What is WIC?

WIC is a Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for pregnant, breastfeeding, and postpartum women, infants and children up to 5 years of age. WIC provides healthy foods, nutrition education and referrals to other health and social services.

Who is Eligible?

- Pregnant women
- Breastfeeding Women
- Postpartum Women
- Infants
- Children ages 1-5 years

And You Must Meet the Following:

- Income Requirements (see chart)
- Be a Resident of Louisiana
- Have a nutrition related problem

Services WIC Offers:

- ✓ Nutrition Education and Counseling
- ✓ Breastfeeding Support and Education
- ✓ Childhood Immunizations (some clinics give shots others will refer you to another clinic)
- ✓ Referrals to other health/social service programs including; Medicaid, Family Planning, Food Stamps, TANF, LaChip.
- ✓ WIC Foods: Milk, Juice, Cheese, Eggs, Beans, Whole Wheat Bread, Cereals, Fresh Fruits & Vegetables, Infant Formula, Infant Cereal and Infant Fruits & Vegetables.

How to Become a WIC Participant:

- Call 1-800-251-BABY to locate the best WIC Clinic for you.
- Call that clinic. Make an appointment to see if you and/or your children are eligible for WIC.
- Bring Proof of Income.

For each person living in your house, bring one of these items:

- -Pay stub showing "gross income"
- -Current tax records
- -Letter from employer with salary amount
- -Proof of Social Security benefits
- -Alimony or Child Support Payments
- -Other proof (ask clinic)
- ✓ Anyone on Medicaid, Food Stamps or TANF is automatically income eligible for WIC. Please bring proof of participating in these programs.
- Bring Proof of where you live:

Bring one of these items:

- -Rent receipt
- -Utility bill
- -Other proof (ask clinic)
- Bring Proof of Identification for each person who wants WIC benefits: <u>Bring</u>

one of these items:

- -Driver's license
- -Birth certificate
- -State or School ID
- Other proof (ask clinic)

WIC Income Guidelines 2015-2016

Your gross income cannot exceed:

Household	Gross	Gross
Members	Annual	Monthly
1	\$21,775	\$1,815
2	29,471	2,456
3	37,167	3,098
4	44,863	3,739
5	52,559	4,380
6	60,255	5,022
7	67,951	5,663
8	75,647	6,304
9	83,343	6,946
10	91,039	7,587

For more than 10 household members, or if you have any income questions, call 1-800-251-BABY or your WIC Clinic. Individuals with proof of Medicaid, Food Stamps, or TANF automatically meet income requirements.

✓ One pregnant woman counts as 2 household members.



Louisiana WIC Program

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