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High Weight-for-Length (Infants and Children < 24 months of age) - RF 115 (2.04315)

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POLICY: Risk Factor 115 (High Weight-for-Length) shall be assigned to an infant or child less than (<) 24 months when the criteria listed in this policy are met. Procedures for obtaining data, documentation and assigning risk factors must be followed.

PROCEDURES:

A. Obtaining Data

For an infant or child less than (<) 24 months, complete the following:

1. Obtain the weight and length with adherence to the procedures in the [Health and Nutrition Assessment Handbook \(HNAH\)](#).

B. Documenting and Plotting

1. Record weight and length measurements in MOWINS.
2. MOWINS will automatically plot the recorded measurements on the CDC birth to 24 months gender specific growth charts (based on the WHO growth standards).

C. Assessing and Assigning Risk Factor

1. Risk Factor 115 (High Weight-for-Length) will be automatically assigned if an infant's/child's (Birth to less than (<) 24 months) weight-for-length measurement plots greater than or equal to (\geq) 97.7th percentile weight-for-length plotted on CDC Birth to 24 months gender specific growth charts.* Refer to Risk Factor Detail Guide.

*Based on the 2006 World Health Organization (WHO) international growth standards. CDC labels the 97.7th percentile as the 98th percentile on the Birth to 24 months gender specific growth charts.

D. Providing Appropriate Counseling (see Counseling Guides for suggested counseling). Refer to the [Nutrition Training Manual](#) for additional information.

1. Counseling and education shall be provided by the CPA.
2. Document counseling contact in MOWINS.

E. Providing Referrals.

1. Provide appropriate referral information and document in MOWINS.