URGENT: FORMULA RECALL ANNOUNCEMENT!

On February 17, 2022, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issued a Consumer Advisory regarding the investigation of four consumer complaints of infant illness related to products from Abbott Nutrition's Sturgis, MI facility received from 9/6/2021 to 12/18/2021. All cases are reported to have consumed powdered infant formula produced from Abbott Nutrition's Sturgis, MI facility. These complaints include three reports of Cronobacter sakazakii infections and one report of Salmonella Newport infection in infants. All four cases related to these complaints were hospitalized and Cronobacter may have contributed to a death in one case. FDA is issuing this advisory to alert consumers to avoid purchasing or using certain powdered infant formula produced in the Sturgis, MI facility. *

Clinicians with a suspected or confirmed infant *Cronobacter* case should direct the family or household to stop using their powdered infant formula product, but to retain the product(s) for evaluation for possible testing. Clinicians should include this information in reporting the case to public health. For more information, visit the CDC website at: https://www.cdc.gov/cronobacter/index.html

***The FDA is advising consumers not *to use Similac, Alimentum or EleCare* powdered infant formulas if:**

- 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.

Additional information on the recall and affected products can be found in the FDA Consumer Advisory and the Abbott Nutrition recall posting:

https://www.fda.gov/food/outbreaks-foodborne-illness/fda-investigation-cronobacter-and-salmonella-complaints-powdered-infant-formula-february-2022

https://abbott.mediaroom.com/2022-02-17-Abbott-Voluntarily-Recalls-Powder-Formulas-Manufactured-at-One-Plant