WIC: Local Agency Breastfeeding Peer Counseling Program

1. Breastfeeding Peer Counseling (BFPC) Program Deliverables:

1.1 The Contractor shall have a BFPC Program Coordinator who: is responsible for the oversight of the program; plans and monitors the program activities; conducts in-service sessions and regular meetings; and recruits, hires, orients, supervises peer counselor(s) and submits required reports as defined in the Missouri WOM Policy 2.2.020.

1.2 The Contractor shall have at least one peer counselor who: is able to discuss benefits of breastfeeding; encourages breastfeeding; provides culturally appropriate support; provides encouragement to prenatal and breastfeeding women; and serves as role model during the contract period.

1.3 The Contractor shall schedule the peer counselor(s) so that at a minimum fifty percent (50%) of their total contacts are face-to-face interactions with participants, such as a clinic visit, home visit, or hospital visit.

1.4 The Contractor shall send the BFPC Program Coordinator or designated staff to the BFPC training sessions and regional quarterly meetings provided by the Department.

1.5 The Contractor shall conduct BFPC training sessions for its WIC staff and peer counselors as instructed by the Department.

1.6 The Contractor shall comply with all BFPC Policies defined in the Missouri WOM Policies 2.2.010 through 2.2.080.

1.7 The Contractor shall manage an electric breast pump loan program in compliance with the WIC Breast Pump Policy as defined in the Missouri WOM Policy 2.1.030.

2. Budget/Allowable Costs:

2.1 The Contractor shall use the allocated funds only for the BFPC program as set forth in the Department’s Guidelines for Allowable Items for Reimbursement (Attachment F).

2.2 The Contractor shall directly pay peer counselors a stipend or wage as set forth in Attachment F and as defined in the Missouri WOM Policy 2.2.040.

2.3 The Department reserves the right to reallocate BFPC funds at the end of the second quarter if the Contractor has spent less than forty-eight percent (48%) of the allocated funds or at the end of the third quarter if less than seventy-three percent (73%) has been spent. The Contractor will be given thirty (30) days prior written notification of any reallocation.

3. Documentation:

3.1 The Contractor shall require all peer counselors to document BFPC contacts in MOWINS and on the Department approved contact logs when working outside the clinic as defined in the Missouri WOM Policy 2.2.050.
4. **Reports/Invoicing:**

4.1. The Contractor shall enter expenditures on the specified area of the Online WIC Invoicing Application according to funding allocated in the contract and submit monthly.

4.1.1 The Contractor shall enter expenditures for allowable items on the Online WIC Invoicing Application tab under Special Funds. Invoice Special Funding 1 Breastfeeding.

4.1.2 The Contractor shall enter expenditures for allowable items on the Online WIC Invoicing Application tab under Special Funds. Invoice Special Funding 2 Breastfeeding Peer Counseling.

4.1.3 The Contractor shall request approval from the State BFPC Program Coordinator for expenditures that were not approved on the Local Agency Plan (LAP) budget for either Special Funding 1 or Special Funding 2 Breastfeeding Peer Counseling prior to purchase.

4.2 The Contractor shall submit to the Department, by the 10th of the following month, the Missouri WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Monthly Activity Report as defined in the Missouri WOM Policy 2.2.050, and verify that it accurately reports the number of contacts made by the peer counselor(s).

5. **Special Provisions:**

5.1 All material developed with BFPC funds shall be the property of the Department.