

Republic of the Philippines Department of Health FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION



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FDA ADVISORY No. 2023-0404

TO:

ALL HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS AND THE

GENERAL PUBLIC

SUBJECT:

Public Health Warning Against the Purchase and Use of the

Following Unnotified Medical Device Products:

1. "BAND DOCTOR 25MMX60MMX6, 38MMX60MMX2, 38MMX38MMX2 (IN FOREIGN CHARACTERS)"

2. "BAND DOCTOR 41MMX72MMX8 (IN FOREIGN CHARACTERS)"

3. "BAND CARE 19MMX72MMX12, 38MMX38MMX2, 10MMX40MMX6, 38MMX72MMX2 (IN FOREIGN CHARACTERS)"

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) warns all healthcare professionals and the general public **NOT TO PURCHASE AND USE** the following unnotified medical device product:







Figure 1. Unnotified Band Doctor 25mmX60mmX6, 38mmX60mmX2, 38mmX38mmX2 (in Foreign Characters)

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Figure 2. Unnotified Band Doctor 41mmX72mmX8 (in Foreign Characters)



Figure 3. Unnotified Band Care 19mmX72mmX12, 38mmX38mmX2, 10mmX40mmX6, 38mmX72mmX2 (in Foreign Characters)

The FDA verified through post-marketing surveillance that the abovementioned medical device products are not notified, and no corresponding Product Notification Certificate have 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 medical device products have not gone through evaluation process of the FDA, the agency cannot assure its quality and safety.

All concerned establishments are warned not to distribute, advertise, or sell the said violative medical device products until the Product Notification Certificate are issued, otherwise, regulatory actions and sanctions shall be strictly pursued. Always check if a product has been notified with the FDA before purchasing it by making use of the embedded Search feature of the FDA website accessible at www.fda.gov.ph. You may also look for the FDA Notification number on the product label in the form of CMDN-xxx.

All Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs) and Local Government Units (LGUs) are requested to ensure that these products are not sold or made available in the market or areas of jurisdiction.

The Bureau of Customs is urged to restrain the entry of these unnotified products.

For more information and inquiries about this advisory, kindly contact the FDA CDRRHR through e-mail at <u>cdrrhr@fda.gov.ph</u> indicating on the subject the concerned Advisory, or call (02) 8857-1900 loc. 8301.

To report any sale or distribution of unnotified medical device, contact the online reporting facility eReport through e-mail at ereport@fda.gov.ph.

Dissemination of this advisory to all concerned is hereby requested.

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