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ZAMBIA MEDICINES REGULATORY AUTHORITY

PUBLIC NOTICE

Date: 8th September 2025

To: Distributors, Wholesalers, Retailers, Healthcare Professionals, General Public

MEDICAL PRODUCT ALERT:

Counterfeit Postinor- 2 Tablets (Levonorgestrel 0.75mg) in Nigeria

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – The Zambia Medicines Regulatory Authority (ZAMRA) is a statutory body established under an Act of Parliament, the Medicines and Allied Substances Act No. 3 of 2013 of the Laws of Zambia. The main mandate of ZAMRA is to ensure the quality, safety and efficacy of medicines and allied substances for human and animal health protection.

Based on this background, ZAMRA wishes to notify healthcare professionals and members of the public that the National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC) of Nigeria has identified **FALSIFIED** batches of **Postinor-2 (Levonorgestrel 0.75mg)** on the Nigerian market. A falsified medical product is one that deliberately or fraudulently misrepresents its identity, composition or source.

Postinor-2 (Levonorgestrel 0.75mg) is a brand of **Emergency Contraceptive Pill (ECP)** containing the active ingredient **levonorgestrel**.

How to identify the falsified Postinor – Tablets

To identify this falsified product, check for the following:

- i. The font size of the text on the pin verification sticker appears smaller and has a wrong spelling of the word **Veify** instead of **Verify** on the fake;
- ii. The text font on the sticker of the original appears bigger and more visible.
- iii. There is a wrong spelling behind the pack of the word **Distnibuted** instead of **distributed** in Nigeria on the fake.

Product Details

The falsified Product details are as follows:

	Original Product	Falsified Product (Type 1)	Falsified Product (Type 2)
Product Name	Postinor 2	Postinor 2	Postinor 2
Batch No.	T32458H	T36184B	332
Mfg. Date	02/2023	08/2024	03/2023
Exp. Date	02/2027	08/2028	02/2027
NRN No.	04-6985	04-6985	04-6985

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Risk

The risks of administering falsified Postinor 2 (Levonorgestrel 0.75mg) include failure of contraceptive effect, toxic or harmful contaminants, unpredictable side effects, delayed or missed opportunity for genuine emergency contraception, and potential long-term reproductive health impact. Falsified medicines are unregulated, untested, and illegal, making their safety and efficacy impossible to guarantee.

Even though **Postinor-2 (Levonorgestrel 0.75mg)** is not registered for use in Zambia, ZAMRA wishes to caution healthcare professionals and the general public about this product due to the nature of its distribution i.e. through informal (illegal) markets, including online.

The Authority urges healthcare professionals, pharmaceutical outlets, parents and the general public to be vigilant for this product and only access medicines from authorised entities. ZAMRA has intensified countrywide surveillance for this product through public notification and inspection of pharmaceutical outlets and health facilities.

In the unlikely event that you are in possession of the above-mentioned product, please return it to your healthcare provider or supplier who should in turn notify ZAMRA.

If you suffer any adverse drug reaction/event having used this product, you are advised to seek immediate medical advice and report the incident to the National Pharmacovigilance Unit at Zambia Medicines Regulatory Authority by phone: +260 211 432 356/+260 //956 521 094 or email address at: npvu@zamra.co.zm or pharmacy@zamra.co.zm.

Should you need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact our Secretariat.



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