



Memorandum

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TO: WIC Regional Directors
WIC Local Agency Directors

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DATE: June 25, 2012

SUBJECT: Toddler Formula Issuance Changes

Currently, Similac Go and Grow formulas can be issued to infants from 9 to 12 months of age upon participant request. Now that two different manufacturers will be providing contract formula, the issuance for all standard toddler infant formulas has been changed. Toddler formula will no longer be available for issuance to infants (12 months of age and younger).

Effective immediately, clinics shall no longer issue benefits to **infants** for the formulas listed below.

Formula Code	Formula Description
471	Similac Go & Grow Milk
472	Similac Go & Grow Soy
519	Good Start 2 Gentle (no longer possible to issue to infants)
521	Good Start 2 Protect (no longer possible to issue to infants)
490	Good Start 2 Soy (GS 2 Soy) (will be removed from the infant picklist by July 1)

The formulas listed above may be issued to children over one year of age. They will require a completed medical request form, diagnosis, and approval by Local Agency or State staff as they do now.

- After October 1, 2012, the toddler formulas above will no longer appear on the picklist for infant issuance.
- We recommend that clinics run a Foxfire report to identify any infant issuances of the Go and Grow formulas beyond October 2012 so participants can be contacted to return to the clinic for formula exchange.
- It is not necessary to contact participants who will turn one year of age prior to October 2012.

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- After October 1, Similac Go & Grow Milk and Good Start 2 Soy will receive rebate and be preferred over other toddler formulas, when medically necessary. More information concerning approval of these formulas will be provided during upcoming Contract Formula Change trainings from June through August 2012. Dates and times are available on the training calendar posted at <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/wichd/tng/idl-cal-dates.shtm>.

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