lesson plans, protocols, and materials for nutrition education. Oversee includes directing, managing, or supervising the implementation of nutrition education.

* One individual designs and oversees nutrition education for all sites.
* A team of two or more individuals designs and oversees nutrition education for all sites.
* Each site designs and oversees its own nutrition education.
* State agency designs nutrition education and local agency oversees nutrition education.
* State agency designs and oversees nutrition education. **🡪** **GO TO   
  QUESTION 30**

Other (describe):

1. Who designs and/or oversees nutrition education at your local agency? *(Check all job classifications/types that apply.)*

* WIC director/coordinator
* Site/clinic supervisor
* Registered dietitian (RD)
* Degreed nutritionist, not RD
* Trained nutrition paraprofessional (e.g., nutrition assistant, nutrition aid, competent paraprofessional authority, diet technician, social services technician)
* Nurse
* Nutrition education coordinator
* Lactation consultant/WIC-designated breastfeeding expert

Other (describe):

1. Are you one of the individuals who designs and/or oversees nutrition education at your local agency?

* Yes

No **🡪 GO TO QUESTION 30**

1. How many years of work experience do you have at WIC designing and/or overseeing nutrition education?

* Less than 1 year
* 1–3 years
* 4–6 years
* 7–10 years
* 11–20 years

More than 20 years

Coordination with Other Programs and Services

1. Does your local agency receive funding, materials, or “in-kind” support (e.g., space, staff, materials) for nutrition education or breastfeeding from any source other than the Federal or State WIC Program?

* Yes

No **🡪 GO TO QUESTION 32**

1. For each non-WIC type of support (funding, materials, or “in-kind”) indicate the source of the support provided to your local agency. *(Check all that apply for each type of support. For types of support that you do not receive, check “NA.”)*

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Source | | | NA |
| Type of Support | State  Government (other than WIC) | Local  Government or Agency | Other Local Sources |
| Nutrition education funding | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Breastfeeding funding | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Nutrition education staff | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Breastfeeding staff | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Nutrition education materials/supplies | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Breastfeeding education materials/supplies | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Space/facilities | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |
| Other: | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 | 🞏 |

1. What programs or services does your local agency work with to coordinate nutrition education activities (e.g., educational materials, campaigns, classes)? *Do* ***not*** *include coordination for outreach or referral purposes. (Check all that apply.)*

* Do not coordinate nutrition education with other programs or services **🡪 GO TO QUESTION 34**
* Breastfeeding coalition or task force
* Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)
* Community Transformation Grant (CTG), REACH, or other CDC program
* Cooperative Extension (Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program [EFNEP] or other services)
* Food bank, food security, or hunger coalition
* Head Start
* Obesity prevention coalition or task force
* Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Education

Other program or service (describe):

1. How does your local agency coordinate nutrition education with these other programs or services? *(Check all that apply.)*

* We develop nutrition education materials or campaigns together.
* Another program or service provides nutrition education at WIC sites.
* WIC provides nutrition education at other program or service sites.
* WIC refers participants for other nutrition education programs or services.
* We collaborate on nutrition education goals and action plans.
* We hold joint staff training sessions.
* We meet routinely (e.g., monthly, quarterly) to share information and discuss opportunities to coordinate services.

Other (describe):

Participant Feedback and Nutrition Education Evaluation

1. How often does your local agency collect feedback from participants about the nutrition education they receive?

* Do not collect participant feedback **🡪 GO TO QUESTION 36**
* At every WIC visit
* Quarterly
* Twice a year
* Once a year
* Once every other year

Once every 3 to 5 years

1. How does your local agency collect feedback from participants about the nutrition education they receive? *(Check all that apply.)*

* Paper survey completed during WIC visit
* Phone survey conducted by your agency
* Mail survey conducted by your agency
* Phone or mail survey conducted by a company hired by your agency
* Electronic feedback system located at site (e.g., touch-screen survey)
* Focus groups or one-on-one interviews with participants

Other (describe):

1. If your local agency were to conduct an evaluation of the impact of nutrition education on participant outcomes, which outcome measures would be most important to include? *(Check up to five responses.)*

* Anemia rates
* Body mass index (BMI) of children
* Breastfeeding rates
* Confidence in skills in preparing healthy meals for children
* Consumption of fruit and vegetables
* Consumption of lower fat milk and dairy products
* Consumption of fruit juice (100% juice)
* Consumption of sugar-sweetened beverages (e.g., soda, sweetened fruit drinks)
* Consumption of whole grains
* Infant feeding practices
* Knowledge about healthy eating
* Physical activity levels
* Readiness for change in nutrition behaviors

Other (describe):

1. Other than increased funding, what additional resources or information would assist your local agency in providing high-quality nutrition education to participants?

About You

Thank you for responding to the questions about nutrition education. The next questions are about you.

1. Which job titles or roles do you have? *(Check all that apply.)*

* WIC director/coordinator
* Site/clinic supervisor
* Registered dietitian (RD)
* Degreed nutritionist, not RD
* Trained nutrition paraprofessional (e.g., nutrition assistant, nutrition aid, competent paraprofessional authority, diet technician, social services technician)
* Nurse
* Nutrition education coordinator
* Administrative/clerical/support staff
* Lactation consultant/WIC-designated breastfeeding expert
* Breastfeeding coordinator
* Breastfeeding peer counselor

Other (describe):

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| If you chose only one response for Question 38, **GO TO QUESTION 40.** |

1. Which **best** describes your **primary** role in the WIC Program? *(Check one response.)*

* WIC director/coordinator
* Site/clinic supervisor
* Registered dietitian (RD)
* Degreed nutritionist, not RD
* Trained nutrition paraprofessional (e.g., nutrition assistant, nutrition aid, competent paraprofessional authority, diet technician, social services technician)
* Nurse
* Nutrition education coordinator
* Administrative/clerical/support staff
* Lactation consultant/WIC-designated breastfeeding expert
* Breastfeeding coordinator
* Breastfeeding peer counselor

Other (describe):

1. What is the highest degree you have completed?

* High school diploma or GED
* Associate’s degree
* Bachelor’s degree

Graduate degree

1. Which, if any, of the following credentials do you have? *(Check all that apply.)*

* Registered Dietitian (RD)
* Licensed Dietitian/Nutritionist (LD/LN)
* Dietetic Technician, Registered (DTR)
* Registered Nurse (RN)
* Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)
* International Board Certified Lactation Consultant (IBCLC)
* Certified Lactation Consultant/Certified Lactation Educator/Certified Lactation Educator & Counselor (CLC/CLE/CLEC)
* Certified Medical Assistant (CMA)
* Other (describe):

No credentials

1. How many years have you worked for the WIC Program? *(Include time at this agency and other WIC experience.)*

* Less than 1 year
* 1–3 years
* 4–6 years
* 7–10 years
* 11–20 years

More than 20 years

WIC Sites Selected for Site Survey

Up to three of your sites were selected to complete a Site Survey as part of the WIC Nutrition Education Study. The name(s) of the site(s) is listed in the table below. For **each** site, please:

(1) Identify the individual who knows the most about the site’s methods, materials, space, and staffing for nutrition education and provide the requested contact information. Possible job titles for the Site Survey respondent include Local Agency Director, Site/Clinic Supervisor, Site WIC Coordinator, Regional Nutritionist, Regional Nutrition Coordinator, Nutrition Education Coordinator, Competent Professional Authority or Senior Nutritionist.

(2) Provide the information about the site’s caseload/participation, the type of facility in which the site is located, and the ZIP code of the site location.

(3) Notify the individual(s) that you selected them to complete the Site Survey. They will receive an email with instructions for completing the Site Survey. If no email address is provided, a paper survey and prepaid return envelope will be sent to them at the mailing address you enter.

If you are the most appropriate individual to respond to the questions about the site(s), please enter your name and contact information. If one individual is the most appropriate to answer for two or more sites, check “Same as Site 1” or Same as Site 2” and do not enter the name and contact information for the additional site(s).

For “Type of Site,” enter the letter associated with the type that is the **best** match for the site facility.

1. City, county, state or U.S. territory health department (not including government-run hospitals)
2. Government facility that does **not** provide public health or healthcare services (e.g., community center, government service center, courthouse)
3. Indian Health Service (IHS) clinic or hospital
4. Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC)
5. Nonprofit health center or medical clinic (not including IHS or FQHC)
6. Hospital (not including IHS facility)
7. Stand-alone WIC site (e.g., leased space in shopping center or other commercial space)
8. Nonprofit community services agency facility (e.g., Economic Opportunity Commission, Community Action Agency)
9. School or Head Start facility
10. Faith-based facility
11. Mobile van
12. Other

If you have any questions about how to complete the table or who should fill out the Site Survey, please contact the Nutrition Education Survey Help Desk at [toll‑free number] or [email].

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|  | [Name of First Site] | [Name of Second Site] | [Name of Third Site] |
| Site Survey Respondent First Name |  | * Same as Site 1  **(GO TO AVERAGE MONTHLY CASELOAD AT SITE)** | * Same as Site 1 * Same as Site 2   **(GO TO AVERAGE MONTHLY CASELOAD AT SITE)** |
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| Site Survey Respondent Last Name |  |  |  |
| Site Survey Respondent Job Title |  |  |  |
| Site Survey Respondent Email Address  (if available) |  |  |  |
| Site Survey Respondent  Phone Number |  |  |  |
| Site Survey Respondent Mailing Address |  |  |  |
| Average Monthly Caseload or Participation **at Site**\* |  |  |  |
| Type of Site (Enter letter for type that best describes this site’s facility) |  |  |  |
| ZIP Code **of Site** Location |  |  |  |

\*Provide either current caseload at the site or average number of participants served each month at the site.

**Thank you for responding to the Local Agency Survey for the   
WIC Nutrition Education Study!**