

## Republic of the Philippines Department of Health FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION



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TO

THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND ALL HEALTHCARE

**PROFESSIONALS** 

SUBJECT

Public Health Warning Against the Purchase and

Use of Unregistered Medical Device "Family Care

Bandage

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) warns all concerned healthcare professionals and the public against the purchase and use of this unregistered medical device (see photos below):



Figure 1. Unregistered Family Care Bandage



The FDA verified through post-marketing surveillance that the abovementioned medical device are not registered and the Certificate of Product Registration (CPR) have not yet been issued. Pursuant to the Republic Act No. 9711, otherwise known as the "Food and Drug Administration Act of 2009", the manufacture, importation, exportation, sale, offering for sale, distribution, transfer, non-consumer use, promotion, advertising or sponsorship of health products without the proper authorization from FDA is prohibited.

Since this unregistered medical device has not gone through evaluation process of the FDA, the agency cannot assure its quality and safety.

In light of the foregoing, the public is advised not to purchase the violative product in the market.

All concerned establishments are warned not to distribute, advertise, or sell the said violative medical device until CPR is issued, otherwise, regulatory actions and sanctions shall be strictly pursued.

All FDA Regional Field Officers and Regulatory Enforcement Unit in coordination with law enforcement agencies and Local Government Unit are requested to ensure that this product is not sold or made available in the market or areas of jurisdiction.

The Bureau of Customs is urged to restrain the entry of this unregistered product.

Foe more information and inquiries, kindly contact the FDA Center for Device Regulation, Radiation Health and Research through e-mail at <a href="mailto:cdrrhr@fda.gov.ph">cdrrhr@fda.gov.ph</a>, or call (02) 857-1900 loc. 8301.

To report any sale or distribution of unregistered medical device, the online reporting facility, **eReport** can be accessed at **www.fda.gov.ph/ereport** 

Dissemination of this advisory to all concerned is hereby requested.

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