



TO: All Providers

RE: Coverage of Over-the-Counter Formula and Nutritional Supplements for Clients Enrolled in the WIC Program and Medicaid

This bulletin serves as a reminder to providers that the CT Medical Assistance Program (CMAP) covers specialty/prescription formula for patients. The Special Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) patients on specialty formulas who also have Medicaid (HUSKY) coverage requires a prescription for specialty formula.

Since December 1, 2021, the Connecticut WIC Program adopted federal regulation that identifies Medicaid as the primary payor of Exempt (special/prescription) infant formula and medical foods for dually enrolled (WIC and Medicaid program) clients.

The Connecticut WIC program is contracted with Abbott Laboratories® to provide the following standard formulas for healthy infants birth to 12 months of age whose mothers choose not to breastfeed and those who partially breastfeed:

- **Similac Advance**
- **Similac Isomil Soy**
- **Similac Sensitive**
- **Similac Total Comfort**
- **Similac For Spit Up** (with medical documentation)

The above standard formulas will continue to be covered by the WIC Program. Dually enrolled

clients (WIC and Medicaid) who require special formulas (not including the products contracted with Abbott Laboratories previously mentioned in this Bulletin) require a prescription. Claim reimbursement will be paid by Medicaid as primary payor.

Reminder: Enteral Nutritional Products, dispensed by CMAP providers, are subject to the confirmation of receipt of products paid by CMAP as outlined in [Provider Bulletin 2021-56](#).

Please note: There is no change as to how pharmacies will bill for nutritional supplements. A valid diagnosis code is still required for all nutritional supplements being billed to CMAP and should be documented on the prescription by the prescribing provider. There are a set of diagnosis codes specific to:

- the under 21 population
- the over 21 population.
- if the dispensed quantity exceeds 21,600 mLs per month

A list of all acceptable diagnosis codes can be found on our Web site at https://www.ctdssmap.com/CTPortal/Portals/0/StaticContent/Publications/Enteral_list.pdf.