

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



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FDA Advisory
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SUBJECT: Public Health Warning Against the Use of the following Unregistered Drug Products:

- 1. Thyroid USP (Westhroid TH-1/4) 16.25 mg Tablet,
- 2. Phospatidylcholine + Deoxycholic acid 10%/ 4.75% 50 mL vial,
- 3. Lidocaine (SM Cream) 9.6% 30 g Cream,
- 4. Ascorbic Acid (Vitamin C Inj) 500 mg/2 mL Solution for Injection (IM/ IV) manufactured by Arrow Pharma Group New Zealand,
- 5. Reduced L-Glutathione (Reiki) 600 mg Powder for Injection (IV/IM), and
- 6. Reduced L-Glutathione (Reiki) 1200 mg Powder for Injection (IV/IM)

The Food and Drug Administration advises the public against the use of the following unregistered products collected from Taytay, Rizal:



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The field Food and Drug Regulation Officers are ordered to confiscate the aforementioned unregistered drug products found in the market.

All local government units and law enforcement agencies are requested to ensure that these products are not sold or offered for sale in their localities or area of jurisdiction.

All drug establishments and outlets are hereby warned that importation, distribution, or sale of any unregistered drug product is subject to sanctions and penalties stipulated in Republic Act No. 3720, as amended by Republic Act No. 9711, otherwise known as the "Food and Drug Administration Act of 2009" and Republic Act No. 8203, otherwise known as "Special Law on Counterfeit Drugs".

All consumers are advised to purchase their medications only from FDA-licensed establishments. Please note that product evaluation and registration is a measure that the government undertakes to ensure the safety and efficacy of health products. Please look for the FDA Registration number on the product label.

For more information and inquiries, please email us at <a href="mailto:info@fda.gov.ph">info@fda.gov.ph</a>. To report continuous sale or distribution of unregistered health products kindly email us via <a href="mailto:report@fda.gov.ph">report@fda.gov.ph</a> or you may call the telephone number (02)807-8275. For any suspected adverse drug reaction (ADR), please email us via <a href="mailto:adr@fda.gov.ph">adr@fda.gov.ph</a>.

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