



NUMBERED MEMORANDUM 16-015

TO: Program Coordinators
Program/Site Nutritionists
Nutritionists

FROM: Marjorie Chambers
State WIC Director

DATE: March 16, 2016

SUBJECT: Abbott, Mead Johnson, Nutricia and Vitaflo Formula Changes and Addition to Formulary

This memorandum provides both pertinent changes to the Connecticut WIC Formulary (WIC Special Formulas) and additions for the following manufacturers: Abbott, Mead Johnson, Nutricia and Vitaflo.

Abbott

Label Changes – Beginning April 2016

<u>OLD Label Name</u>	<u>NEW Label Name *</u>
Similac Expert Care NeoSure (Powder, 1QT RTF)	Similac NeoSure (Powder, 1QT RTF)
Similac Expert Care Alimentum (Powder or 1 QT RTF)	Similac Alimentum (Powder or 1 QT RTF)

*The words “*Expert Care*” will be removed from the label of these products.

Size Change - Beginning as early as April 2016 going into July 2016

Similac Expert Care Alimentum OLD Size Powder 16 ounces can	Similac Alimentum NEW Size Powder 12.1 oz can*
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*The reconstituted ounces for the 12.1 oz can for Alimentum (powder) is 87 oz.

This product has been assigned a new UPC code and will have to be reset onto retailers’ shelves on the following dates provided by the company:

<u>Reset Date for Similac Alimentum Powder</u>	<u>Retailers</u>
Month of April	Meijer
Month of May	Ahold (Stop & Shop), Publix, Wegmans
May 2 nd to May 6 th	HEB, Super Value (Save a lot)
May 2 nd to May 16 th	Wakefern/ShopRite
May 16 th to May 20 th	Walmart
June 27 th through July 1 st	Kroger

If your agency is still in SWIS, the checks are adjusted to reflect these changes as follows: ‘Similac Alimentum # cans 12.1 oz powder OR Similac Expert Care Alimentum # cans 16 oz powder’. The local agency nutrition staff shall explain the name and size changes of the products on the checks to the participant.

When the time comes for this change into CT WIC, please anticipate how many participants will be affected by this change by printing the “Formula Usage” report (falls under the Reports tab, scroll to Certification and select CERT 17.21). It is also recommended to provide visuals of the new label and size of Similac Alimentum Powder (see attached). Please reference to the Retailer Schedule (above) to see if the participant needs to continue with the old size or to postpone providing the new size until the retailers are ready and the product is available. Also the local agency WIC Nutritionists shall contact the retailer to verify what availability of the product in order to choose the correct one available prior to benefit issuance.

Mead Johnson

The 32 ounces RTU products discontinued by the manufacturer do not affect CT WIC formulary since they are not approved sizes.

Nutricia

In February 2016, Nutricia announced metabolic formulas to be discontinued and replaced with new and improved formulas effective immediately.

<u>Formula no longer available</u>	<u>New and Improved Formulas</u>
Xleu Analog XMTVI Analog	IVA Anamix® Early Years MMA-PA Anamix® Early Years

The following formulas are to be discontinued and will be replaced by a new and improved formula. The estimated discontinuation schedule provided by the company is:

<u>Estimated Discontinuation Schedule</u>	<u>Formulas to be Discontinued</u>	<u>New and Improved Formulas</u>
Q1 2016	MSUD Analog	MSUD Anamix® Early Years
Q1 2016	XMet Analog	HCU Anamix® Early Years
Q1 2016	XLys, XTrp Analog	GA-1 Anamix® Early Years
Q1 2016	XPhe, XTyr Analog	TYR Anamix® Early Years
Q2 2016	Periflex® Infant	PKU Periflex® Early Years

Vitaflo

We are glad to announce that **RenaStart** has been added to CT WIC formulary. This formula was added to provide an exclusive product for the management of renal failure for children from one year of age, which is low in potassium and phosphorus, and contains DHA and AA.

Please contact Luz Hago (860) 509 -7662, Pamela Beaulieu (860) 509-7138 or Kevin Krusz (860) 509 – 8090 with questions or concerns.