

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 Consumption of the following Unregistered Food Supplements:

- 1. KAL BLOOD SUGAR DEFENSE Dietary Supplement
- 2. <u>SUGAR DOWN Serpentina Extract + Turmeric Extract +</u> Gymnema Extract Food Supplement
- 3. NOW Quercetin with Bromelain Balance Immune System
 Dietary Capsule
- 4. AMERICAN HEALTH Chewable Acidophilus and Bifidum
 One Billion Organisms Natural Strawberry Flavor
 Digestive Health Dietary Supplement
- 5. NATURAL FACTORS The Ultimate Antioxidant Dr.

 Michael Murray Formulated Dietary Supplement with

 Alpha Lipoic Acid and Lutein

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) warns the public from purchasing and consuming the following unregistered food supplements:





*Figure 1. Unregistered KAL Blood Sugar Defense Dietary Supplement





Figure 2. Unregistered SUGAR DOWN Serpentina Extract + Turmeric Extract + Gymnema Extract Food Supplement

Figure 3. Unregistered NOW Quercetin with Bromelain Balance Immune System Dietary Capsule

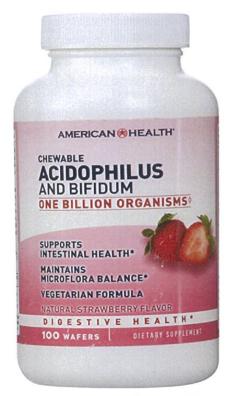


Figure 4. Unregistered AMERICAN HEALTH Chewable Bifidum One Billion Organisms – Natural Strawberry Flavor Digestive Health Dietary Supplement

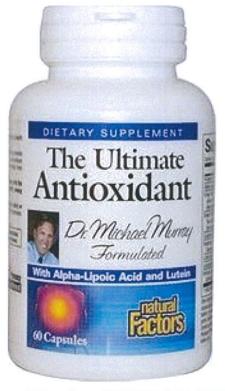


Figure 5. Unregistered NATURAL FACTORS
The Ultimate Antioxidant Dr. Michael Murray
Formulated Dietary Supplement with Alpha Lipoic
Acid and Lutein

The FDA verified through post-marketing surveillance that the above mentioned food supplements are not authorized and the Certificates of Product Registration 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 unregistered food supplements 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.

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 food product is registered 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 food supplements until they have been issued the appropriate authorization, a License to Operate (LTO) for the establishment, and a CPR for the food product.

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.

To report any sale or distribution of unregistered food product/food supplement, kindly email us through ereport@fda.gov.ph.

Dissemination of this advisory to all concerned is hereby requested.

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