

Inborn Error of Protein Metabolism Food Grant

Eligibility

In order to be eligible a grantee must:

- Be an Australian resident living in Australia
- Have an inborn error of metabolism covered under the program
- Require and purchase special food only for the management of the inborn error of metabolism
- Remain diet compliant

Please note that the funds provided by the Department are to purchase food only. Items such as medications cannot be purchased with the IEM grant funds. If people do not comply with the above conditions and others (for example advising the Department of any change to bank details, address, diet compliance etc) you may be required to make a repayment to the Department.

Payments

If you think you have received an incorrect payment (more or less), please contact the Department as soon as possible.

Review

The Department will be moving to a process where all grantees will be required to undertake a review and reapply for the IEM grant. **No action by a grantee is required until the Department writes to them.**

When the grantee's reapplication is to occur the Department will contact the grantee with a letter and an application form to fill in and be countersigned by an approved metabolic specialist. Failure to do so within the allotted time (this will be advised in the letter) may result in IEM payments stopping.

Pre payment of the monthly grant

The monthly grant to all Inborn Error of Metabolism grantees is generally made by the Department at the end of each month. Payment is made in advance. For example, a payment made in the last few days of October 2008 is to be used for the purchase of appropriate food during November 2008.

Contact details for the Inborn Error of Metabolism Program

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NB: If you intend to write to the Department please ensure the full address listed above is on the envelope. This ensures that the letter goes to the right area of the Department.