



## HOW WIC HELPS THE MUSCOGEE CREEK NATION

### 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

**MUSCOGEE CREEK NATION ROLLED OUT EBT IN FY 2018.**

**MUSCOGEE CREEK NATION OFFERS THE MY OK WIC MOBILE APP TO IMPROVE THE SHOPPING EXPERIENCE FOR WIC PARTICIPANTS.**

### FROM OUR PARTICIPANTS

*"I have been on WIC with all three of my children. I was unable to breastfeed my first two children so I wanted to be successful with my last one. I was able to breastfeed for the first six months with the help of the ladies at WIC. When I needed to put her on formula I learned the best way to make the transition without causing stress to my baby. If it wasn't for the support WIC gave me during those times, I would not have got to experience breastfeeding with my last baby. They are always good to make my appointments on days that work best for me and my family."*

**WIC PARTICIPANT, MUSCOGEE CREEK NATION**

*"I would like to express my appreciation to the MCN WIC program for the assistance my family has received. My grandson Judah is one of three grandsons that I'm raising. Judah was born with serious medical conditions that have resulted in two life flights and three open heart surgeries before the age of six. The WIC program assisted with specialized formula for Judah's first year and then provided pediasure supplements until he was five years old. The Dietitian was also very helpful during this time, providing us with information that helped us better meet Judah's needs. Thanks in part to WIC assistance, Judah is now thriving and catching up quickly to his developmental milestones."*

**WIC PARTICIPANT, MUSCOGEE CREEK NATION**

### WHO PARTICIPATES IN WIC?

Muscogee Creek Nation WIC Participation  
FY 2017

Pregnant Women	195
Fully Breastfeeding Women	75
Total Breastfeeding Women	99
Postpartum Women	204
Infants	552
Children	1,554
Total	2,605
Coverage (% eligible)	NA

Sources: USDA FNS WIC Program Data FY2017 <https://www.fns.usda.gov/pd/wic-program>; U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support. National- and State-Level Estimates of (WIC) Eligibles and Program Reach in 2015. Note: The number of Fully Breastfeeding Women is included in the number of Total Breastfeeding Women.

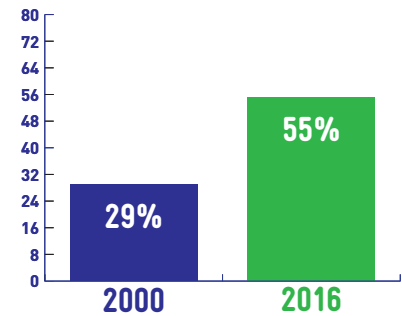
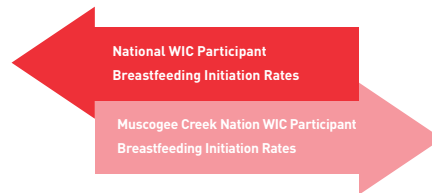
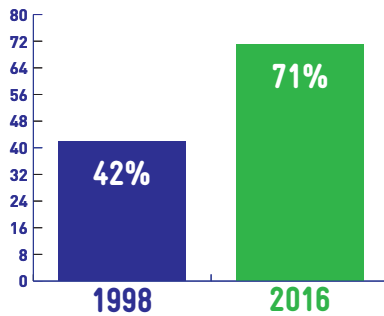
## WIC IS EFFICIENT

Muscogee Creek Nation Food and Nutrition Services Benefits FY 2017

Average monthly food value per participant	\$38.36
Net federal food cost	\$1,198,869
Competitive bidding savings	\$547,380
Nutrition, client services, and program management	\$838,093
Total funds to state	\$2,584,342

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

## BREASTFEEDING



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

Muscogee Creek Nation 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

Muscogee Creek Nation does not have a clinic on a military base; however, they are supportive of military families by offering the following support: The Muscogee (Creek) Nation WIC Program will ensure that a VOC document is issued to WIC participants affiliated with the military who will be transferred overseas. VOCs will be accepted from participants returning to the U.S. from an overseas assignment who are currently participating in the WIC Overseas Program.

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