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This Ministry has recently organized and launched Special Action to Rectify Illegal Promotion of Efficacy of and Addition of Drugs to Disinfectant Products to enforce strict crackdown on counterfeit drug products labeled with the "Xiao" code. We are focusing our inspection on pharmacies. The health administration departments of five provinces, namely Gansu, Guangdong, Hunan, Jiangsu, and Sichuan, discovered in their supervision and inspection that 91 labels and written instructions among the pharmacy products labeled with the "Xiao" code do not conform to requirements stated in Regulations for Administration of Labels and Written Instructions of Disinfectant Products. Some products deceive and mislead consumers in the promotion of their efficacy (see enclosure for the list of nonconforming products). Concerning the issues discovered through random sampling, our Ministry has ordered the local health administration departments to take actions according to Notice of the Office of the Ministry of Health on Special Action to Rectify Illegal Promotion of Efficacy of and Addition of Drugs to Disinfectant Products (Weibanjiandufa [2009] No. 42). Business units such as pharmacies should immediately stop the sale of nonconforming products.

There is a strict distinction between disinfectant products and drugs. Disinfectant products are not drugs; they do not have curative effects. According to relevant laws and regulations, labels and written instructions of disinfectant products should not contain false and over-stated information, as well as information that indicates, expressly or implied, curative effects and results. Currently, some products in the market that are not disinfectants are labeled with the "Xiao" code without authorization. Their efficacy is being promoted as that of a disinfectant product. They are passed off as drugs to defraud and mislead consumers. Consumers should not readily believe in advertisements and should make careful selections.

The special action is currently being executed. This Ministry will continue to announce nonconforming products discovered during this remedial action.

Enclosed: List of nonconformity products

Enclosure

List of Nonconformity Products

S/N	Product name on label	Form	Specification	Manufacture date or lot no. on label	Expiry date or validity period/shelf life on label	Producer on label	Permit no. on label	Samples collected from
70	Kangxi [®] Tinea Pedis Powder	Powder	10 g x 10 bags /box	Manufacture date: 20080916	Valid until 201008	Harbin Tian Diren Medical Science and Technology Co., Ltd.	Heiweixia ozhengzi (2003) No. 0043	Danyang Wanjiafu Pharmacy Co., Ltd.
71	Kangxi [®] Coryza Spray	Spray	20 ml / box	Manufacture date: 20081104	Valid until 201010	Harbin Tian Diren Medical Science and Technology Co., Ltd.	Heiweixia ozhengzi (2003) No. 0043	Danyang Wanjiafu Pharmacy Co., Ltd.
72	Kangxi [®] Gynecopathy Cleaning Spray (For Men)	Spray	30 ml / box	Manufacture date: 20081117	Valid until 201010	Harbin Tian Diren Medical Science and Technology Co., Ltd.	Heiweixia ozhengzi (2003) No. 0043	Danyang Wanjiafu Pharmacy Co., Ltd.
73	Kangxi [®] Tinea Pedis Spray	Spray	50 ml / box	Manufacture date: 20080919	Valid until 201008	Harbin Tian Diren Medical Science and Technology Co., Ltd.	Heiweixia ozhengzi (2003) No. 0043	Danyang Wanjiafu Pharmacy Co., Ltd.
74	Kangxi [®] Yelaixiang Spray	Liquid	30 ml / box	Lot no.: 080501	Valid until 201004	Harbin Tian Diren Medical Science and Technology Co., Ltd.	Heiweixia ozhengzi (2003) No. 0043	Danyang Wanjiafu Pharmacy Co., Ltd.
75	Kangxi [®] Gynecopathy Cleaning Spray (Normal)	Spray	50 ml / box	Manufacture date: 20081202	Valid until 201011	Harbin Tian Diren Medical Science and Technology Co., Ltd.	Heiweixia ozhengzi (2003) No. 0043	Danyang Wanjiafu Pharmacy Co., Ltd.
76	Kangxi [®] Chufeng Tongluo Spray	Spray	30 ml / box	Lot no.: 070901	Valid until 200908	Harbin Tian Diren Medical Science and Technology Co., Ltd.	Heiweixia ozhengzi (2003) No. 0043	Danyang Wanjiafu Pharmacy Co., Ltd.
77	Kangxi [®] Yinke Cream	Cream	30 g / tube	Lot no.: 081201	Valid until 201011	Harbin Tian Diren Medical Science and Technology Co., Ltd.	Heiweixia ozhengzi (2003) No. 0043	Danyang Wanjiafu Pharmacy Co., Ltd.