

**Appendix E.1**  
**Comments from Consultation**  
**Outside FNS**

## WIC Participant and Program Characteristics Study 2020 and 2022

More than eight individuals were invited, via email, to volunteer to review the OMB package.

Two individuals reviewed the OMB package:

1. Julie Reeder, Oregon WIC, [Julie.a.reeder@dhsosha.state.or.us](mailto:Julie.a.reeder@dhsosha.state.or.us)
2. Rachel Colchamiro, Massachusetts WIC, [rachel.colchamiro@state.ma.us](mailto:rachel.colchamiro@state.ma.us)

Two individuals provided responses, summarized as follows:

1. On August 16, 2019, Betsy Thorn and Nicole Kline (Insight Policy Research) met with Julie Reeder of Oregon WIC via teleconference. Ms. Reeder provided feedback on the burden table. She recommended revising the type of respondent and associated wage rates to reflect higher compensation levels. However, she reported that the time burden for the data submission seemed appropriate.
2. On August 21, 2019, Nicole Kline (Insight Policy Research) Met with Rachel Colchamiro of Massachusetts WIC via teleconference. Ms. Colchamiro had discussed the OMB package with two other colleagues prior to the teleconference. She explained the WIC PC submission process is well done. Sometimes submitting food package data is difficult, but the estimated burden is appropriate. She recommended revising the way some data elements are reported to make further data analysis easier for State agencies.

In addition, FNS received consultation on the reporting of anemia data for WIC-PC from scientists at Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. An Epidemic Intelligence Service Officer at CDC, Dr. Jennifer Beauregard, under the supervision of Drs. Heather Hamner and Andrea Sharma, evaluated WIC-PC's reporting of anemia prevalence among WIC participants. The evaluation identified factors to consider when analyzing and interpreting the WIC-PC anemia data.

3. Jennifer Beauregard, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Jennifer, [uzy2@cdc.gov](mailto:uzy2@cdc.gov)
4. Heather Hamner, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, [hfc2@cdc.gov](mailto:hfc2@cdc.gov)

5. Andrea Sharma, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, [aec4@cdc.gov](mailto:aec4@cdc.gov)