

# Family Assessment Questions

Information on the **Family Assessment** screen applies to all family members. In all likelihood, support staff will complete this screen. While most of the questions give definitive choices for answers, the goal is to have a conversation with the family about their current situation, any questions they may have or any anticipated problems. It is okay to reword the questions on the screen in order to accomplish this. If necessary, use the yellow sticky note feature to expand on a client’s answer or to give more information in order to convey an accurate picture of the family assessment. According to NC WIC policy all questions must be answered. Here are some examples of questions that may need to be restated.

What it says in Crossroads	What you might say instead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does anyone smoke inside your house?               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Answers: yes or no</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The emphasis with this question is <i>inside</i>. If someone does smoke, but it’s outside, then you would check <b>no</b>.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has adequate household food storage and preparation?               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Answers: yes or no</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do you have working appliances in your home, such as a stove and refrigerator?</li> <li>• Have you ever had any trouble with your stove or refrigerator?</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has household food insecurity?               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Answers: yes or no</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the past month, have you ever had trouble getting food for your family or enough to eat?</li> <li>• Have there been days when you have not had enough money to feed your family or to get the food you need?</li> <li>• Tell me about any problems you have had with feeding your family or making sure your family has had enough food.</li> </ul>