

Washington WIC – Certifier Competency Training Worksheet

9. Nutrition Education

Competency	Certifier is able to:	Training Requirements
Use critical thinking to guide	Assess the participant's nutrition,	Complete the following modules in the
participant centered	breastfeeding/chestfeeding, physical activity and	Learning Center (LC):
conversation and offer nutrition	health needs and interests using information	DOH STATE WIC Nutrition Education
education.	collected during the assessment.	Training (60 mins)
	 Analyze and prioritize topic(s) for discussion. 	DOH STATE WIC Participant Centered
With curiosity and acceptance,	Facilitate a participant centered conversation with	Education (1 hour 30 mins)
support participant to:	the participant or parent guardian:	DOH STATE WIC Participant Centered
 Explore concerns, interests 	 Explore information related to participant's 	Education Post-Test (15 mins)
and motivations	nutrition risks and other topics relevant or of	 Complete the post-test with 80% or
 Identify own solutions and 	interest to the participant/parent guardian	higher score
small achievable next steps	 Consider the participant's capabilities, strengths, 	DOH STATE WIC Drug and Harmful
(Goals)	values, cultural practices and customs,	Substance Information Training (20 mins)
	environmental factors, family influences and	
	individual needs.	Review the nutrition education required
	Use open-ended questions,	guidance:
	affirmations, reflections, and summaries (OARS).	 Nutrition Education at the Initial and
	 Explore participant thoughts and feelings and 	Subsequent Certification and Presume
	ask permission before providing nutrition	Eligible Complete Assessment (PDF)
	education using Explore-Offer-Explore (EOE)	Nutrition Education at the Mid-Certification
	techniques.	Health Assessment (PDF)
	 Individualize nutrition education and guide 	 Second Nutrition Education –
	participant toward meaningful behavior	Individual (PDF)
	change.	• Second Nutrition Education – Group
	 Have a goal setting conversation to explore goals 	Class (PDF)
	or next steps if participant is ready	 Second Nutrition Education – High Risk
	 Summarize next steps and affirm plans for 	with a WIC Registered Dietitian Nutritionist
	behavior change as appropriate.	(RDN) (PDF)
	Document a note in the participant's Individual	• Second Nutrition Education – High Risk by a
	Care Plan including:	Non-WIC Registered Dietitian Nutritionist
	 The appointment type as the title. 	(RDN) (PDF)
	 The participant/parent guardian's thoughts 	• Second Nutrition Education – Online
	and feelings about the topic(s).	

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	 Information offered/shared/discussed about 	Education (PDF)
	the topic(s).	Drug and Harmful Substance Information
	 The participant's goal, if the participant is 	(PDF)
	ready to set a goal or document that the	 Staff Tool: Required Documentation at
	participant wasn't ready to set a goal.	Nutrition Education Contacts
	 Additional information for future support and follow up. 	
	Document the nutrition education topic(s) discussed and mark as "Complete" in the Care Plan	
	 Nutrition Education. 	

Additional Resources

Training:

- WIChealth Training DOH STATE WIC WH ONLINE NUTRITION EDUCATION (1 hour 30 mins)
 - o Train staff on WIChealth within 6-12 months of hire. Use agency training or WIChealth course listed above.
- DOH STATE WIC <u>Participant Centered Goal Setting</u> (30 mins)
- Nutrition Education and Care Plan Guidance (PowerPoint) (25 mins)
- <u>Cascades CBT Unit 4 (40 mins)</u>
 - Cascades Supplement Unit 4 (20 mins)

References:

- WIChealth Online Nutrition Education resources to educate participants about WIChealth
- WA WIC WIC Connects
- WA WIC Nutrition Education Materials

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