



## News Release

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### ILLNESS PROMPTS PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICIALS TO WARN CONSUMERS TO DISCARD POTENTIALLY CONTAMINATED RAW MILK

Southwest District Health officials report associated cases of Cryptosporidiosis in two Canyon County residents who consumed raw goat milk from Treasured Sunrise Acres in Parma, Idaho, produced the week of August 24th, and sold in stores in Boise, Caldwell, Ketchum, and Star, Idaho. Treasured Sunrise Acres Dairy, Idaho State Department of Agriculture, and local and state public health officials are recommending that anyone who purchased any raw milk (goat or cow) during this time, should discard it immediately.

Cryptosporidiosis, or Crypto, is a microscopic parasite causing a diarrheal illness. Common symptoms include: diarrhea, stomach cramps or pain, dehydration (which is often most serious in the very young and the very old), nausea, vomiting, fever and weight loss. Symptoms usually begin 2 to 10 days after infection and normally last for one to two weeks. Once a person is infected, the parasites live in the intestines and are passed in the stool.

Those who have consumed the raw milk product and are experiencing symptoms are advised to consult their health care provider for testing, symptom management, and treatment, if necessary.

More information about Cryptosporidium (Crypto) is available at [http://www.cdc.gov/parasites/crypto/gen\\_info/infect.html](http://www.cdc.gov/parasites/crypto/gen_info/infect.html).

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