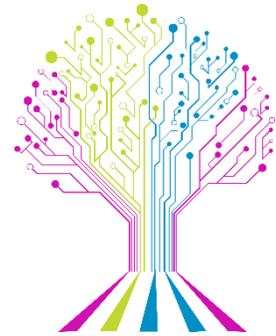


WIC Next Generation

Connect, Empower, Nourish

September 28 – 29, 2016

Sheraton Portland Airport Hotel



Are you ready? Use the checklist to make sure

- I have bookmarked the [2016 Statewide Meeting Webpage](https://public.health.oregon.gov/HealthyPeopleFamilies/wic/Pages/swm.aspx) to check for information I need, such as financial support for the meeting.
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- All WIC staff attending the conference are [registered](#). (Deadline is 8/19.)
- Staff have hotel reservations if needed at the Sheraton Portland Airport Hotel.
(Use this link [WIC Conference 2016](#) to make reservations.)
- My agency has completed a [Local Agency Showcase form](#) describing what we plan to share at the Statewide Meeting.
- Staff have reviewed the final agenda and are planning their time at the meeting.
See attached.
- Staff have reviewed our local agency policy on the use of social media in the work setting.
- Staff are considering what networking opportunities to participate in.
 - All attendees are invited to a no-host Social Hour from 5:15 – 6:15 p.m. Wednesday evening. This will be a nice way to meet state staff, staff from your region, and to meet and make new friends to go to dinner with that evening.
 - State staff will host tables at Wednesday lunch for a chance to get to know each other and have some fun.
 - Thursday lunch tables will have a topic focus (announced at the meeting) and everyone will be able to talk with others about a common interest.

- Breastfeeding and Breastfeeding Peer Counseling Coordinators will have an informal gathering from 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Wednesday morning during registration. Come by and say hello.
- Breastfeeding Peer Counselors will have a networking opportunity during the Wednesday 3:30 – 5 p.m. breakout sessions. Come by and chat with your colleagues about what’s working well and what you need help with.
- LAWN members will have a chance to network from 7:15 -8:15 a.m. Thursday morning.

I will contact the state WIC office for help:

- General questions – Kim McGee or your state nutrition consultant
- Registration - Julia Hakes
- Financial support or hotel reservations – Gwen Trieu
- Local agency showcase – Nhu To-Haynes