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POLICY: Nutrition Services Plan

Each local agency must complete and submit a Nutrition Services Plan (NSP). It must include:

- An evaluation of last year's NSP objectives and action plans.
- A report on any special projects, if applicable.
- A current NSP based on the guidance sent by state staff.

Staff must submit the NSP to state staff by the deadline specified in the instructions.

PROCEDURE:

- A. The WIC coordinator:
 - 1. Determines the staff who will be involved in developing the NSP.
 - 2. Ensures the breastfeeding coordinator, nutritionist, and other designated staff have time blocked in their schedule to develop the NSP.
- 3. Assists with and assures the NSP is completed.
 - 1. Submits revisions to the plan as needed, or assigns staff to do this.
 - 2. Supports the NSP objectives and action plans.
 - 3. Keeps the approved NSP on file for 4 years.
- B. The coordinator, breastfeeding coordinator, nutritionist, and other designated staff work together to:
 - 1. Evaluate the previous year's NSP and develop objectives and action plans for the current year's NSP.
 - 2. Share the NSP breastfeeding and nutrition education objectives and action plans with staff.
 - 3. Ensure that clinic staff are involved in carrying out the NSP's action plans throughout the year.

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C. State staff:

- 1. Acknowledge and document receipt of the NSP.
- 2. Review each agency's NSP and let local agency staff know if it's approved or what revisions need to be made and resubmitted to state staff for approval.
- 3. Let the coordinator, and staff who develop the plan, know the deadline for revisions in the notification letter.