



State Staff Directory – WIC/CSFP

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Still don't know who to call?

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Caseload: Current	WIC Website or Your State WIC Consultant
Caseload: Past	WIC Website or Your State WIC Consultant
Civil rights and fair hearings	Jenny Skinner, 651-201-4415
Claims and payment issues	Amy Lee, 651-201-4424
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Eligibility/ineligibility requirements	Your State WIC Consultant
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Food packages	Your State WIC Consultant
Formula/nutrition questions	Your State WIC Consultant
Grant applications/agreements	Your State WIC Consultant
HuBERT software/hardware issues	MN Help Desk, 800-488-8799, press 2
Income guidelines	WIC Website or Your State WIC Consultant
Nutrition questions	Your State WIC Consultant
Nutrition education	Your State WIC Consultant
Print-material ordering questions	Email health.wic@state.mn.us
Purchasing (e.g., local agency equipment, etc.)	Your State WIC Consultant
Risk codes	Your State WIC Consultant
Medical formula ordering/requests:	Trend Fields, trend.fields@state.mn.us (cc: health.wic@state.mn.us)
Appropriateness of medical formula	Your State WIC Consultant
What formula WIC allows	Your State WIC Consultant
Staff qualifications	Your State WIC Consultant
Vendor question	Trend Fields, 651-201-4417
Benefit issuance procedures	MOM Section 8.3 Issuing WIC Cards or Your State WIC Consultant
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