



Arizona eWIC Food Category and Subcategory Decisions

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Food Subcategory Decision Factors

- FNS Cat/Subcat Recommendations
- Decision in Clinic vs. Grocery Store
- Unit of Measure Options
- Training
- Cost Containment
- Formula Subcategories



FNS Recommendations

- Using the Cat/Subcat Recommendations and modified them to fit Arizona
- Created additional Milk and Formula Subcategories
- Considered changes to Unit of Measure



Choice at Clinic vs. WIC Vendor

- Legumes issued at Broadband:
 - Peanut Butter
 - Canned Beans
 - Dry Beans, Peas & Lentils
- Cow's Milk issued separately:
 - Gallon
 - Half Gallon
 - Quart



Unit of Measure Options

- Factors
 - Broadband vs. Issue Separately
 - Foods in the Marketplace
 - Flexibility for future changes to the food list



Training Materials

Powdered Dry Milk

Powdered dry milk can be purchased in 9.6 oz to 25.6 oz boxes. Divide the number of ounces on Family Balance by the box size (in ounces) to find out how many you can buy.

$$\text{Ounces on Family Balance} \div \text{Box Size in Ounces (oz)} = \text{Number of Boxes}$$

Example:

$$115.2 \text{ oz} \div 25.6 \text{ oz (Box Size)} = 4.5 \text{ Boxes}$$



You can buy four (4) 25.6 oz boxes!

Evaporated Milk

Divide the number of ounces on Family Balance by 12 to find out how many cans you can buy.

$$\text{Ounces on Family Balance} \div 12 = \text{Number of Cans}$$



12 oz

Example:

$$192 \text{ oz.} \div 12 = 16 \text{ cans}$$

$$352 \text{ oz.} \div 12 = 29 \text{ cans}$$



One (1) Gallon (Gal)



OR



Two (2) .5 Gallons

.5 Gallon + 2 Quarts (Qt)

OR



Four (4) Quarts



Cost Containment

- Cow's Milk issued separately:
 - Gallon
 - Half Gallon
 - Quart
- Increased Costs for Participants purchasing Half Gallons and Quarts instead of Gallons
- NTE Calculations at Subcategory Level



Formula

- Naming Convention
 - Long and short descriptions (e.g. Pediasure Grow & Gain vs. Pediasure 1.5 Cal – both 8 oz. containers)
- Would create different subcats for formulas with size changes (e.g. Similac Alimentum Powder changed from 16 oz. to 12.1 oz.)
- Only one SubCat is needed for formulas that come in units and cases, only one subcat is used (e.g. Pediasure 6 Packs (8 oz bottles) and Case of 4 x 6 Packs (8 oz bottles))



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