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Statement by Commissioner of Health on Cough and Cold Medications

Dr. Joshua M. Sharfstein, Commissioner of Health stated:

"Today, manufacturers of cough and cold preparations have announced their intention to stop selling these products for children under age 4. This action is a big step in the right direction and will protect millions of toddlers from these unproven and potentially unsafe drugs. I am proud that Baltimore's pediatric community has led the effort on this issue, starting with a fall 2006 statement to local parents. As the cold season approaches, we still advise that parents not use cough and cold preparations for children under age 6."

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