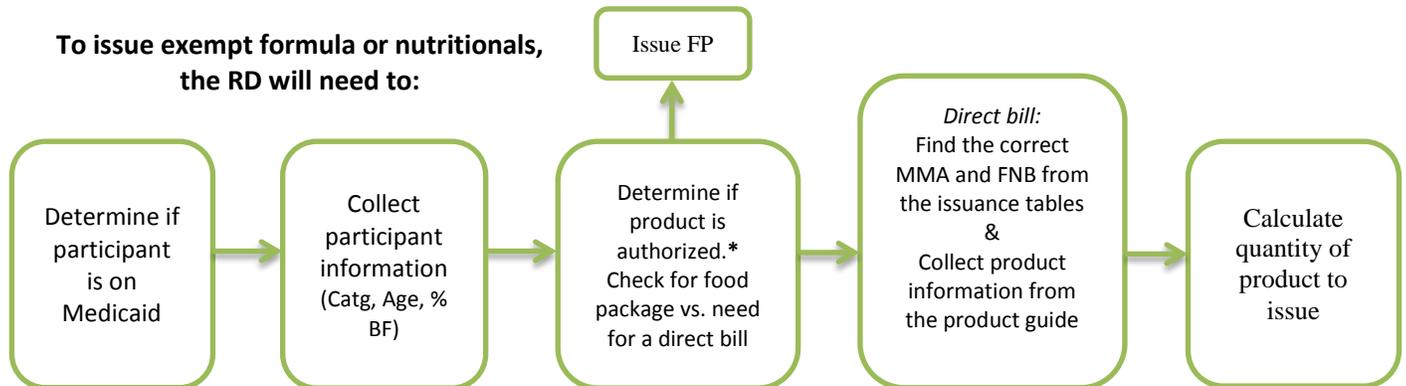


Calculation Guidance & Examples

Determining the Maximum Monthly Allowance (MMA) & Full Nutrition Benefit (FNB)



Note: for a full overview of the WIC formula process or policy, see *Policy Reminders & WIC Formula Process* in the formula handbook.

Food Package & Direct Bills

- Medicaid is the first payer for exempt formula and nutritionals.
- The formula handbook section *Formulas Provided by the Idaho WIC Program* has a list of all exempt formula and nutritionals approved (the green highlighted products have a food package).
- *If a formula or nutritional is not Idaho WIC approved, the RD should work with the HCP to determine a nutritionally comparable substitute that is WIC approved.
- Partial packages may not be available in WISPr for infants combination feeding.
- If you need assistance completing the direct bill, see section *Direct Bill- Training*.

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Infants: *Table 1A - Infant Formula Issuance FNB & MMA* *Table 1B- Supplemental Exempt Formula for Partially Breastfed Infant*

- Locate the appropriate row based on how the infant is feeding (formula or breastfed).
- Within the row, locate the appropriate age of the infant.
- Find the maximum monthly allowance of WIC formula for the appropriate formula type (liquid concentrate, ready to feed (RTF) or powder).

Children and Women: *Table 3- Women & Children Issuance MMA*

- Locate the appropriate row based on category.
- Find the maximum monthly allowance of WIC formula for the appropriate formula type (liquid concentrate, ready to feed (RTF) or powder).

Product Guide

- The formula handbook section *Product Guide* has details on each product including the reconstituted amount.
- The search function is an easy way to find a product, simply enter the name of the product you are looking for in the search box. If you need assistance conducting a search, see the section *How to Conduct a Search in the Formula Handbook*.

Calculations

- Divide the MMA amount found in the federal regulation table by the reconstituted amount; this is the same for the FNB. Multiply the number of cans to be issued by the reconstituted amount to determine if FNB is met.
- MMA/FNB provides a range of how much product can be issued, but not all tables have a FNB.
- If the quantity is not a whole number, round down to get the number of cans that can be issued.

Examples

EXAMPLE 1 - A 4 month old participant has a medical need for PurAmino. The mother is breastfeeding and gives the infant about 10-15 fl. oz of formula each day. They are not on Medicaid. Medical Documentation Form (MDF) faxed to the clinic.

Medicaid	No: WIC to provide an exempt formula
Participant Information	Catg/Age of Infant: 4 month old infant, no solid foods yet
	% BF: Mom is breastfeeding 50% (<i>Mother reported giving 9-16 fl. oz per day of formula</i>)
Food Package vs. Direct Bill (DB)	WIC- Eligible: PurAmino is approved by Idaho WIC (<i>If this formula was not approved, RD would work with HCP to determine nutritionally comparable substitute for WIC approved item and then determine if new product still needs a direct bill or if food package is available</i>)
	Direct Bill (DB): There is not a food package available for PurAmino
Formula Handbook & Product guide	Formula Reconstituted Amount: PurAmino powder reconstitutes at 98 fl. oz/can
	Federal tables: Table 1. Infant Formula Issuance FNB & MMA, Partially BF, for 4 through 5 months. Full Nutrition Benefit (FNB) = 442 fl. oz Maximum Monthly Allowance (MMA) is 522 fl. oz
Calculate	MMA: $522 \text{ fl. oz.} \div 98 \text{ fl. oz/can} = 5 \text{ cans}$ (<i>5.32 cans round down</i>)
	FNB: $5 \text{ cans} \times 98 \text{ fl. oz/can} = 490 \text{ fl. oz}$ (<i>yes, it meets the minimum (442 fl. oz. \div 98 fl. oz/can = 4 can minimum)</i>)

EXAMPLE 2- An 8 month old participant has a medical need for EleCare. The mother is not breastfeeding. They are not on Medicaid. Medical Documentation Form (MDF) faxed to the clinic.

Medicaid	No: WIC to provide an exempt formula
Participant Information	Catg/Age of Infant: 8 month old infant, no solid foods yet
	% BF: 0%, Full formula
Food Package vs. Direct Bill (DB)	WIC- Eligible: EleCare is approved by Idaho WIC <i>(If this formula was not approved, RD would work with HCP to determine nutritionally comparable substitute for WIC approved item and then determine if new product still needs a direct bill or if food package is available)</i>
	Direct Bill (DB): There is not a food package available for EleCare
Formula Handbook & Product guide	Formula Reconstituted Amount: EleCare powder reconstitutes at 95 fl. oz/can
	Federal tables: Table 1. Infant Formula Issuance FNB & MMA, Full formula, for 4 through 5 months because WIC is not providing a solids package. Full Nutrition Benefit (FNB) = 884 fl. oz Maximum Monthly Allowance (MMA) is 960 fl. oz
Calculate	MMA: $960 \text{ fl. oz.} \div 95 \text{ fl. oz/can} = 10 \text{ cans}$ <i>(10.10 cans round down)</i>
	FNB: $10 \text{ cans} \times 95 \text{ fl. oz/can} = 950 \text{ fl. oz}$ <i>(yes, it meets the minimum (884 fl. oz. \div 95 fl. oz/can = 9 can minimum)</i>

Note: The following examples are meant to show the process, staff should always refer to the formula handbook for updated product information and federal regulations for MMA & FNB.