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IMPORTANT NOTICE: Allergy Stock Update

Dear Healthcare Professional,

This is to provide an update on the supply status of some Nutricia Allergy products. We have some good news to share that **Aptamil Allerpro Syneo stages 1, 2 and 3 are all back in stock**. However, **there are some products that have been impacted by delayed shipment arrivals from overseas**. To assist us in managing our current stock levels for products with supply limitations, we are requesting the support of HCPs to prescribe alternative formulas where possible.

| Products | Status | Action Needed / Recommended Alternatives |
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| Aptamil Allerpro Syneo Stages 1 -3 | Back in stock; available for ordering via Nutriciastore; on-going replenishment in retail. These should be in Woolworths & Chemist Warehouse shelves within the next 2 weeks. | |
| Aptamil Pepti Junior | Out of stock until mid-April | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Flag / prioritise emergency stock requests for malabsorption patients only (highly critical cases) 2. Recommended alternatives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aptamil Allerpro Syneo for CMPA (not anaphylaxis) • Neocate Gold for other indications where an amino acid formula is required (for example, short bowel syndrome) |
| Neocate Syneo | Limited availability until mid-April | Recommended alternative: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neocate Gold |
| Neocate Junior Unflavoured | Out of stock until mid-April | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Flag / prioritise emergency stock requests for oral patients who are unable to tolerate Neocate Jr Vanilla only. 2. Recommended alternatives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neocate Jr Vanilla • For tube-fed patients: Concentrated Neocate Gold made up to 1kcal/ml; 1 level scoop (4.6g) added to 20ml of water yields a 1kcal/ml formula (20.6% w/v)* |

*The standard recommended concentration of Neocate Gold is 13.8%w/v. Any higher concentrations of Neocate Gold (i.e. above 13.8%w/v) should only be recommended by the managing HCP where there is a clinical need, and with ongoing monitoring

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Please refer to the appendix for more details on the alternatives for consideration. You may also refer your patients to our Careline for support on transitioning to a different formula.

For facilities who order under a tender: if the recommended alternative products above are not on tender, please consult your tender board regarding the possibility of ordering.

For any additional concerns or urgent queries regarding these products, GPs, Allergy and Paediatric Specialists can contact their Nutricia Representative or the Nutricia Careline team on any of the following:

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Kind regards,



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APPENDIX: Infant (0-12 months)

| Product | Aptamil Pepti Junior (450g) | Aptamil Allerpro Syneo Stage 1 or Stage 2 (900g)* | Neocate Gold (400g)* | Karicare Soy Milk Formula (900g) |
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| Indications for use | Cows' milk protein allergy (not anaphylaxis) Malabsorptive conditions including diarrhoea | Cows' milk protein allergy (not anaphylaxis) | Severe intestinal malabsorption including short bowel syndrome | |
| Description | An extensively hydrolysed formula (EHF) with medium chain triglycerides (MCT) | An extensively hydrolysed formula (EHF) with prebiotics and probiotics | A nutritionally complete, amino acid based, powdered infant formula for special dietary use with MCT | Based on soy proteins, and suitable for infants where an alternative to cow's milk formula is required |
| Nutritional profile | | | | |
| - Calories | 66kcal 277kJ | 69kcal 287kJ | 67kcal 279kJ | 67kcal 279kJ |
| - Protein | 1.8g | 1.7g | 1.9g | 1.7g |
| - Source | Extensively hydrolysed whey protein | Extensively hydrolysed whey protein | Free amino acids | Soy protein |
| - MCT | 45% | 14% | 33% | |
| - Clinically lactose free | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| - Osmolality | 210 mOsmol/ kgH ₂ O | 295 mOsmol/ kgH ₂ O | 340 mOsmol/ kgH ₂ O | 139 mOsmol/ kgH ₂ O |
| Access | | | Available on PBS (5467R) | Available over the counter at pharmacies and Woolworths |

*Please note: for infants and children with conditions where fat absorption or metabolism of LCT fat is impaired and a high ($\geq 33\%$) MCT intake is indicated, MCT Oil is available on PBS (3128P) and can be used as a nutritional supplement

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APPENDIX: Child >12 months

| Product | Neocate Junior Unflavoured (400g can) | Neocate Junior Vanilla (400g can) |
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| Indications for use | Cows' milk protein allergy, multiple food protein allergy, eosinophilic oesophagitis & other indications where an amino acid based formula is recommended. (For Children 1+ years) | Cows' milk protein allergy, multiple food protein allergy, eosinophilic oesophagitis & other indications where an amino acid based formula is recommended. (For Children 1+ years) |
| Description | Amino acid based up-age formula | Amino acid based up-age formula, contains prebiotics (scFOS/lcFOS) |
| Nutritional profile | | |
| - Calories | 100kcal 420kJ | 100kcal 419kJ |
| - Protein | 2.8g | 3.1g |
| - Source | Free amino acids | Free amino acids |
| - Fibre | 0g | 0.4g |
| - MCT | 35% | 35% |
| - Clinically lactosefree | Yes | Yes |
| - Osmolality | 600 mOsmol/ kg H ₂ O | 620 mOsmol/ kg H ₂ O |
| Access | Available on PBS (253025) | Available on PBS (2573008) |

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