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PRODUCT RECALL INFORMATION NOTICE

Dear Healthcare Professional,

The Department is aware of a Food Standards Agency recall in relation to batches of Elecare Similac and Alimentum Similac infant formula powders. This product is classified as a food substance, however we are sharing for information and any necessary action as we are aware this product is commonly prescribed.

Abbott is recalling batches of Elecare Similac and Alimentum Similac infant formula powders because of the possible presence of salmonella. If individuals have purchased or been prescribed any of the above product batches for infant feeding, they should be advised not to feed it to their baby and to return to the place of purchase. If you have additional questions, please contact Abbott on 01795 580303.

The MHRA urges healthcare professionals to contact all patients who have been dispensed the impacted batches immediately.

Please see link to FSA recall: <https://www.food.gov.uk/news-alerts/alert/fsa-prin-11-2022>

The Business Services Organisation is asked to bring this information to the attention of Community Pharmacists and General Medical Practitioners directly.

Yours sincerely

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