

Urgent Health Advisory Potential Lead Contamination in Cinnamon Applesauce Pouches



Dear Community Member,

Your health and safety are our highest priority. We are reaching out to inform you about recalled cinnamon applesauce pouches that may be contaminated with lead. Lead is a naturally occurring metal that can cause negative health effects.

Recent investigations by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) have identified a potential link between lead exposure and specific brands of cinnamon applesauce pouches. Consumption of these products could pose health risks, particularly for children and pregnant individuals.

Affected Products: WanaBana, Schnucks, and Weis have initiated voluntary recalls of certain lots of the following products:



WanaBana brand apple cinnamon fruit purée pouches



Schnucks brand cinnamon-flavored applesauce pouches and variety packs



Weis brand cinnamon applesauce pouches

Potential Health Risks: Lead exposure can have detrimental effects on health, especially in children and developing fetuses. Even low levels of lead can cause serious health issues, including developmental delays, learning difficulties, and behavioral problems.

Action Steps: If you or your family members have consumed cinnamon applesauce pouches from the identified brands or batches identified in the FDA advisory, take the following steps immediately:

- 1. Stop Eating the Affected Product:** Immediately stop eating applesauce pouches from the affected batches or brands. Throw them away or return them to where you bought them.
- 2. Seek Medical Advice:** Contact your healthcare provider for guidance, especially if you or your children have eaten these products recently.
- 3. Blood Lead Testing:** A blood test for lead is strongly recommended for individuals who may have consumed the affected products.
- 4. Monitor Symptoms:** No safe level of lead in children's blood has been identified. Most children with lead in their blood have no obvious symptoms. If your child has consumed a recalled applesauce pouch product, consult with their healthcare provider about getting tested for lead exposure. Also, be watchful for any symptoms of lead exposure, such as abdominal pain, constipation, or irritability.

Further Information: For more detailed information on the affected products and ongoing updates regarding this issue, please refer to the official CDC and FDA advisories:

- CDC Advisory: [Lead Poisoning Outbreak Linked to Cinnamon Applesauce Pouches](#)
- FDA Advisory: [Investigation of Elevated Lead Levels in Cinnamon Applesauce Pouches](#)

Your health and well-being are of utmost importance to us.

Sincerely,
Clackamas County Public Health Division