

REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION/INTERPRETATION

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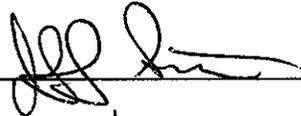
1. TYPE OF REQUEST: Follow-up to Verbal Request - Date of Verbal Request: _____ x Written Request

2. STATEMENT OF QUESTION OR ISSUE: Can Goods and Services funding (under the 0208 Waiver) be used to purchase formula for an 8 -year old child who can only consume formula for nutrition? The child's physician has provided supporting documentation indicating that her body is unable to process solid foods, pureed foods, or even liquids other than formula. This purchase request has been declined by our regional office, saying it is a standard food purchase, which is considered room and board.

3. ANSWER: Individual Goods and Services allows for the purchase of nutritional items if there is a specific need by the individual in service and it is related to the disability. In the situation described above it would not be "normal" for an eight year old child to consume formula as their means of nutritional dietary intake, therefore under these circumstances and with supporting documentation from a professional explaining the need for the consumption of formula, this request should be approved for cost plan payment.

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Approved and Issued by:  (Program Director)
 Date: 3/1/13

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