



Weekly Information & Communication



Weekly WIC Newsletter

November 7, 2016

State Office Holidays

The State Office will be closed November 8th and 11th.

National WIC Association Local Agency Membership

Many thanks to everybody who has already paid their 2017 local agency membership dues. If you haven't, today is your opportunity [to join or renew](#) your local agency membership and reinvest with the **National WIC Association (NWA)**.

Your commitment, dedication, and hard work have given you the right to claim a voice in the WIC conversation for you and for the over 8 million nutritionally at-risk mothers and young children you help WIC serve daily. Your voice is essential to NWA's success on behalf of WIC. Without your active participation and continued support, NWA could not fulfill our mission to educate and advocate for improved health outcomes. By reinvesting in NWA you invest in your future as the frontline of professionals of WIC, and in a nation of healthier families. This is your invitation [to join or rejoin NWA today](#).

Comments on FDA Proposed Infant Formula Labels and Labeling Guidance

Do you think infant formula manufacturers should substantiate structure/function claims made in infant formula labels?

NWA urges you to respond to the USDA Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) [Draft Guidance for Industry: Substantiation for Structure/Function Claims Made in Infant Formula Labels and Labeling](#). NWA strongly supports the Guidance and has made additional recommendations to improving the final draft so that ethical marketing practices of infant formula manufacturers in the United States are properly addressed.

Please feel free to use NWA's [model comments](#) for your submission. **Deadline is November 8th** and information on how to submit comments can be found [here](#).

Webinars Available from California WIC Association

[There are two webinars available](#). Each webinar is worth 1 WIC CEU.

Webinar on Microbiota in Allergic Disease

Tuesday November 22, 2016 at 1PM EST time, Christina West will be presenting on *The Role of Gut Microbiota in Allergic Disease*. This webinar will explore the role of the infant gut microbiota in health and allergic disease and explain dysbiosis in the allergic infant and the clinical relevance of it. If you are interested please visit [Nutricia Learning Center](#).

Weekly Risk Code Highlight

[Risk Code 352b](#), Infectious Diseases Chronic is defined as a condition that will likely last a lifetime and require long-term management of symptoms. Infectious diseases come from bacteria, viruses, parasites, or fungi and spread directly or indirectly, from person to person. An example of when this would be used is if a participant states they have HIV or Hepatitis C.

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