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Dear Healthcare Professional:

The Nevada Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program promotes breastfeeding as the optimal feeding method for most infants. For those infants who consume formula, Similac Advance is the standard infant formula offered. Similac Soy Isomil, Similac Sensitive and Similac Total Comfort are also available, as appropriate. A multi-state WIC agency contract with Abbott Nutrition for these formulas provides a special price that allows the WIC program to serve more participants in Nevada.

Due to this contract, beginning February 1st, 2024, Nevada WIC is unable to provide non-contract standard and intolerance formulas made by other manufacturers (ex. Mead Johnson Enfamil, Nestle Gerber Good Start). Nevada WIC will proceed with adopting the procedure of other WIC states in the same multi-state contract with Abbott and disallow the issuance of non-contract standard formulas through Nevada's food benefit issuance system.

The formulas Nevada WIC is unable to provide include, but are not limited to:

- Enfamil Infant
- Enfamil Gentlease
- Enfamil Sensitive
- Enfamil Enspire line
- Enfamil NeuroPro line
- Similac 360 Total Care (powder)

- Similac 360 Total Care Sensitive (powder)
- Similac Pro-Total Comfort
- Gerber Good Start Gentle/Pro
- Gerber Good Start SoothePro
- Enfamil ProSobee
- Gerber Good Start Soy

Interim Guidance

Prior to February 1, 2024, if a Nevada WIC participant in your care requires one of these items, it can be reviewed for approval after a trial of NV WIC contract formulas (Similac Advance, Sensitive, Total Comfort and/or Isomil) and the completion of the NV WIC Medical Documentation providing a qualifying diagnosis. The medical documentation form can be found at: https://nevadawic.org/healthcare-providers/

If there are questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to Nevada WIC at 1-800-863-8942 or WICgeneral@health.nv.gov. Any mail correspondence can be sent to 400 W King Street, Suite 305, Carson City, NV 89703.

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