POLICY 430 - ATTACHMENT B – AHCCCS CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL NECESSITY FOR COMMERCIAL ORAL NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS (EARLY AND PERIODIC SCREENING, DIAGNOSTIC AND TREATMENT AGED MEMBERS-INITIAL OR ONGOING REQUESTS)

MEMBER INFORMATION

Member AHCCCS ID Number: _____

Contracted Health Plan: _____

Member Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Last First Initial

Member Address: _____

Assessment performed by: _____ AHCCCS Provider ID: _____

Provider Specialty: _____ Telephone Number: _____ Assessment Date: _____

TYPE OF REQUEST: ☐ Initial ☐ Ongoing **PREFERRED SUPPLEMENT TYPE**: _____

Substitution Permissible: ☐Yes ☐ No

TYPE OF NUTRITION FEEDING

☐ Weaning from Tube Feeding ☐ Oral Feeding –Sole Source ☐ Oral Feeding – Supplemental

☐ Emergency Supplemental Nutrition

ASSESSMENT FINDINGS*:* Indicate which of the following criteria have been met to support that oral supplemental nutritional feeding are medically necessary. (Supporting documentation dated no earlier than three months prior to the date of this request must be submitted with the Certificate of Medical Necessity to support each of the criteria selected below.)

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MEMBER MEETS THE CRITERIA IN THE LEFT COLUMN OR MEETS AT LEAST TWO CRITERIA IN THE RIGHT COLUMN	
☐ Member has been diagnosed with a chronic disease or condition, is below the recommended BMI percentile (or weight-for-length percentile for members less than two years of age) for the diagnosis per evidence-based guidance as issued by the American Academy of Pediatrics, and there are no alternatives for adequate nutrition.	**Use the space below, to indicate which *two* or more criteria have been met:** ☐ Member is at or below the 10th percentile for weight-for-length/BMI, on the appropriate growth chart for their age and gender, for three months or more (For members under age two, confirmation that the World Health Organization's (WHO) growth charts were used per CDC and AAP guidance). ☐ Member has reached a plateau in growth and/or nutritional status for more than six months, or more than three months if member is an infant less than one year of age. ☐ Member has already demonstrated a medically significant decline in weight within the three month period prior to the assessment. ☐ Member is able to consume/eat no more than 25% of nutritional requirements from age-appropriate food sources.
ADDITIONALLY, BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS MUST BE MET	
• The member has been evaluated and treated for medical conditions that may cause problems with growth (such as feeding problems, behavioral conditions, or psychosocial problems, endocrine or gastrointestinal problems, etc.), **AND**	
• The member has had a trial of higher caloric foods, blenderized foods, or commonly available products that may be used as dietary supplements for a period no less than 30 days in duration. ** As specified in policy.	

Initial and Ongoing Certificate of Medical Necessity is valid for a period of six months. Subsequent submissions must include a current physical assessment in the form of a clinical note or other supporting documentation that includes the members overall response to supplemental therapy and justification for continued supplement use. This must include the member's tolerance to formula, recent hospitalizations, current height/weight percentiles, and BMI percentile for members two years of age or older. Documentation demonstrating encouragement and assistance provided to the caregiver in weaning the member from supplemental nutritional feedings should be included, when appropriate.

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SUBMITTING PROVIDER SIGNATURE	*DATE*

_____	_____	_____
PRINTED NAME	*PROVIDER TYPE*	*CONTACT NUMBER*

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