**IV. Failure to Thrive Formulas (for children at least 12 months of age)**

Hypercaloric formulas and medical foods are available for infants and children who have been assessed to be failing to thrive. Prescribed items may be issued by WIC if the participant has a medical condition which precludes or restricts the use of conventional foods and necessitates the use of a formula. ***The medical foods are not to be authorized solely for the purpose of enhancing nutrient intake or managing body weight if the participant is able to eat conventional foods adequately.***

Hypercaloric infant formula prescriptions may include:

* regular formula mixed to a higher caloric density
* formula with standard dilution which is >20 calories per ounce

All hypercaloric formulas and recipes for a hypercaloric dilution must be prescribed by a licensed health care provider prior to issuance. According to WIC Federal Regulations (7 CFR, Part 246), monthly formula issuance amounts are based on participant age, feeding choice if participant is <12 months (partially breastfed or fully formula fed) and form of formula (powder, concentrate, ready to feed). Partially breastfed infants needing supplemental formula may receive a maximum of one can of powdered formula in the first 30 days of life,and will have monthly issuance tailored according to individual need throughout the rest of the first year. WIC maximum formula issuance amounts for all age groups, infant feeding choices and forms of formula are included for each item listed.

**For WIC participants who are enrolled in the MaineCare program:**

* ***Hypercaloric formulas*** may be provided by WIC up to the federal maximum issuance per month. Any medically necessary amounts needed over WIC’s federal maximum will be provided by MaineCare.

**If the infant is not enrolled in MaineCare:**

* The Maine CDC WIC Nutrition Program will provide the formula in amounts not to exceed the federal maximum issuance per month.

**Prescriptions for these formulas must include:**

* **specific product requested**
* **diagnosis**
* **length of time the product is needed**
* **amount prescribed per day**

Health care providers may use the ***Maine CDC WIC Nutrition Program/MaineCare Request/Prior Authorization for Medical Formula/WIC-Eligible Nutritionals*** form to obtain approval and prior authorization for MaineCare coverage. **This form must be sent to the local WIC office in order for MaineCare to approve coverage of the formula prescribed.**

**NOTE: Formulas not included on this formulary may be authorized for issuance through WIC on a case-by-case basis.**

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| **Failure to Thrive—Child Formulas** |
| **Product Name** | **Description** | **Packaging** | **Energy** | **Maximum Monthly WIC Issuance Amounts** |
| **PediaSure Grow & Gain**(Abbott Nutrition) | Complete nutrition medical food which can be used for oral or tube feeding for children 1-13 years of age. **Suitable for lactose intolerance** (not for those with galactosemia)**Gluten Free****Low** **Residue****Kosher****Halal** | **Ready to Feed Liquid:** 8 oz. bottles, 6 bottles/package, 4-six packs (24 bottles)/case (vanilla, chocolate, strawberry, banana, berry)**NDC:****Vanilla—**70074-0580-50**Chocolate—**70074-0580-59 **Strawberry—**70074-0580-56**Banana —**70074-0580-53**Berry—**70074-0538-19 | **30 Cal/fl. oz** |

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| **Children**  |
| **RTF** 8 fl. oz. | 113 bottles |

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| **PediaSure Grow & Gain with Fiber** (Abbott Nutrition) | Complete nutrition medical food with fiber which can be used for oral or tube feeding for children 1-13 years of age. **Suitable for lactose intolerance** (not for those with galactosemia)**Gluten Free****Kosher****Halal** | **Ready to Feed Liquid:** 8 oz. cans, 24 cans/case (vanilla)**NDC:****Vanilla--** 70074-0580-62**Strawberry--**70074-0563-69  | **30 Cal/fl. oz** |

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| **Children**  |
| **RTF** 8 fl. oz. | 113 cans |

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| **Pediasure Sidekicks®**(Abbott Nutrition) | Complete nutrition formula for children for both oral and tube feeding uses**Suitable for lactose intolerance** (not for those with galactosemia)**Gluten Free****Kosher & Halal** | **Ready to Feed:** 8 oz. bottles, 6 bottles/carton (vanilla, chocolate, strawberry) **NDC:** **Vanilla:** 70074-0624-87 **Chocolate:** 70074-0624-85**Strawberry:** 70074-0624-83 | **18.75 Cal/fl. oz**  |

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| **Children**  |
| **RTF** 8 fl. oz. | 113 bottles |

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| **Failure to Thrive—Child Formulas** |
| **Product Name** | **Description** | **Packaging** | **Energy** | **Maximum Monthly WIC Issuance Amounts** |
| **PediaSure® 1.5 Cal** (Abbott Nutrition) | Complete nutrition medical food for oral or tube feeding for children 1-13 years of age who require higher caloric concentrated feedings. **Suitable for lactose intolerance** (not for those with galactosemia)**Gluten Free****Kosher****Halal** | **Ready to Feed Liquid:** 8 oz. cans, 24 cans/case (vanilla)**NDC:** 70074-0564-10(individual cans)  | **43.75 Cal/fl. oz** |

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| **Children**  |
| **RTF** 8 fl. oz. | 113 cans |

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| **Pediasure® 1.5 Cal with Fiber** (Abbott Nutrition) | Complete nutrition medical food with fiber which can be used for oral or tube feeding for children 1-13 years of age. **Suitable for lactose intolerance (**not for those with galactosemia)**Gluten Free****Kosher****Halal** | **Ready to Feed Liquid:** 8 oz. cans, 24 cans/case (vanilla)**NDC:** 70074-0564-12 | **43.75 Cal/fl. oz** |

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| **Children**  |
| **RTF** 8 fl. oz. | 113 cans |

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| **PediaSure® Enteral Formula 1.0 Cal** (Abbott Nutrition) | Complete nutrition medical food for tube feeding **Suitable for lactose intolerance** **Gluten Free****Kosher****Halal** | **Ready to Feed Liquid:** 8 oz. cans, 24 cans/case (vanilla)**NDC:** 70074-0518-05 (individual cans)  | **30 Cal/fl. oz** |

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| **Children**  |
| **RTF:** 8 fl. oz. | 113 cans |

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| **Failure to Thrive—Child Formulas** |
| **Product Name** | **Description** | **Packaging** | **Energy** | **Maximum Monthly WIC Issuance Amounts** |
| **PediaSure® Enteral Formula 1.0 Cal with Fiber**  (Abbott Nutrition) | Complete nutrition medical food for tube feeding **Suitable for lactose intolerance** **Gluten Free****Kosher****Halal** | **Ready to Feed Liquid:** 8 oz. cans, 24 cans/case (vanilla)**NDC:** 70074-0518-07(individual cans)  | **30 Cal/fl. oz** |

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| **Children**  |
| **RTF:** 8 fl. oz. | 113 cans |

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