

**\*\*Return to WIC Contract Formula – August 31, 2022\*\***

May 19, 2022

To Our Valued WIC Families,

The Abbott Similac recall has disrupted infant formula feeding for WIC families over the past 3 months. We know this has been a difficult time for families who use infant formula.

The Abbott company has increased production of their Similac Advance powder formula and it is making its way into the supply chain. Many stores are able to order and have **Similac Advance** in stock.

The formulas **Total Comfort** and **Similac for Spit Up** are only produced at Abbott's Sturgis, Michigan plant which has not resumed production as of the date of this letter and they are working to reopen as soon as possible. **Similac Sensitive** has had limited production in other plants but was mainly produced in Sturgis. **Isomil Soy** production has also been impacted.

The Abbott company will allow Vermont WIC to offer other companies' standard formulas that are substituted for **Similac Advance, Total Comfort, Spit Up, Sensitive, and Isomil Soy** through the end of **August 2022**.

After August 31, 2022, WIC families will return to the WIC Contract Formulas. As always, medical formulas can be provided to WIC participants with [medical documentation](#) if requested by health care provider.

Thank you for your understanding and patience with WIC as we work through the impacts of the Abbott formula recall and nationwide infant formula supply issues.

More information about the formula supply issues can be found on the Vermont Department of Health's website – [healthvermont.gov/formula-shortage](http://healthvermont.gov/formula-shortage)

If you have any questions, please reach out to your local WIC office [www.healthvermont.gov/local](http://www.healthvermont.gov/local) or email us at [wic@vermont.gov](mailto:wic@vermont.gov).

Thank you to all our WIC families.

Vermont WIC Program  
[www.healthvermont.gov/wic](http://www.healthvermont.gov/wic)

More information on the recall can be found in the [Abbott Recall Notice](#) and [FDA Investigation Announcement](#).

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This letter is important. If you do not understand it, take it to your [local office](#) for help.

**Arabic**

هذه رسالة مهمة. إذا كنت لا تفهم نصها فعليك أن تأخذها إلى المكتب المحلي التابع له لمساعدتك فيها.

**Burmese**

ဤစာရွက်စာတန်းသည် အရေးကြီးပါသည်။ သင်နားမလည်လျှင်၊ သင်၏နယ်မြေရုံးခန်းသို့အကူအညီရရန် ယူဆောင်သွားပါ။

**Chinese**

这封信函事关重大。如果您不能理解其中内容，请将其携带至您所在地办事处以寻求帮助。

**Dinka**

Athöřë athiëëkic. Na cii ye deetic,ke laarë tennë maktam thiaak ke yin bi yin la kuöny thiin.

**French**

Ce document est important. Si vous ne le comprenez pas, apportez-le à votre bureau local pour recevoir de l'aide.

**Nepali**

यो दस्तावेज महत्त्वपूर्ण छ । यदि तपाईंले यसलाई बुझ्नुभएन भने, मदतको लागि यसलाई आफ्नो स्थानीय कार्यालयमा लिएर जानुहोस् ।

**Russian**

Это важное письмо. Если вам оно непонятно, возьмите его и обратитесь за помощью в местное отделение.

**Serbo-Croatian**

Ovaj dopis je važan. Ukoliko je nerazumljiv za vas onda ga ponesite i obratite se lokalnoj kancelariji za pomoć.

**Somali**

Dokumentigan ama qoraalkan waa muhiim. Haddii aadan fahmin, waxaad u qaadaa xafiiskaaga degaanka si aad caawimaad u hesho.

**Spanish**

Esta carta es importante. Si no la entiende, llévela a su oficina local para solicitar ayuda.

**Swahili**

Barua hii ni muhimu. Kama huielewi, ichukue, uende nayo katika ofisi yako ya karibu kwa msaada zaidi.

**Vietnamese**

Laù thö naøy raát quan troïng. Neáu quyù vò khoâng hieáu noãi dung trong ñoù, haøy ñem thö naøy ñeán vaên phoøng taïi ñòa phoøng cuûa quyù vò ñeá ñöôïc giuùp ñôð.