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Sri Lanka Code for Promotion, Protection and Support of Breast feeding and Marketing of Designated Products

It has been brought to my attention several recent violations of the Sri Lanka Code for the Promotion, Protection and Support of Breast Feeding and Marketing of Designated Products by professional associations, by accepting sponsorships from manufacturers and distributors of designated products.

The Code is aimed at providing safe, adequate and optimal nutrition for infants and young children by protection, promotion and support of breast feeding and by ensuring proper use of all formula milk preparations used in infants.

The products covered by the code are called designated products and include:

- Infant formulae
- Soya milk
- Malted milk
- Condensed milk
- Feeding bottles, teats, pacifiers;
Under subsection 5.4 of Article V of the aforementioned Code, nationally recognized medical associations are permitted to accept contributions from manufacturers and distributors of designated products in accordance with the objectives of the Code, with the concurrence of the Monitoring Committee on the Sri Lanka Code for the Promotion, Protection and Support of Breast Feeding and Marketing of Designated Products. However designated products should not be promoted at such meeting, seminar, conference or education course.

The full version of the Code can be found at www.familyhealth.gov.lk.

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