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Caseload management involves identifying the target population and special populations within it, implementing strategies to enroll the potential population, and utilizing caseload effectively to reach the desired populations. Describe the procedures in place to implement these strategies.

During disasters, emergencies, public health emergencies, or a supply chain disruption, including infant formula recalls, the State agency may request to implement existing and allowable regulatory flexibilities or waivers to support the continuation of Program benefits and services. Waivers granted under Access to Baby Formula Act of 2022 (codified at 7 CFR 246.4a(30)) or temporary provision(s) authorized by Congress are not permanent amendments to the State Plan; however, State agencies should consider any historical amendments as the result of waivers granted under prior waiver authority to develop policies and procedures for current and future disasters.

- A. <u>No-Show Rate</u> <u>7 CFR 246.4(a)(11)(i)</u>: describe the procedures used by the State agency to monitor potential and current participants' utilization of program services.
- B. <u>Allocation of Caseload</u> <u>7 CFR 246.4(a)(5)(i)</u> and <u>(13)</u>: describe how the State agency assigns and manages local agency caseload allocations.
- C. <u>Caseload Monitoring</u> <u>7 CFR 246.4(a)(5)(i)</u>: describe the information and procedures used by the State agency to monitor caseload.
- D. <u>Benefit Targeting</u> <u>7 CFR 246.4(a)(5)(i)</u>; (6), (7), (19), (20), (21), and (22): describe the plans and procedures for ensuring that WIC benefits reach the highest risk participants and persons in special need such as migrants, homeless, and institutionalized persons; pregnant women in their early months of pregnancy; and applicants who are employed or who reside in rural areas.
- E. <u>Outreach Policies and Procedures</u> <u>7 CFR 246.4(a)(5)(i),(ii); (6), (7), (19)</u>, and (20): describe the types of outreach materials used, where these materials are directed, special agreements with other service organizations and how special populations are addressed. Also, provide data on unserved and underserved areas.
- F. <u>Caseload Management Strategies</u> <u>7 CFR 246.16(c)(2)(ii)</u>, <u>7 CFR 246.4(a)(11)(i)</u>; <u>246.7(f)(1),(2)</u>; <u>246.7(h)(3)(i)</u>: describe the policies and procedures used to manage caseload during a funding shortage, lapse in appropriations, or other WIC funding circumstances.

A. No-Show Rate

1.	Policies and Procedures for Missed Certification Appointments and Food Instrument/Cash Value Voucher Pick-Up (No-Shows)
a.	The State agency has specific policies and procedures to ensure follow-up of no-shows for (check all that apply):
	☐ Initial certification for any potential
	participant
	☐ Subsequent certifications for high-risk participants
	☐ Subsequent certification for current participants
	☐ Food instrument/cash value voucher pick-up
	☐ Food instrument/cash value voucher/cash value benefit non-redemption
	State agency has no specific policies and procedures for no-show follow-up
b. The local agency or State agency, when the State agency has no separate local agencies, attempts to contact each pregnant woman who misses her first appointment to apply for participation in the Program to reschedule the appointment. Such procedures include (check that apply):	
	 △ At the time of initial contact, the local agency obtains the pregnant woman's mailing and/or email address and telephone number △ If the applicant misses her first certification appointment, an attempt is made to
	contact her by:
	 ☑ Telephone ☑ Mail ☑ Email ☑ Text ☐ Mobile App ☑ If contact is established, she is offered one additional certification appointment. ☑ If she cannot be reached, the local agency follows-up with a request for the applicant to contact the local agency for a second appointment by sending her a:
	 ☑ Postcard ☑ Letter ☑ Email ☑ Text ☑ A second appointment is provided upon request from the applicant. ☐ Other Click or tap here to enter text.

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2.	Monitoring No-Show Rates						
a.	The State agency has (check all that apply):						
	☐ Standards defining acceptable no-show rates						
	⊠ Policies and procedures designed to assist local agencies to improve no-show rates; Please attach						
	☐ Sanctions that may be applied to local agencies that have chronically unacceptable no-show rates; Please attach						
	☐ Provides regular feedback to local agencies concerning no-show rates						
	☐ Reports to address appropriate follow-up of no-shows						
	\square No specific policies or procedures concerning local agency no-show rates						
b.	As a matter of standard procedure, the State agency monitors no-show rates through (check all that apply):						
	☐ State agency does not monitor local agency no-show rates						
	□ Local agency reviews						
	□ Automated reports □ Automated reports						
	☐ Local agency reports on no-show rates						
	☐ Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text.						
ADI	DITIONAL DETAIL: Caseload Management Appendix and/or Procedure Manual (citation): Policy 6.1						
В. А	Allocation of Caseload						
	DOES NOT APPLY (EXPLAIN WHY AND PROCEED TO NEXT SECTION) Click or tap here to enter text.						
1.	The State agency considers the following factors in its initial allocation of caseload to local agencies in a program year (check all that apply):						
	☐ Percent of target population served by local agency's service area						
	☐ Analysis of no-show, void, non-redemption rates by local agencies						
	☐ Participation by priority and category						
	⊠ Special population						
	pockets						
	☐ Waiting lists						
	☐ Staffing/ability of local agencies to serve caseload						
	☑ Prior year caseload						
	☐ Food package costs per person						
	☐ Special projects						
	☑ Other (identify): funding formula, current participation						

ΑC	ODITIONAL DETAIL: Caseload Management Appendix and/or Procedure Manual (citation):						
Cli	ck or tap here to enter text.						
2.	The State agency has a written procedure for allocation of caseload to local agencies.						
	⊠ Yes □ No						
	If yes, attach written procedure in the Caseload Management Appendix or specify location in the Procedure Manual below.						
	If no, what guidelines does the State agency use for caseload allocation? (Describe in Caseload Management Appendix)						
ΑC	ODITIONAL DETAIL: Caseload Management Appendix and/or Procedure Manual (citation):						
Ро	olicy 6.1						
3.	The State agency has a procedure in place to ensure that current/prior year caseload levels are maintained.						
	□ Yes ⊠ No						
ier	If yes, attach procedure in the Caseload Management Appendix. Click or tap e to enter text.						
4.	If it appears that during the course of the program year all funds will be spent, the State agency may reallocate caseload on the basis of the following factors (check all that apply):						
	□ The State agency does not reallocate caseload mid						
	year						
	⊠ Same basis as for initial allocation of caseload						
	 ■ Local agency high priority participation 						
	■ Waiting lists ■ Waiting lists						
	☐ Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text.						
5.	If it appears that during the course of the program year all funds will <u>not</u> be spent, the State agency may reallocate caseload on the basis of the following factors (check all that apply):						
	☐ The State agency does not reallocate caseload mid- year						
	Same basis as for initial allocation of casoload						

□ Local agency participation levels ☐ Local agency high priority participation ☐ Waiting lists ☐ Successful special projects ☐ Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text. ADDITIONAL DETAIL: Caseload Management Appendix and/or Procedure Manual (citation): Policy 6.1 6. The State agency has written procedures for local agencies to follow in situations of overspending: □ No If a written procedure is available, provide in the Caseload Management Appendix or specify location in the Procedure Manual below. ADDITIONAL DETAIL: Caseload Management Appendix and/or Procedure Manual (citation): Policy 11.2 C. Caseload Monitoring 1. The State agency's caseload monitoring process includes the review of the following data (check all that apply): ☑ Participation levels/rates ☐ High-risk participant levels/rates ☐ No-show rates ☐ Food costs per participant ☐ Food costs by area ☐ Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text. ADDITIONAL DETAIL: Caseload Management Appendix and/or Procedure Manual (citation): Click or tap here to enter text. 2. The State agency uses the following methods to monitor the below task (check all that apply): ☐ Manual reports submitted by local agencies MIS-generated reports (If utilized please attach a description of each report and how they are used) □ On-site reviews Other (specify): State Office-generated reports; ADP reports show the participation counts by month by

project and county. The reports are used to monitor projects' caseloads.

	ODITIONAL DETAIL: Caseload Management Appendix and/or Procedure Manual (citation): ck or tap here to enter text.			
3. Local agency caseload utilization, by any method, is reviewed by the State agency at least:				
	⊠ Monthly			
	☐ Quarterly			
	☐ Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text.			
	□ Not applicable			
ΑI	ODITIONAL DETAIL: Caseload Management Appendix and/or Procedure Manual (citation):			
Αŗ	ppendix VII.C.3.Estimated Average Participation			
D.	Benefit Targeting			
1.	Development and Monitoring of State Agency Targeting Plans			
a. The State agency has a plan to inform the following classes of individuals of the availability of Program benefits (check all that apply):				
	 ☑ Pregnant women, with special emphasis on pregnant women in the early months of pregnancy ☐ High-risk postpartum women (e.g., teenagers) ☑ Parents/Caregivers of Priority I & II infants ☐ Migrants ☐ Homeless persons/families ☐ Incarcerated pregnant women ☐ Institutionalized persons ☐ Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text. 			
Α[ODITIONAL DETAIL: Caseload Management Appendix and/or Procedure Manual (citation):			
C	lick or tap here to enter text.			
b.	The local agency or State agency, when the State agency has no separate local agencies, contacts the following organizations to provide WIC Program information to eligible infants and children:			
	 ☐ Foster care agencies ☐ Child welfare authorities ☐ Other (specify): children's coalitions, food pantries, Head/Early Start, literacy projects 			
c.	The State agency ensures that benefits are targeted to those at greatest risk by limiting the use of			

regression as a nutrition risk criterion to only once after a certification period.

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	□ Yes	⊠ No		
d.	 In addition to, or in lieu of, State-developed plans, the State agency encourages/permits loca agencies to develop their own targeting plans. 			
	⊠ Yes	□ No □	Not Applicable	
e.	If yes, the Sta	te agency a	ssures the appropriateness/quality of local agency targeting plans by:	
	⊠ Review plan	ns during lo	es to submit plans for State agency approval cal agency reviews r tap here to enter text.	
f.	The State age	ncy monito	rs benefit targeting through (check all that apply):	
	 ✓ Automated reports developed by State agency ✓ Manual reports submitted by local agencies ✓ Local agency reviews 			
	J	•	r tap here to enter text.	
ΑĽ	DITIONAL DET	AIL: Caselo	ad Management Appendix and/or Procedure Manual (citation):	
Ро	licy 6.6			
E. C	Outreach Policie	es and Proc	edures	
1.	Outreach Poli	icies, Proce	dures and Materials	
a.	. To administer outreach activities, the State agency (check all that apply):			
			of outreach materials for use by all local agencies	
	•	_	s to develop outreach plans s developed by local agencies	
		•	any outreach materials developed by local agencies	
	☐ Utilizes broadcast media for outreach activities			
	☐ Other (spec	cify): Click o	r tap here to enter text.	
b.	Availability of	f Program b	enefits is publicly announced at least annually via:	
	State Agency	Local A	Agency	
		\boxtimes	Newspapers	
		\boxtimes	Radio	
		\boxtimes	Posters	
	\boxtimes		Letters	
	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	Brochures/pamphlets	

П Social Media (Twitter, Facebook, etc.) X☑ Other (specify): displays, websites, presentations, etc. c. Outreach materials are available in the following languages (check all that apply): □ English □ Vietnamese ☐ Tribal Language(s) ☐ Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text. d. Outreach materials are distributed to (check all that apply): organizations □ Welfare and unemployment offices or social service agencies ☐ Faith-based and community organizations in low-income areas Shelters for victims of domestic violence ☐ Food Banks ☐ Head Start Centers Other (specify): pantries, health/county fairs, day care centers, schools, libraries, job service, grocery stores, etc. ADDITIONAL DETAIL: Caseload Management Appendix and/or Procedure Manual (citation): Policy 6.6 When an ITO State agency operates as both the State and local agency "All" should be checked. 2. Accessibility to Special Populations a. The State agency requires [all, some, none] local agencies to implement the following to meet the special needs of employed applicants/participants. ΑII Some None \boxtimes Early morning/evening clinic hours by appointment П П XEarly morning/evening clinic hours, walk-in basis П П \boxtimes Weekend hours, by appointment

Weekend hours, walk-in basis

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			\boxtimes	Priority appointment scheduling during regular clinic operations
	\boxtimes			Food instrument/cash value voucher mailing procedures specifically designed for working participants
			\boxtimes	Expedited clinic procedures for working participants
			\boxtimes	Evening/weekend nutrition education
				classes
				Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter
		text.		
э.	The St	ate agen	ıcy requi	res/authorizes [all, some, none] local agencies to implement the
	follow	ing to m	eet the	special needs of rural participants (check all that apply):
	All	Some	None	
	\boxtimes			Special clinic hours to accommodate travel time to clinic sites
		\boxtimes		Use of mobile clinics to rural areas
	\boxtimes			Food instrument/cash value voucher mailing procedures
				Specifically designed for rural participants
			\boxtimes	Special appointment/scheduling procedures for rural participants who
				do not have access to public transportation
	\boxtimes			Special food instrument/cash value voucher issuance cycles for rural participants (check one): \Box 2 months issuance, \boxtimes 3 months issuance
				Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text.
Э.		_		res/authorizes [all, some, none] local agencies to implement the following
	to med	et the sp	ecial ne	eds of migrant families (check all that apply):
	All	Some	None	En and an advantage of the confloring at health and a
				Formal coordination with rural/migrant health centers
				Special outreach activities aimed at migrants
				Special clinic hours/locations to service migrant populations
				Expedited appointment procedures to accommodate migrant families
				Special food instrument/cash value voucher issuance cycles for migrant families (check one): \square 2 months issuance; \square 3 months issuance
				Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text.

d. The State agency has in place formal agreements with one or more contiguous States to facilitate service continuity to migrants (exclusive of normal verification of certification procedures):

		, , ,	•	dentify the State agencies
e.		_		res [all, some, none] local agencies to implement the following proceedings homeless families/individuals (check all that apply):
	All	Some	None	
			\boxtimes	Provide homeless applicants with a list of shelters/facilities that fulfill WIC
				Program requirements
			\boxtimes	Undertake regular and ongoing outreach to homeless individuals
				Routinely monitors facilities serving homeless participants to ensure WIC foods are not subsumed into communal food service
				Implement formal agreement with other service providers to facilitate referrals of homeless families/individuals
				Secure a written statement from the facility attesting to compliance with the requisite conditions for WIC services in a homeless facility
				Establish, to the extent practicable, plans to ensure that the three conditions in <u>7 CFR 246.7(m)(1)(i)</u> regarding homeless facilities are met
				Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text.
			AIL: Casel to enter t	oad Management Appendix and/or Procedure Manual (citation): ext.
3.	Unser	ved Geo	graphica	l Areas
a.	order?	In the p	rocess of	ency prioritize areas defined as underserved geographic areas in descending freviewing Medicaid data by county to capture potential eligible participants. We nt methods across the state, with equal access to WIC and cover all areas.
b.	Please	list uns	erved ge	ographic areas or attach a list to appendix: Click or tap here to enter text.
	⊠ No	current	unserve	d areas (check if applicable)
ΑC	DITION	IAL DETA	AIL: Casel	oad Management Appendix and/or Procedure Manual (citation):

4. Underserved Geographic Areas

Click or tap here to enter text.

a.	The State agency has a list on file of served and/or underservenumber of newly potential applicants, the priority level curren participation.	
	⊠ Yes □ No	
b.	The names and addresses of all local agencies found in the las agencies currently in operation.	st FNS-648 Report, reflect all local
	$oxed{\boxtimes}$ Yes $oxed{\square}$ No, an update list is provided in the Appendix	☐ N/A, State agency has no local agencies
AD	DDITIONAL DETAIL: Caseload Management Appendix and/or Pro	ocedure Manual (citation):
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5.	The State agency has a plan to:	
	☑ Inform potential local agencies of the Program and the avail implementation.	ability of technical assistance in
	$\hfill\square$ Describes how State agencies will take all reasonable action	s to identify potential local agencies.
	☐ Encourage potential and existing local agencies to implement neediest one-third of all areas unserved or partially served.	t or expand operations in the
	☐ The State agency does not have local agencies and does not Explanation of how underserved and/or partially served are	
Sta un	DDITIONAL DETAIL: Caseload Management Appendix and/or Presented agency/ITO explanation of how the State agency without londerserved or partially served areas: Click or tap here to enter text.	
F. C	Caseload Management Strategies.	
pote	r FY 2025, Section F. 1 is required. Sections F. 2-5 are optional and tential impacts due to funding shortages or lapse in funding. Stat ategies and consider any necessary policy changes, where approp	e agencies should review the below
1.	Waiting List Management and Procedures	
	The State agency has specific policies/procedures for the estal raiting lists, which are used by all local agencies.	olishment and maintenance of
	⊠ Yes □ No	

b. Waiting list procedures are uniform throughout the State agency.

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⊠ Address

☐ Category ☑ Priority

 \boxtimes Phone number(s)

□ Date placed on waiting list

☐ Nutritional risk ☐ Income eligibility status ☐ Method of application □ Date applicant notified of placement on the waiting list ☐ Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text. i. The State agency requires local agencies to provide information on other food assistance programs to applicants who are placed on a waiting list. If the State agency has no local agencies, it provides the information. □ No ADDITIONAL DETAIL: Caseload Management Appendix and/or Procedure Manual (citation): Policy 2.2 2. Allowable Cost Saving Strategies (Optional) a. Does the State agency have policies and procedures to control cost when funding is insufficient relative to projected costs? ⊠ Yes □ No b. Does the State agency use any of the following policies and procedures? (select all that apply): □ Least expensive brands (LEB) ⊠ Economical container size and packaging ☐ Other, please specify: Click or tap here to enter text. c. During funding shortfalls/to control costs, the State agency requires local agencies to certify participants for the minimum period specified in regulations. $\frac{7 \text{ CFR } 246.7(g)(1)}{100}$ ☐ Yes ⊠ No If yes, please describe or attach applicable policies and procedures. Click or tap here to enter text. d. During funding shortfalls/to control costs, the State agency requires local agencies to shorten certifications on a case-by-case basis. 7 CFR 246.7(g)(2) ☐ Yes \boxtimes No If yes, please describe the case-by-case basis scenario or attach applicable policies and procedures. Click or tap here to enter text. e. The State agency uses targeted outreach to serve participants most in need to control cost. 7 CFR 246.4(a)(7) and 7 CFR 246.6(f). ⊠ Yes □ No

If yes, please describe the process used to determine which group of participants are most in need or attach applicable policies and procedures. Click or tap here to enter text.

3. Mid-Certification Benefit Discontinuation During Funding Shortfalls (Optional)

State agency will provide FNS the following information:

а.	The State agency has specific policies/procedures for establishing and implementing midertification benefit discontinuation due to funding shortfalls, which are used by all local agencies.	
	☐ Yes ☐ No yes, please describe the process used to determine how mid certification benefits will be scontinued or attach applicable policies and procedures. Click or tap here to enter text.	
b.	f a State agency experiences a funding shortfall where it is unable to maintain its current level of articipation for the remainder of the fiscal year and has explored all other alternative actions, he State agency will instruct local agencies to begin mid-certification benefit discontinuation by Select all that apply)	
	☐ Mid-certification disqualification of program participants ☐ Withholding of benefits for program participants	
c.	The mid-certification benefit discontinuation action must affect the least possible number of participants and be directed first at those where their nutritional and health status is at least ris When implementing mid-certification benefit discontinuation due to funding shortfalls, State agencies will select participants by: (Select all that apply)	k.
	☐ Selecting participants in reverse order from the nutritional risk priority system. ☐ Selecting participants who were certified due to possible regression in nutritional status, especially if original eligibility was based on a lower priority condition. ☐ Selecting participants who have only one month left in their certification periods. ☐ Selecting participants at higher income ranges. ☐ Other: specify: Click or tap here to enter text.	
d.	Prior to implementing mid-certification benefit discontinuation due to funding shortfalls, the state agency will notify FNS.	
	□ Yes □ No	
e.	Prior to implementing mid-certification benefit discontinuation due to funding shortfalls, the	

			ry description of the alternative policies and procedures explored or used prior to ng any adverse action.
		-	nation of how the planned action is intended to meet the criteria of affecting the least ecople and also the lowest priority persons to bring caseload in line with available
		☐ Other: sp	ecify: Click or tap here to enter text.
4.		-	shortfalls, the State agency authorizes local agencies to disqualify participants in the ification period for failure to pick up food instruments. (Optional)
		□ Yes □ No	\square N/A, the State agency already authorizes local agency to disqualify participants for failure to pick up food instruments/CVV during normal operations.
			indicate the number of months before a participant is disqualified or attach applicable procedures. Click or tap here to enter text.
5.	Со	mpetitive Ve	ndor Selection Strategies. (Optional)
	а.	vendor cost	ing shortfalls/to control costs, does the State agency have procedures to adjust their containment policies, including their competitive price selection criteria and/or llowable reimbursement levels?
		□ Yes	□No
	b.	vendor auth	ing shortfalls/to control costs, does the State agency have procedures to adjust their orization policies (outside of cost containment), including application periods, teria, and limiting criteria?
		□ Yes	□No
	c.	does the Sta	agency answered "yes" to either a or b: During funding shortfalls/To control costs, ate agency reassesses vendors using the updated vendor authorization policies and teria, including cost containment?
		□ Yes	□No
	d.	_	ing shortfalls/to control costs, does the State agency have procedures to assess the ss of their above-50-percent vendor population to ensure continued oversight of cost ssessment?
		□ Yes	□No