



FOOD RECALLS AND ALLERGY ALERTS:

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) is a federal regulatory agency that issues alerts to warn the public of a food product that may be potentially unsafe to consume. These are known as Food Recall Alerts. These alerts are issued by the CFIA when there is reason to believe that a food product may be contaminated with bacteria, viruses, parasites, chemicals, or materials such as glass or metal fragments.

In addition to Food Recall Alerts, the CFIA also informs the public when food products may contain an ingredient that was not included on the label. These alerts are called Allergy Alerts. Common Allergy Alerts include undeclared wheat, milk, mustard and eggs, to name a few.

Being informed about Food Recall Alerts and Allergy Alerts is helpful, practical, and in some cases, it can be lifesaving!

The Haldimand-Norfolk Health Unit recommends that you sign up for the CFIA's free e-mail subscription to their Food Recall/Allergy Alerts information site to receive information about foods being recalled. Sign up information is provided in the link below:

http://www.inspection.gc.ca/english/util/listserv/listsube.shtml?foodrecalls_rappelsaliments

For more information, please contact a member of Haldimand-Norfolk Health Unit's Infectious Disease Team.



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