Cautionary Statement on Benylin Paediatric 100mls Cough Syrup, Batch No 329304 and 329303

The Botswana Medicines Regulatory Authority (BoMRA) wishes to alert its stakeholders and the public regarding a recent recall notice issued by The National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC) in Nigeria, for a specific batch of Benylin® Paediatric Syrup. This is a product manufactured by Johnson & Johnson (Pty) Ltd, South Africa. Stakeholders and the public are informed that this recall alert is specific and targeted to certain batches of specified manufacturing and expiry dates.

The table below summarizes details of this recalled product;

SN	Name of the product	Batch Number	Date of manufacture	Date of expiry
	Benylin Paediatric	329304	May 2021	April 2024
	100mls syrup			
	Benylin Paediatric	329303	May 2021	April 2024
	100mls syrup			

However, the recalled medicine is not registered, not exempted for use in country nor expected to be in the Botswana market. The batches in question, have further NOT been distributed within the Botswana market supply, although supplied to other African countries namely South Africa, Kenya, Eswatini, Rwanda, Tanzania, and Nigeria.

There are no records of this specific batch being present in the Botswana market. However, our post-marketing surveillance and enforcement teams have increased surveillance to detect and remove any such products if found.

The public is therefore strongly advised to:

- Refrain from purchasing or using Benylin paediatric syrup preparations of the above-mentioned specifications as they may pose potential health risks.
- Report any adverse drug reactions or complaints associated with the use of any medical products at reportadr@bomra.co.bw or qualitydefects@bomra.co.bw
- Always when in doubt about the quality of any product, don't use it, rather seek advice from a healthcare professional or report to BoMRA Post Marketing Surveillance team directly via:

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