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Vendor News Flash

Alternative Formula Brands Extended

To ensure Texas WIC participants continue to receive safe formula during the Similac formula recall, extension has been granted for the following alternative formulas:

- Similac Advance with a first use by date no later than **June 30th, 2022**.
- All other Similac contracted formulas (except Similac Advance) with a first use by date no later than **July 31st, 2022**. These formulas include:
 - Similac Sensitive, Similac Total Comfort, Similac for Spit Up, and Similac Soy Isomil
- Metabolic formulas and PM 60/40 will be handled directly with Abbott and the prescribing health care professional.

During this time there will be no sanctions for redeeming different brands or sizes of formula. Texas WIC continues to encourage grocers to use the maximum flexibility possible.

Texas WIC provided guidance regarding formula concerns in a February [Vendor News Flash](#).

Texas WIC continues to add additional Universal Product Codes (UPCs) to the Authorized Product List (APL) where possible to enable more formula options at the register for WIC clients. Please continue to download the APL every 48 hours, at a minimum, for any further additions.



Texas WIC appreciates the decisive leadership vendors have shown to ensure food is available to infants in Texas. For questions regarding this Vendor News Flash, please contact the Vendor Management Unit's Vendor Outreach Branch at WICVendorRelations@hhs.texas.gov or 1-800-252-9629. Find more WIC vendor resources on our [website](#).