

AmeriHealth Caritas District of Columbia (DC) is writing to let you know about a recent recall of certain apple sauce pouches due to possible contamination with lead. The affected products are:

- WanaBana apple cinnamon fruit puree pouches (all lot codes and expiration dates)
- Schnucks-brand cinnamon-flavored applesauce pouches and variety pack
- Weis-brand cinnamon applesauce pouches





What you need to do:

- Do not buy or feed your child any of the affected products.
- Throw away any recalled products that you may have in your home.
- Contact your child's Primary Care Provider if you think your child may have eaten any of the recalled products. They will advise you on next steps, which may include blood testing to check for lead levels.

Why this is important:





Lead is a toxic metal that can be harmful to children's health, even at low levels. Exposure to lead can cause some health problems, including:

- Developmental delays
- Learning problems
- Behavior problems
- Hearing loss
- Anemia

Additional information:

For more information about the recall, please visit the following websites:

- FDA: <u>https://nypost.com/2023/10/30/business/fda-warns-of-extremely-high-lead-levels-in-wanabana-fruit-pouches/</u>
- CDC: https://emergency.cdc.gov/han/2023/han00500.asp

We understand that this news may be concerning. We want to assure you that the Environmental Protection Agency and the Food and Drug Administration are working to identify the source of the contamination to ensure that safe products are available to all children.

If you need more information or help to schedule an appointment with your child's doctor, please contact the AmeriHealth Caritas DC Community Outreach Solutions team at 202–216–2318, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

We encourage you to share this information with other parents and caregivers in your community.

Sincerely, AmeriHealth Caritas District of Columbia

1205 Marion Barry Avenue SE, Suite 201, Washington, DC 20020





AmeriHealth Caritas District of Columbia complies with applicable federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

AmeriHealth Caritas District of Columbia:

- Provides free aids and services for people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:
 - Qualified sign language interpreters
 - Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free (no-cost) language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:
 - Qualified interpreters
 - Information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact AmeriHealth Caritas District of Columbia at **1-800-408-7511** (TTY/TDD **202-216-9885 or 1-800-570-1190**). We are available 24 hours a day.

If you believe that AmeriHealth Caritas District of Columbia has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance with Enrollee Services in the following ways:

- By phone at 202-408-4720 or toll free at 1-800-408-7511
- In writing by fax at 202-408-8682
- By mail at AmeriHealth Caritas District of Columbia, Enrollee Services Grievance Department, 200 Stevens Drive, Philadelphia, PA 19113

If you need help filing a grievance, AmeriHealth Caritas District of Columbia Enrollee Services is available to help you.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at **ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf**, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Avenue, SW Room 509F, HHH Building Washington, DC 20201

1-800-368-1019 (TTY/TDD 1-800-537-7697)

Complaint forms are available at www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html.

Multi-language interpreter services

English: If you do not speak and/or read English, please call 1-800-408-7511 (TTY 1-800-570-1190), available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. A representative will assist you.

Español: Si no habla y/o lee inglés, llame al 1-**800-408-7511** (**TTY 1-800-570-1190**), línea disponible las 24 horas del día, los siete días de la semana. Un representante le ayudará.

Tiếng Việt: Nếu quý vị không nói và/hoặc đọc Tiếng Anh, vui lòng gọi **1-800-408-7511 (TTY 1-800-570-1190)**, hoạt động 24 giờ một ngày, 7 ngày một tuần. Sẽ có người đại diện hỗ trợ quý vị.

한국어: 영어를 말하거나 읽지 못하는 경우 1-800-408-7511 (TTY 1-800-570-1190)로 전화해주십시오, 연중무휴 24시간 이용 가능합니다. 담당자가 도와드릴 것입니다.

Français : Si vous n'avez pas une bonne maîtrise de l'anglais parlé et/ou écrit, veuillez appeler le **1-800-408-7511** (TTY **1-800-570-1190**), disponible 24 heures sur 24, sept jours sur sept. Un représentant vous assistera.

العربية: إذا كنت لا تتحدث و/أو تقرأ اللغة الإنجليزية، يرجى الاتصال على 1-800-408-7511 (الهاتف النصي 1190-570-800-1)، وهو متاح على مدار ساعة وطوال أيام الأسبوع. سوف يساعدك ممثل.

中文普通话:如果您不会用英语讲话和/或阅读,请致电 1-800-408-7511 (TTY 1-800-570-1190),每周7天,每天 24小时开通。将会有一名代表协助您。

Русский: Если вы не говорите и/или не читаете по-английски, позвоните по телефону 1-800-408-7511 (ТТҮ-1-800-570-1190), который доступен 24 часа в сутки, семь дней в неделю. Представитель вам поможет.

မြန်မာ - အကယ်၍ သင် အင်္ဂလိပ်စကား ပြောဆိုခြင်း နှင့် /သို့မဟုတ် ဖတ်ရှနိုင်ခြင်း မရှိလျှင် ကျေးဖူးပြုပြီး တစ်ပတ် ခုနှစ်ရက်၊ တစ်ရက်လျှင် 24 နာရီ အချိန်ပြည့် ဆက်သွယ်နိုင်သည့် 1-800-408-7511 (TTY 1-800-570-1190) သို့ ခေါ်ဆိုပါ။ ကိုယ်စားလှယ်တစ်ဦးမှ သင့်အား ကူညီထောက်ပံ့ပေးသွားမည် ဖြစ်သည်။

中文廣東話:如果您唔識講,並且或者唔識睇英文,請致電 1-800-408-7511 (TTY 1-800-570-1190),每星期7日,每日 24 小時開通。客服專員將會協助您。

فارسی: اگر قادر به صحبت و یا خواندن به زبان انگلیسی نیستید، لطفا با شماره 1-800-408-1 (1190-570-1190) که 24 ساعت شبانه روز و هفت روز هفته در دسترس می باشد تماس بگیرید. یک نماینده به شماکمک خواهد کرد Polski: Jeśli nie mówisz i / lub nie czytasz po angielsku, zadzwoń pod numer 1-800-408-7511 (TTY 1-800-570-1190), dostępny 24 godziny na dobę, siedem dni w tygodniu. Przedstawiciel Państwu pomoże.

Português: Se você não fala e/ou lê Inglês, por favor ligue para 1-800-408-7511 (TTY 1-800-570-1190), disponível 24 horas por dia, sete dias por semana. Um intérprete irá ajudá-lo.

ਪੰਜਾਬੀ: ਜੇ ਤੁਸੀਂ ਹਿੰਦੀ ਬੋਲਦੇ ਅਤੇ / ਜਾਂ ਪੜ੍ਹਦੇ ਨਹੀਂ, ਕਿਰਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ 1-800-408-7511 (TTY 1-800-570-1190) 'ਤੇ ਕਾਲ ਕਰੋ, ਦਿਨ ਦੇ 24 ਘੰਟੇ, ਹਫ਼ਤੇ ਦੇ ਸੱਤ ਦਿਨ ਉਪਲਬਧ। ਇਕ ਪ੍ਰਤੀਨਿਧੀ ਤੁਹਾਡੀ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਕਰੇਗਾ।

Kreyòl Ayisyen: Si ou pa pale ak/oswa li anglè, tanpri rele 1-800-408-7511 (TTY 1-800-570-1190), disponib 24 èdtan pa jou, sèt jou pa semèn. Yon reprezantan pral ede ou.

हिन्दी: अगर आप हिन्दी बोलते और / या पढ़ते नहीं, कृपया 1-800-408-7511 (TTY 1-800-570-1190) पर कॉल करें, दिन के 24 घंटे, सप्ताह के सात दिन उपलब्ध। एक प्रतिनिधि आपकी सहायता करेगा।

Soomaali: Haddii aanad ku hadlin iyo/ama akhriyin Ingiriisiga, fadlan soo wac **1-800-408-7511 (TTY 1-800-570-1190)**, oo la heli karo 24 saacadood maalintii, todoba maalmood todobaadkii. Wakiilku wuu ku caawin karaa adiga.

Hmoob: Yog tias koj hais tsis tau thiab/los sis nyeem tsis tau ntawv As Kiv, thov hu rau tus xov tooj **1-800-408-7511** (TTY **1-800-570-1190**, qhib 24 teev rau ib hnub, xya hnub rau ib vij. Tus sawv cev yuav pab koj.

Italiano: Se non parla e/o non sa leggere l'inglese, la preghiamo di chiamare l'**1-800-408-7511 (TTY 1-800-570-1190)**, disponibile 24 ore su 24, sette giorni su sette. Le verrà prestata assistenza da un rappresentante.

Tagalog: Kung hindi ka nagsasalita at/o nagbabasa ng Ingles, pakitawagan ang **1-800-408-7511 (TTY 1-800-570-1190)**, na matatawagan nang 24 na oras sa isang araw, pitong araw sa isang linggo. Tutulungan ka ng isang representative.

日本語:英語での会話や読解が不安な場合は、24時間年中無 休対応の1-800-408-7511 (TTY 1-800-570-1190) までお電 話ください。担当者がサポートいたします。



www.amerihealthcaritasdc.com



This program is funded in part by the Government of the District of Columbia Department of Health Care Finance. ACDC-20961087-1

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA MURIEL BOWSER, MAYOR

