## **POLICY:**

Each Nutrition Assistant and Nutrition Associate must have a preceptor who is appointed by the Local Agency Director.

## PROCEDURE:

## A. Role of the preceptor

- 1. A preceptor will:
  - a. Review and understand all content contained in the course modules
  - b. Share knowledge and experiences with the trainee
  - c. Be available for questions by the trainee
  - d. Coordinate and verify completion of each training module
  - e. Keep a file on the trainee's progress to include but not limited to: the appropriate certificate verifying that the trainee has successfully completed each designated WIC Learning Online module and any other additional training.
  - f. Observe the trainee using 9.01, Nutrition Monitoring Forms Internal and External Monitoring Clinic Observation Attachment #3, pages 6 and 8-10
  - g. Notify the Local Agency Director of the trainee's completion of the training program as to schedule an observation visit.
- 2. The following criteria must be met in order to become a Preceptor:
  - a. The preceptor must be a Nutritionist, who has the time available to spend with the trainee to coach and guide them through their learning endeavor.
  - b. A preceptor must be familiar with WIC regulations, as well as the state's policies and procedures, to successfully assist the trainee in their learning.
  - c. It is further recommended that the preceptor have extensive experience with the WIC program, in order to share their knowledge with the trainee.
  - d. A preceptor may have multiple trainees.