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Role of Nutrition Research in Updating Child Nutrition Programs

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ABSTRACT
The WIC, National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs play key roles in supporting the nutrition and health of pregnant and breastfeeding women, infants, young children and students. These programs reach millions each day and are an important investment in the nation's health. Recent reports by the Institute of Medicine have detailed recommendations to revise the nutrition standards and requirements so that the programs are updated to reflect changes in nutrition knowledge, changes in program participant demographics, and address concerns about the increased prevalence of obesity and risk for chronic diseases. Specific questions that will be addressed: (1) How did nutrition research contribute to the IOM recommendations? (2) How are the IOM recommendations implemented? (3) How will we assess if changes in the programs will have an impact on health? (4) How can these programs reduce food insecurity and obesity at the same time?

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