

## Abbott Formula Recall

The formulas impacted by this are:

**Similac Advance powder, Similac Total Comfort powder, Similac Sensitive powder, Similac Spit-Up powder, Alimentum powder, EleCare powder, and EleCare Jr. powder.**

### Formula Substitutions

(Non-Abbott Brands)

This table lists the comparable products that you can get with your Louisiana WIC Benefits through **September 30, 2022 for Similac Advance, Similac Sensitive, Spit-Up, Total Comfort, and Isomil** without having to return to clinic to have your EBT card adjusted. Check your baby's formula below to see what options are available for you:

Abbott Nutrition Brand Products If your baby normally takes:	Substitution Brands (Non-Abbott Products) Your baby can get instead:
<b>Similac Advance</b>	Enfamil Premium Infant (12.5 oz) Gerber Good Start Gentle Pro Infant (12.7 oz) Parent's Choice Advantage (12.4 oz) Parent's Choice (12.5 oz)
<b>Similac Sensitive</b>	Parent's Choice Sensitive (12 oz)
<b>Similac Spit-Up</b>	Enfamil AR (12.9 oz)
<b>Total Comfort</b>	Enfamil Gentlease (12.4 oz) Parent's Choice Gentle (12 oz) Enfamil Reguline (12.4 oz) Gerber Good Start Soothpro (12.4 oz)
<b>Isomil*</b>	Enfamil Prosoabee Simply Plant-Based Powder (12.9 oz)
<b>Special Formulas- Requires a Return to Clinic</b>	
<b>Alimentum</b> <b>EleCare</b> <b>EleCare Jr</b>	These are special formulas and are prescribed for a specific reason. Your doctor can help you choose a new formula to meet your baby's medical needs. You will need a new prescription and to contact your WIC office to update your benefits.

***\*Isomil is not part of the recall but a substitution is available due to low availability***

## Replacing Recalled Abbott Formula

Due to the 2022 Abbott voluntary formula recall, Louisiana WIC has received a federal waiver to issue non-Abbott (Similac) formula to prevent a formula shortage for Louisiana WIC families.

Refer to the **Formula Substitutions Table** (page 1) for information on comparable products that you can get with your Louisiana WIC Benefits through **September 2022** without having to return to clinic to have your EBT card adjusted.

## FAQ

### What does this mean for my formula fed infant?

You are currently able to receive **non-Abbott formula** with your Louisiana WIC benefits, **but after September 30, 2022**, you will be required to use Abbott (Similac products) again.

### What if my baby likes drinking the Non-Abbott product better?

**After September 30, 2022**, you will be required to use Abbott (Similac products) again due to Federal requirements.

### What if my baby's formula is Elecare or Alimentum?

Contact your health care provider to determine the best alternative for your baby. This is a highly specialized formula and is prescribed for a specific reason. Your doctor can help you choose a new formula to meet your baby's medical needs. You will need a new prescription and to contact your WIC office to update your benefits.

### What if my child's formula is Elecare Jr.?

Contact your health care provider to determine the best alternative for your baby. This is a highly specialized formula and is prescribed for a specific reason. Your doctor can help you choose a new formula to meet your baby's medical needs. You will need a new prescription and to contact your WIC office to update your benefits.

### What to do if you can't find a replacement brand (non-Abbott)?

Please call your local WIC clinic for an appointment if you have trouble finding any of the replacement brands in the grocery store (refer to table on pg. 1).

### Why do I need a WIC appointment?

Due to the differences in can sizes, other replacement formula options (non-Abbott brands) have to be loaded onto your LA WIC EBT card in the clinic.

Visit [LouisianaWIC.org/about/benefits](https://LouisianaWIC.org/about/benefits) for the latest information about the recall and WIC benefits.