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Powdered infant formula

Powdered infant formula – a non-sterile product

Here at the Law Office of Nick Stein, we believe that parents have the right to full information about infant feeding products, including the risks associated with the use of powdered baby formula.

Many parents assume that powdered infant formulas are sterile and safe to use. This is a misconception. Powdered infant formulas are not sterile products and may be contaminated with *Enterobacter sakazakii*, a highly virulent, dangerous bacteria.

In infants, *Enterobacter sakazakii* infections are associated with serious, sometimes fatal conditions including meningitis, necrotizing enterocolitis (a chronic inflammatory disease of the intestines), and bacteremia (bacteria in the blood).

Premature babies at greatest risk

While the risk of infection is substantially higher for neonates (newborn infants less than 30 days old), low-birth-weight, premature, and immunocompromised babies, all infants are susceptible to infection. According to the International Baby

source of food for the first six months of life will consume 40-45 tins of formula. Again, up to 14% of these tins selected from supermarket and pharmacy shelves may be contaminated.

Talk with your doctor...and us, if you need to

While the risk of infection varies greatly from baby to baby, we encourage you to ask your obstetrician, pediatrician, or midwife about the pros and cons of feeding powdered infant formula.

If you would like further information about powdered infant formula contamination, or if you believe that your child may have been damaged by consuming contaminated formula, please contact the Law Office of Nick Stein at 1-800-948-6002.

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