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WIC Program Income (1.05450)

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POLICY: WIC program income will be used appropriately to meet the needs of the WIC program. Program funds may not be used to pay for retroactive benefits.

PROCEDURES:

- A. Program income is defined as gross income received by the State WIC office directly generated by a grant-supported activity during the grant period [7CFR3016.25\(b\)](#). The following types of funds are program income:
1. Royalties from publications.
  2. Fees for reproducing or mailing publications, videotapes, posters, etc.
  3. Interest earned on rebate funds for infant formula or other foods.
  4. General grants not tied directly to foods redeemed, but made for inclusion of food items in a State's food package (such as Welch's grants).
  5. Vendor civil money penalties or fines, to also include any interest charged in their collection.
- B. WIC program income will be used only to support the goals of the WIC program. Prior approval will be obtained from FNS to use program income for costs that support program objectives but are not currently permissible as charges to the WIC grant. In no event, however, will program income be used for costs specifically disallowed by OMB Circular A-87.
- C. WIC program income can be used as any of the following, depending on the needs of the program.
1. WIC food dollars (100%).
  2. WIC nutrition services and administrative dollars (100%).
  3. Both WIC food and nutrition services and administrative dollars in any combination.
  4. Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) matching funds when needed and as allowed by law and regulations.
- D. The WIC State director will determine how WIC program income will be used at the end of each quarter. Documentation of use will be maintained and provided to FNS through routine reporting procedures.
- E. WIC program income will be used during the fiscal year:
1. In which the claim arises

2. In which the funds are collected; and/or
3. Following the fiscal year in which the funds are collected.