

WIC Program



- Missouri Law RsMo. 191.918 states a mother may breastfeed in any public place
- Employers are required to provide breast time to express breastmilk
- A child that participates in WIC is more likely to be immunized
- WIC participation also results in lower Medicaid costs
- For every dollar spent on a woman in WIC, \$4.21 is saved in Medicaid
- WIC is the nation's premier public health nutrition program
- WIC is offered in all 50 states, Guam, Puerto Rico, and Virgin Islands
- Over half (53.4%) of participants are children aged 5 or younger
- Infants receiving WIC are less likely to be underweight



WIC is a Special Supplemental Food/Nutrition Program for prenatal women, breastfeeding women, postpartum women and infants and children until the age of 5 years. WIC was established in 1972 by an amendment to the Child Nutrition Act of 1966.

To receive WIC benefits, an individual must be categorically eligible, income eligible and have either a medical or nutritional risk. WIC's population comes from some of the nation's poorest households. 73.1% of all WIC participants reported incomes at or less than 100% of the Federal poverty level. WIC's guidelines are at 185% of the Federal poverty level.

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