

Lane County, Oregon

FY 08-09 Service Options Sheet

Service: **Women, Infants and Children Nutrition Program**
 Dept: Health and Human Services
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BCC Service Priorities: **1**
 Fund: **124** Dept. Org ID: **3427234**
 Dept. Priority: **7** of **18**
 Fund Priority: **1** of **46**

Executive Summary

WIC services ensure healthy birth outcomes, reduce premature deliveries/low birth weights and improve the health of pregnant and postpartum women, infants and young children who have medical or nutritional risk conditions and a low income. Pregnant women are highest priority. Health assessments, individualized nutrition counseling to improve risk conditions and nutrition education classes are required components of the program. Specific supplemental nutritious foods (in the form of vouchers) are provided to clients based on nutritional needs. Referrals are made for health care and basic needs. Services are provided in Eugene, Cottage Grove, Florence and Oakridge.

State/Federal Mandate

ORS 409.600 requires provision of WIC services. By accepting Oregon Department of Human Services funding, **Local Public Health Authority** must provide WIC services. ORS 431.416 addresses the local public health authority. WIC services are within the Parent/Child Health Services. WIC funding is dependent upon maintaining the caseload at assigned level (7,706 clients per month).







Outcome Measure/s

1. At least 97% of state-required caseload served through WIC program each month. 2. At least 7,706 clients per month served by WIC (minimum number of WIC clients per month to meet the state-required level).

Service Level Descriptions. Level 1 (very bottom) = Threshold Level Below Which Service Cannot Be Provided

X=Funded		Other Funds	Expense Total	General Fund	FTE
	Proposed Service Funding >>	854,124	1,123,813	269,689	11.70
	Level 2: WIC Health Assessments, Nutrition Counseling, Vouchers	155,666	315,208	159,542	3.70
	Federal regs require health assessments, nutrition counseling, high risk follow-up, group education classes, health care referrals and WIC food voucher issuance. Eligibility determinations required. All program activities and maintaining assigned caseload are required in order to provide WIC services. At this funding level, WIC could serve 7,706 clients/month, which is the state-assigned caseload for Lane County				
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	"Shall" Mandate		Highly Leveraged to County provided service (100% return or greater)
	Related Mandate		Leverages Funds to County
	No Clear Mandate		Leverages Funding for Citizens and/or Community Organizations

Leverage Details

At the FY 07-08 level of service, the GF portion of this program leverages:	\$0	back to the General Fund
	\$1,006,866	into other County Funds
	\$0	directly or via subcontract to community orgs
	\$5,100,000	directly to citizens via services provided
	373.34%	General Fund Leverage Ratio

For the purpose of this comparison, only include leveraged funds that are dependent on General Fund revenue. Do not include funds that would still be leveraged if the General Fund portion of the service were decreased or eliminated.

Please use this space to explain the Proposed Service Level Funding impact on leverage of the varying levels of service described above.

At level 2 (15.4 FTE), WIC will serve 7,706 clients per month. At level 1 (11.7 FTE), WIC would serve 6,032 clients per month, rather than the assigned caseload of 7,706 women, infants & children per month. With level 2 staffing, 42% of pregnant women in Lane County would receive WIC services; at level 1 (11.7 FTE), only 27% of pregnant women would be served. WIC participation during pregnancy reduces incidence of low birth weights & premature deliveries; for every \$1 spent on WIC, \$3.50 saved in costs for poor birth outcomes. At level 2, WIC would leverage \$1,006,866 in state DHS funds. At level 1, caseload would decline, so WIC would leverage only \$785,355 in state DHS funds. This would create a downward spiral effect further reducing caseload. At level 2, the program would leverage \$5,100,000 in revenues to community through WIC vouchers. At level 1, revenues to the community would be \$3,978,000.