



# Bureau of Climate and Environmental Health

Public Health Advisory on Recall of WanaBana, Schnucks, Weis Brand Applesauce Fruit Puree

## Affected Products

WanaBana, Schnucks, and Weis have initiated voluntary recalls of specific lots of products that were available online and in Dollar Tree stores across Massachusetts. These products had a potential link to lead exposure in children.



## LEAD WARNING

Protecting children from exposure is essential to lifelong good health. Even low levels of lead in the blood can affect IQ, ability to pay attention, and academic achievement.

## Action Steps

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

#1

**Stop Eating the Affected Products**

#2

**Monitor Symptoms and Lead Levels**

#3

**Learn About and Look for Sources of Lead**

Please read the attached letter for more details on this issue and the appropriate action steps.

## IMPORTANT:

### Check Your Home!

The applesauce recall is important to be aware of, but:



**A child's home is still the LEADING SOURCE of LEAD EXPOSURE.**

Homes built before 1978 may contain lead-based paint hazards. If you live in your own home, **have it tested by a lead inspector**. If you rent your pre-1978 home, ask the owner if there is a Letter of Compliance. If there is no Letter of Compliance, ask the owner to have the home inspected or call your local Board of Health and ask for an inspection.

**MASS.GOV Finding and Removing Lead:**

<https://www.mass.gov/finding-and-removing-lead>

To learn more, visit [www.mass.gov/orgs/childhood-lead-poisoning-prevention-program](http://www.mass.gov/orgs/childhood-lead-poisoning-prevention-program) or call the **Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program** at 1-800-532-9571