Public Notice:

Substandard Product Alert

This is to inform the general public that the Pharmacy Board of Sierra Leone as part of its legal mandate to ensure that only good quality, safe and efficacious medicines and other regulated products are available for use in Sierra Leone, has undertaken an exercise to test and verify the content of many alcohol based hand sanitizers and chlorine based disinfectants and antiseptics which are being distributed for use in Sierra Leone in order to prevent any potential transmission of the Ebola disease.

The Board hereby informs the general public that a number of alcohol based hand sanitizers have been tested and therefore informs the general public that the following have not met the required criteria for use in order to prevent any potential transmission of the Ebola disease. The Board is advising the general public not to use them for the purpose of preventing any potential transmission of the Ebola virus as these products have been proven to be substandard and failed to meet the required chemical ingredients for the purpose of preventing the potential spread of the Ebola disease.

Listed Below:

Product Name	Manufacturer	Manufacturing date	Expiry date
Top Choice Honey Peach Instant Hand Sanitizer with Moisturizers and Vitamin E & Aloe	Made in P. R. C	2014/05/19	2017/05/18
Top Choice Lemon Fragrance Instant Hand Sanitizer with Moisturizers and Vitamin E & Aloe	Made in P. R. C	2014/06/19	2019/06/28



The Board therefore directs that these products be withdrawn from circulation and forwarded to the Board for further regulatory action.

The cooperation of the general public is highly solicited

Signed

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