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## HEALTH ALERT NETWORK HEALTH DISTRICT 4

### Information: Infant Formula Changes Affect WIC Eligibility

Central District Health Department Asks Medical Providers to be Aware of Changes

January 27, 2014

Abbott Nutrition has changed its **Similac Sensitive** and **Similac for Spit-Up** infant formulas to 19 calories per ounce. As a result, they no longer meet regulations as standard formula and as of **April 1, 2014** will no longer be WIC eligible. After April 1<sup>st</sup>, prescriptions will not be accepted for these non-eligible formulas.

WIC staff will be providing education to parents to help transition infants to the appropriate standard formula. CDHD asks that providers are aware of the change and that they talk with patients who participate in the WIC program and use these formulas about appropriate options.

For additional information call the CDHD WIC Office at 327-8545.

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