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NYS WIC PROGRAM VENDOR BULLETIN

Title: Infant Formula Public Health Advisory – Recall of Similac, Alimentum, and Elecare

This is an important notice. Please have it translated.

Este aviso es importante. Haga que lo traduzcan.

Это важное сообщение. Пожалуйста, попросите перевести вам данную информацию

Đây là thông báo quan trọng. Xin vui lòng nhờ người chuyển ngữ tài liệu này cho quý vị.

Ovo je važna obavijest. Molimo da tražite da vam se prevede.

यह एक महत्वपूर्ण सूचना है। कृपया इसे अनुवाद करके रखें।

這是一項重要通告。請予以翻譯。

هذه ملاحظة هامة يرجى ترجمتها

זוהי הודעה חשובה. נא לתרגם אותה.

Dear WIC Vendors,

Due to the presence of *Cronobacter sakazakii* and *Salmonella*, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has issued a Public Health Advisory for certain Similac, Alimentum, or Elecare brand's powdered infant formulas. More information is available at: [FDA Investigation of Cronobacter and Salmonella Complaints: Powdered Infant Formula \(February 2022\) | FDA](#).

The FDA is advising consumers not to use Similac, Alimentum, or Elecare powdered infant formulas **if all 3 of the following** is included in the product's lot number:

- the first two digits of the code are 22 through 37; and
- the code on the container contains K8, SH or Z2; and
- the expiration date is 4-1-2022 (APR 2022) or later.



Abbott has developed a web-based tool to determine if the consumer's product was included in this recall. Vendors can use the lot number (#) to check the lot numbers of Abbott formula on store shelves. [Product Lookup \(similacrecall.com\)](http://similacrecall.com).

Vendors carrying any of the formula impacted by this recall should remove the product immediately from shelves. It should not be sold.

Formulas **not** affected by this recall:

- Isomil
- Neosure
- All concentrated liquids, and ready to feed

Vendors should treat WIC participants like any other customer.

If you have any questions, please contact your Vendor Management Agency.

Thank you,

NYS WIC Program

