UPDATES

Health notices · Thursday 5 November

3 notices from the agencies today, in plain words, each with the original linked.

FDA approval of COMETRIQ (cabozantinib) for medullary thyroid cancer

FDA · Approval

If you have progressive, metastatic medullary thyroid cancer (MTC), the US Food and Drug Administration has approved COMETRIQ (cabozantinib) as a treatment option.

COMETRIQ is a kinase inhibitor. A kinase inhibitor is a medicine that blocks certain signals in cancer cells that can help them grow.

What this changes for you: it may let your clinician prescribe COMETRIQ for your condition.

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FDA class II action for certain cavity-protection toothpaste

FDA · Recall

If you have ARU Toothpaste, Cavity Protection, Cool Mint (9 ingredients) with sodium fluoride 0.243%, you may be affected. The FDA listed a Class II action due to CGMP deviations (manufacturing quality requirements).

The notice applies to ARU Toothpaste distributed US nationwide. It was published on 2026-10-28. No specific next steps were provided in the notice details shown.

Read the original notice

CDC updated parenting tips for infants and toddlers

CDC · Guidance

If you're raising a child from birth to age 3, the CDC has updated its "Infants & Toddlers: Raising Healthy Children" parent page.

It's a collection of links covering topics like handwashing, developmental milestones, infant and toddler nutrition, hearing screening, safe diapering, and vaccines for children.

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Where this comes from

- FDA approval of COMETRIQ (cabozantinib) for medullary thyroid cancer

  US Food and Drug Administration - Drugs@FDA · https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/daf/index.cfm?event=overview.process&ApplNo=220121

- FDA class II action for certain cavity-protection toothpaste

  US Food and Drug Administration - enforcement report · https://www.fda.gov/drugs/drug-safety-and-availability/drug-recalls

- CDC updated parenting tips for infants and toddlers

  Centers for Disease Control and Prevention · https://tools.cdc.gov/api/v2/resources/purls/4X3PJ