Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention WIC Nutrition Program

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Compliance Requirements

Authority

7 CFR §246.8(a)(2) 22 MRSA §255 and §1951 10-144 CMR Chapter 286, §II.P.1

Policy

- 1. The State Agency shall review all Local Agencies for compliance with nondiscrimination laws and civil rights regulations.
- 2. Local Agencies shall ensure that all clinic facilities are accessible to participants with disabilities. If a site is unable to meet a participant's accessibility needs, other accommodations must be put in place and documented in the participant's file.

Procedures

- 1. Civil rights reviews of Local Agencies shall be conducted annually as part of the Management Evaluation Review (MER) process.
- 2. The State Agency shall monitor the following in its civil rights reviews of Local Agencies:
 - 1.1. The Local Agency has corrected all past substantiated civil rights problems or noncompliance issues.
 - 1.2. Case records include information about race/ethnicity.
 - 1.3. A process for providing civil rights training is the responsibility of the local agencies to ensure that all staff have received training.
 - 1.4. All Local Agency clinic sites display an original copy of the USDA nondiscrimination poster, "And Justice For All."
 - 1.5. Program information has been provided to applicants, participants, and organizations representing underserved populations.
 - 1.6. The nondiscrimination policy statement and civil rights complaint procedure are included on all printed materials such as applications, pamphlets, forms, or any other materials distributed to the public.
 - 1.7. Local Agencies maintain and monitor their Civil Rights Complaint Log, as outlined in Policy CR-4, Civil Rights Complaint Process.