

Positions on the National Advisory Council
on Maternal, Infant and Fetal Nutrition

The Council was mandated by Public Law 94-105, enacted October 1975. The Council studies the operation of the Special Supplemental Nutrition Programs for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) and related programs such as the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) to determine how they may be improved. The Council positions are mandated by law and cover all aspects of program operations.

State WIC Program Director

The individual responsible for implementing Federal policy guidelines and administering the WIC Program at the State level. Has operational knowledge about all aspects of WIC, including policy, management, accounting systems, and computer systems.

State CSF Program Director

The individual responsible for implementing Federal policy guidelines and administering the CSF Program at the State level. Has operational knowledge about all aspects of CSFP, including policy, grants management, accounting systems, food inventory systems, and computer systems.

State WIC Program Fiscal Director

The individual responsible for the administration and monitoring of WIC grants at the State and local levels. This includes monitoring compliance of State and local budgets and expenditures with fiscal policies and procedures

State Health Officer

The official, usually referred to as the health commissioner or director, who heads the State health department. This person is responsible for overseeing a wide range of public health services provided by the State health agency.

Local WIC Program Project Director in an Urban Area

The individual responsible for implementing Federal and State policy guidelines and administering the WIC Program at the local level in an urban area. Has operational knowledge about all aspects of the WIC Program, including policy, grants management, accounting systems, and computer systems.

Local WIC Program Project in a Rural Area

The individual responsible for implementing Federal and State policy guidelines and administering the WIC Program at the local level in a rural area. Has operational knowledge about all aspects of the WIC Program, including policy, grants management, accounting system, and computer systems.

Local CSFP Project Director

The individual responsible for implementing Federal and State policy guidelines and administering the CSF Program at the local level. Has operational knowledge about all aspects of CSFP, including grants management, accounting systems, food inventory systems, and computer systems.

State Public Health Nutrition Director

The official of the State health department responsible for directing public health nutrition services, which include the areas of maternal, infant and child nutrition, elderly nutrition, and nutrition for persons with developmental disabilities and chronic diseases.

Representative of an Organization Serving Migrants

Individual from an organization that either directly or indirectly provides services to migrants or advocates through legislative efforts, public education, litigation and research to improve the health and welfare of migrants.

Official from a State Agency Serving Predominantly Indians (Representative of a WIC Indian Tribal Organization (ITO))

An individual responsible for WIC Program operations for an ITO. WIC authorizing legislation allows Indian tribes, bands or groups that are recognized by the Department of Interior to operate as State agencies independent of geographic WIC State agencies.

Parent Participant in the Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) - 2 positions

Participant in the WIC Program as a pregnant, postpartum or breastfeeding woman, or the parent/guardian of an infant and/or child participant.

Parent Participant in the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)

Participant in CSF Program as pregnant, postpartum or breastfeeding woman, or the parent/guardian of an infant and/or child participant.

Pediatrician

A physician specializing in the development, care and diseases of children.

Obstetrician

A physician specializing in obstetrics, i.e., the care of women during and after pregnancy.

Person Involved at the Retail Sales Level of Food

An individual from a company or organization involved in retail food sales.

Expert in Alcohol Education and Prevention

An individual experienced in alcohol abuse education and prevention, especially in the areas of screening, counseling and referring for treatment of pregnant and postpartum women.

Expert in Drug Abuse Education and Prevention

An individual experienced in drug abuse education and prevention, especially in the areas of screening, counseling and referring for treatment of pregnant and postpartum women.

Expert in Breastfeeding Promotion

An individual who has education and training in the skills and techniques of breastfeeding.

Representative of a Non-profit Public Interest Organization

An individual from an organization that serves the public interest such as a advocacy or community action group or a food bank.

Official from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services - 2 positions

An individual employed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Official from the Department of Agriculture - 2 positions

An individual employed by the Department of Agriculture.