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Update #1:

Acute Hepatitis and Liver Failure Following the Use of a Dietary Supplement Intended for Weight Loss or Muscle Building Supplement—OxyELITEPro

NH Division of Public Health Services (NH DPHS) recommends:

1. Awareness of new illnesses and one reported death associated with OxyELITEPro.
2. Continued vigilance for patients presenting with acute hepatitis following the use of OxyELITEPro.
3. Prompt reporting of potential cases to NH DPHS at 603-271-4496 and to the U.S. Food and Drug Association (FDA) MedWatch program.

Background:

As of October 31, 2013, there have been 56 cases identified in 13 U.S. states of acute non-viral hepatitis with an unknown cause following use of a weight loss or muscle building dietary supplement. There are no identified cases in NH; most cases have been identified in Hawaii. Of the 56 cases, 47 (84%) used the dietary supplement OxyELITE Pro during the 60 days before illness. Twenty-two (39%) cases were hospitalized with acute hepatitis; two cases received liver transplants, and one person died. Among all cases, testing for viral hepatitis was negative, and other etiologies for liver injury were ruled out.

The FDA has advised consumers to discontinue using any dietary supplement products labeled as OxyELITE Pro while the investigation continues. Laboratory analysis of the product has not identified a causal agent to date. OxyELITE Pro products are distributed to various retailers and are on Internet marketing sites. This product has been distributed nationally. As CDC and NH DPHS learn more information, additional updates will be provided to clinicians.

An earlier Health Alert was distributed by CDC and NH DPHS on October 11, 2013, which contains additional clinical information and other details on this situation and is available at: <http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/alerts/documents/acutehepatitis.pdf>

- ▶ For more information and to report cases to the FDA's MedWatch program: go online at <https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/medwatch/> or report by phone at 1-888-INFO-FDA.
- ▶ For any questions regarding the contents of this message, please contact NH DHHS, DPHS, Bureau of Infectious Disease Control at 603-271-4496 (after hours 1-800-852-3345 ext.5300).
- ▶ To change your contact information in the NH Health Alert Network, contact Denise Krol at 603-271-4596 or email Denise.Krol@dhhs.state.nh.us

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