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Subject: Oregon Health Plan (OHP) is primary payer for covered formulas and nutritional supplements covered by OHP and WIC, effective January 12, 2024.

Effective January 12, 2024, the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) [updated Oregon Administrative Rule 410-148-0100\(5\)\(d\)](#) to clarify that Oregon Health Plan (OHP) is the primary payer for formulas covered by the Oregon Health Plan to treat women, infants and children who are both enrolled in OHP and the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC). This includes formula and nutritional supplements administered orally and/or via tube feeding.

Why is this happening?

This rule update is to comply with federal regulations in [7 CFR 246.10\(e\)\(3\)\(vi\)](#) and federal guidance from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in [WIC Policy Memorandum #2015-07, EO Guidance Document #FNS-GD-2015-0044](#).

What should you do?

For formula and/or nutrition supplements services requested on or after January 12, 2024:

- Share this current information with clinical staff who review and process requests for formula and/or nutrition supplements.
- Review and update policies and procedures as needed to ensure that eligible members can access this benefit with no requirement to use WIC resources first.

Questions?

If you have any questions, please contact Lacy John at Lacy.M.John@oha.oregon.gov.

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