



Memorandum

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TO: WIC Local Agency Directors

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SUBJECT: Similar Sensitive RTU and Similar Spit-Up RTU Shortage

The state agency (SA) has been informed of a short term low inventory position involving two 32oz ready-to-use (RTU) formulas:

Similar Sensitive RTU (Code 560) and Similar for Spit-Up RTU (Code 562).

At this time there is no specific expected date for restock. In the meantime, alternate options are outlined in the table below if participants are unable to find the ready-to-use varieties.

- The closest alternative would be the powder form of each item.
- The closest RTU option would be Similar Advance in 32oz or 8oz-6pk.
 Consult with the health care provider (HCP) before changing the formula.

Item Description	Closest Alternative	RTU Options
		(Contact HCP)
560 Similac Sensitive	559 Similac Sensitive	365 Similac Advance
RTU 32oz	PWD 12oz	RTU 32oz or
562 Similac for Spit-Up	561 Similac for Spit-Up	605 Similac Advance
RTU 32oz	PWD 12	RTU (8oz-6pk) 48oz

These RTU formulas are typically issued when a participant's water supply is inadequate or unsanitary. In addition, if none of the options are appropriate

or medically acceptable or if you have questions, please email the Formula Team inbox at: FormulaTeam@hhsc.state.tx.us and provide details concerning your specific situation or contact Gabrielle Serna or Sandra Brown at: Gabrielle.Serna@hhsc.state.tx.us or Sandra.Brown2@hhsc.state.tx.us . You may also call Gabrielle Serna at (512) 341-4595 or Sandra Brown at (512) 341-4576.