

Republic of the Philippines Department of Health FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION



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TO:

THE GENERAL PUBLIC

SUBJECT:

Public Health Warning Against the Purchase and Use of the following Unnotified Toys and Child Care Articles (TCCAs):

- 1. CHILD CARE WATER FILLED SILICONE TEETHER
- 2. CHILD CARE FEEDING BOTTLE
- 3. XIMIVOUGE FEEDING BOTTLE EXPLOSION-PROOF
- 4. CHICCO FRESH RELAX TEETHING RING

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) warns the public from purchasing and using the following Unnotified TCCAs:





Figure 1. Unnotified Child Care Water Filled Silicone Teether





Figure 2. Unnotified Child Care Feeding Bottle



Figure 3. Unnotified Ximivouge Feeding Bottle Explosion-Proof





Figure 4. Unnotified Chicco Fresh Relax Teething Ring

The FDA verified through post-marketing surveillance that the abovementioned TCCA products are not authorized and the Certificates of Product Notification (CPN) have not 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 is prohibited.

Since these unnotified TCCA products have not gone through evaluation process of the FDA, the agency cannot assure their quality and safety. The use of such violative products may pose health risks to consumers.

Potential hazards may come from ingredients that are resticted or not allowed to be part of a TCCA product such as Phthalate and Bisphenol A. The use of substandard and possibly adulterated TCCA products may result to health risks including but not limited to endocrine disruption and reproductive or developmental effects in relation to exposure to these compounds.

In light of the foregoing, the public is advised not to purchase the aforementioned violative products. Moreover, the public is advised to always check if a TCCA is notified with the FDA. The FDA website (www.fda.gov.ph) has a Search feature which may be used by typing in the name of the product before purchasing.

All concerned establishments are warned not to distribute violative TCCAs until they have been issued the appropriate authorization, a License to Operate (LTO) for the establishment, and a CPN for the TCCA products.

All FDA Regional Field Offices and Regulatory Enforcement Units, in coordination with law enforcement agencies and Local Government Units, are requested to ensure that violative products are not sold or made available in the market or areas of jurisdiction.

Kindly contact the FDA Center for Cosmetics Regulation and Research through e-mail at ccrr@fda.gov.ph, or call (02) 857-1900 loc. 8113 or 8107.

To report any sale or distribution of unnotified TCCAs, 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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