

Food Recall Warning – Alpine Fresh brand Snap Peas due to *Cyclospora*

Attention: Long-Term Care Homes, Rest and Retirement Homes, Hospitals, Child Care Facilities

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This fax is to advise you that the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) has issued a food recall warning for Snap Peas due to the possibility of it containing *Cyclospora*.

The Snap Peas have been recalled by Costco Wholesale Canada. They have been sold under the brand name of “Alpine Fresh brand Snap Peas”. Please review the complete listing of the affected products and lot codes, and any addition updates on the CFIA website:

<http://www.inspection.gc.ca/about-the-cfia/newsroom/food-recall-warnings/complete-listing/2015-10-17/eng/1445121740221/1445121744219>

or

<http://www.inspection.gc.ca>

Information posted on the CFIA website suggests that these products have been sold from Costco locations across Ontario. A copy of this information should be directed to your dietary departments/culinary staff to ensure that the facility food supply has been checked, and any affected product is identified and removed from service and/or discarded.

The Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit is asking you to inform anyone who may have consumed the product to monitor themselves for signs and symptoms of cyclosporiasis and seek medical attention if symptoms are experienced.

Most people infected with cyclospora parasite develop the following symptoms usually within a week of being infected: watery diarrhea, stomach cramps, abdominal bloating and gas, nausea, tiredness, loss of appetite and weight loss. Young children, older adults and people with weakened immune systems are most at risk for a longer and more severe illness.

If you have this product please immediately remove the product from service or sale, and please contact the Public Health Inspector on our Health Connection line (705) 721- 7520 or toll free at 1(877) 721- 7520. For after business hours and weekends, please contact the Public Health Inspector at 1(888) 225-7851.