Preventing and Detecting Dual Participation

Purpose

To prevent participants from receiving duplicate food benefits.

Authority

7 CFR Part 246.7

Policy

Each local agency (LA) shall utilize the MIS to help prevent and detect dual participation.

Procedures

I. Preventing Dual Participation
   A. At certifications and with each food benefit issuance, follow procedures for documentation of identity as stated in Policy CS:05.0.
   B. At certification, the participant/parent/guardian signature shall be captured within the Rights and Responsibilities section of the MIS to confirm that him/her and/or the child do not already participate in WIC.

II. Detecting Dual Participation
   A. Each LA shall review and research the client records identified by the MIS as suspected dual participants.
   B. Potential dual participant records will be identified by the MIS and automatically sent via nightly processing to the SA.
   C. When contacted by the SA, the LA shall collaborate with the SA to resolve the suspected dual participant.