MISSION OF WIC
To assure healthy pregnancies, healthy birth outcomes and healthy growth and development for women, infants and children up to age 5 who are at nutritional risk, by providing nutritious supplemental foods, breastfeeding promotion and support, education on healthy eating, and referrals to healthcare and critical social services.

FUN FACTS

FROM OUR PARTICIPANTS
"As a first-time mom I can say that [WIC staff] are very helpful with me and my baby especially during those days of my breastfeeding struggle. I almost gave up but because they gave me lots of information, encouragement and consistent support I was able to overcome my breastfeeding difficulties and breastfeed my little one."

WIC PARTICIPANT, GUAM

"The WIC program helps me get some fruits and vegetables which are very expensive in Guam for the kids snacks so they can eat healthier."

WIC PARTICIPANT, GUAM

WHO PARTICIPATES IN WIC?
Guam WIC Participation FY 2017

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WIC IS EFFICIENT
Guam Food and Nutrition Services Benefits FY 2017

Average monthly food value per participant $77.57
Net federal food cost $6,183,403
Competitive bidding savings $1,688,728
Nutrition, client services, and program management $3,044,836
Total funds to state $10,916,967

Source: USDA FNS WIC Program Data FY2017 https://www.fns.usda.gov/pd/wic-program

BREASTFEEDING

Guam WIC Participant Breastfeeding Initiation Rates

National WIC Participant Breastfeeding Initiation Rates

Source: USDA 2016 WIC Participant and Program Characteristics (PC) Report. PC data allows for standardized comparisons to demonstrate overall progress. Some states collect more data than required by the PC Report and may yield different and more current results than shown.

EBT STATUS

Guam has implemented WIC EBT/eWIC statewide. All state WIC programs must transition from paper vouchers to electronic benefit transfer cards (EBT) by 2020.

WIC SUPPORTS MILITARY FAMILIES

Guam WIC services eligible military personnel at Anderson Air Force Base and at the Guam Naval Station. The commissary at each of these two locations is also a WIC vendor.

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