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FRASER HEALTH WARNS RESIDENTS IN TRI-CITIES, ANMORE AND BELCARRA ABOUT CAMPHOR MOTHBALLS IN FOOD BANK HAMPERS

SURREY—Public Health officials received notice today that camphor mothballs were accidentally mixed into a candy mixture in over 1,100 food bank hampers from the Share Family and Community Services Food Bank in Port Moody, located at 2615 Clarke Street. The hampers, received by residents living in the Tri-Cities, Anmore and Belcarra, were distributed within the last two weeks.

Families that have received these hampers are asked to immediately discard the candy containers by placing the items in a bag before putting them in the garbage. Public Health officials urge individuals to keep this candy mixture away from children and pets. **DO NOT CONSUME.**

Fraser Health is working with the Share Family and Community Services Food Bank to identify and notify these individuals.

If you have eaten this candy mixture please contact Drug and Poison information Centre at: (604) 682 - 5050 or 1-800-567-8911.

Ingestion of camphor can cause the symptoms below. If you are experiencing any of these, please contact your health care provider, or go to the nearest Emergency Department:

- Irritation and burning of the mouth and throat
- Abdominal discomfort
- Vomiting
- Seizures
- Shortness of breath

Please be vigilant for these signs and symptoms in individuals who have received food hampers from this particular food bank. A photo of the camphor mothballs in question is below:



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