

# Frequently Asked Questions and Answers Michigan WIC Infant Formula Change

Beginning with **November benefits**, Michigan WIC will offer Similac instead of Enfamil formulas.

Refer to the Formula Change Table to see what Similac formulas will be offered.

### 1. Why is WIC changing brands of standard infant formula?

• WIC is required to give infant formulas at the best value for the state.

#### 2. Are formula brands the same?

 All standard infant formulas for healthy babies meet the same FDA high standards for quality and nutrition. Both Similac and Enfamil brand formula have similar products to meet your child's needs (i.e., low-lactose, fussiness and gas, spit up, soy-based and milk-based).

## 3. My child is doing well on Enfamil formula. Do I have to change formulas?

- Yes, you will have to change formulas starting with your child's November benefits. WIC will no longer be providing Enfamil formulas. We understand this change may feel scary. Please know, most babies do well on both Enfamil and Similac as they are very similar.
- Whether your child has been on Enfamil for one month or many months, they will have to switch formulas. WIC staff will work with you to help make this change as smooth as possible.

# 4. When I change my child's formula, what should I expect?

- It is normal that a child may experience some minor symptoms when changing formulas. For example, a child's stool may look or smell different, or you may notice some spit-up. If you have concerns, please contact your WIC Clinic.
- Please contact your child's health care provider if you see symptoms like a rash, diarrhea, constipation or vomiting.

# 5. My child did not tolerate Similac formula before. Will they have problems now?

 Your baby is continuing to grow and develop every day and may have outgrown formula problems.

## 6. Will my child get the same amount of formula?

Yes, WIC will follow the same guidelines for amount of formula provided, based on your child's
age.

### 7. I've seen other sizes of Similac formula in the store. Is it possible to get my formula in another size?

• WIC can only offer certain sizes of formula. You will only be able to purchase the size/type listed on your WIC Shopping List.

#### 8. My family receives another specialty formula from WIC. Will we have to change to something else?

• If someone in your family receives a specialty formula that requires a doctor's note, they can still receive that formula.

Formula Change Table		
Enfamil to Similac Change November 2021		
Enfamil Formula		Similac Formula
Enfamil Infant and Enfamil Reguline		Similac Advance
Enfontil  Perfect  Information		Similar  ADVANCE  TOTAL TOTAL TOTAL  NOCIDE  N
Enfamil ProSobee		Similac Soy Isomil
Enformil  Washington		Similar Soy Isolato Soy Isolat
Enfamil Gentlease		Similac Total Comfort
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Additional Similac Products Available Upon Request:		
Similac Sensitive		
Similar Signification  Control  Control		