

Step 1 applies only to the person who is 18 years of age or older and is signing for the household today. If you are seeking WIC benefits for minor applicants (infants, children, and pregnant or postpartum women less than 18 years of age or younger) your responses WILL NOT affect their eligibility for the program. Minor applicants are not subject to any citizenship verification.

Date:

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ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC BENEFITS – STEP 1

Please check one of the following:

☐ I am applying for WIC benefits for myself. (Complete the Eligibility for Public Benefits section below.)

☐ I am NOT applying for WIC benefits for myself. (No further response needed, proceed to Consent for Services.)

Eligibility for Public Benefits

This section is not required by federal law; however, as required by Indiana Code 12-32-1, this section must be completed by all **applicants** who are **18 years of age and older**.

I verify, under the penalty of perjury, that I am:

- 1) a United States citizen; or
- 2) a Qualified Alien (as defined under 8 U.S.C. 1641).

A person, who knowingly or intentionally makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in the verification above commits a Level 6 felony pursuant to Indiana Code 12-32-1-7.

Printed Name of Adult Applicant

Signature of Adult Applicant

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- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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