



Yamhill County
Health and Human Services
Public Health

ALERT

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Health Care Providers**

To: Health Care Providers in Yamhill County

From: Yamhill County Public Health

Date: **03/23/2023**

Regarding: **Recall of Frozen Strawberries**

Phone number for follow-up: **(503) 434-7483**



State of Oregon
Health Alert Network

Scenic Fruit Company of Gresham, Oregon is recalling frozen "Organic Strawberries" sold to Costco, Aldi, KeHE, Vital Choice Seafood, PCC Community Markets and frozen "Organic Tropical Fruit Blend" sold to Trader Joe's due to an outbreak of Hepatitis A illnesses identified in Washington state. The five cases occurred between November 11 and December 27, 2022, and two required hospitalization.

The following products (see below) are subject to this recall. Although no hepatitis A virus has been found in the products themselves, consumers should stop consuming the product and return it to their local store for a refund. The company has ceased the production and distribution of the product as FDA and the company continue their investigation as to what caused the problem.

All inventories of the affected lot should be removed from sale. Consumers who have purchased the products are urged to destroy or return it to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company at customer.service@scenicfruit.com

Although Oregon doesn't appear to have any cases related to frozen strawberries at this time, LPHA staff investigating cases of acute hepatitis A are encouraged to inquire specifically about consumption of frozen berries and smoothies. Additionally, CDC would be interested in conducting genotyping and sequencing on serum specimens from these patients, so please inquire with the clinical lab as to whether the original IgM-positive specimen is available.

Please notify the ACDP on-call epidemiologist (971-673-1111) if you identify any cases of hepatitis A potentially related to frozen berry consumption.

Unless otherwise noted, feel free to share this HAN notification with:

- **Others within your organization.**
- **Professionals within your health, preparedness, and response affiliations.**

Oregon 24/7 disease reporting: 971-673-1111

Frozen Strawberry Products

Brand Name	Product Name	Net Wt.	UPC	Best By Date	Distributed in States
Simply Nature	Organic Strawberries	24 oz.	4099100256222	6/14/2024	Arizona, Arkansas, California, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, Wisconsin
Vital Choice	Organic Strawberries	16 oz.	834297005024	5/20/2024	Washington
Kirkland Signature	Organic Strawberries	4 lbs.	96619140404	10/8/2024	Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Utah, Washington
Made With	Organic Strawberries	10 oz.	814343021390	11/20/2024	Illinois, Maryland
PCC Community Markets	Organic Strawberries	32 oz.	22827109469	29/10/2024	Washington
Trader Joe's	Organic Tropical Fruit Blend Pineapple, Bananas, Strawberries & Mango	16 oz.	00511919	04/25/24, 05/12/24, 05/23/24, 05/30/24, 06/07/24	Nationwide