

Concept Paper Discussion

Now that you have read the Concept Paper, how would you respond to these questions?

1. A primarily breastfed 12-day-old infant has lost more than 10% of his birth weight. His mother is pumping to increase her milk supply, and has been giving supplemental formula (6 ounces/day) per her doctor's recommendation. Dialogue with mother and the WIC LMS determines that she still needs to offer supplemental formula. Besides offering an electric pump and following-up in 1 month, what food package would you issue this mother?
2. WIC doesn't give formula to breastfed infants in the first month. But if a mom is novel breastfeeding, her baby may receive up to 9 cans of formula. Explain how this works.
3. No formula is routinely given to breastfeeding infants in the first month of life. How do you decide who can receive formula?
4. After a thorough conversation with a mother, you decide that she would benefit from 4 cans of formula for her 2 month old infant. What food package would you issue the mother?
5. If an infant is premature, can she receive one can of formula and mom still receive the exclusive breastfeeding package?
6. If an exclusively breastfeeding mom tells you that she is not producing enough milk because of a previous breast reduction, would you provide formula? If so, how would you decide how much formula to provide? What food package would you issue mom?
7. A mom comes into the clinic and is giving about half formula and half breast milk. She plans to continue to combination feed this way because, "Breastfeeding is going great!" How would you counsel this mom based on the WIC breastfeeding concepts?
8. During a breastfeeding mom's WIC appointment, she tells you that even though she is breastfeeding, she wants as much formula as she can get for her baby. How do you counsel this mom?
9. At a mom's first postpartum visit, she was given the Novel Breastfeeding food package. When she returns, she is no longer offering formula to her baby. What food package do you give this mom?
10. A two week old infant arrives with a Neosure prescription for prematurity, and mom tells you she hopes to keep breastfeeding for at least 6 months. What food package do you give this mom, and how do you counsel her?