

EleCare
 Nutritionally Complete Amino Acid-Based
 Medical Food and Infant Formula With Iron

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VANILLA
 Amino Acid-Based Medical Food

- Nutritionally complete
- Suitable for milk-allergic infants and children who cannot tolerate soy or protein hydrolysate formulas
- Clinically shown to be hypoallergenic
- Supports growth when used as a primary source of nutrition
- Well tolerated



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From Ross Pediatrics

Providing quality formulas for every nutritional need

You can order EleCare from a pharmacist or directly from
 Ross Products Division by calling

1-800-FORMULA

(1-800-367-6852), weekdays 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Central Time

EleCare
 has been recommended
 for your child



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Here are answers to
 some of your questions

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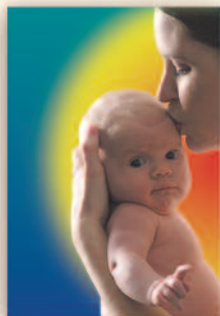
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Q. What is *EleCare*?

A. The full name of *EleCare* is *EleCare*® Amino Acid-Based Medical Food and Infant Formula With Iron. The same nutritional benefits that you get from unflavored *EleCare* are also available in *EleCare*® Vanilla Amino Acid-Based Medical Food. Both product names are quite a mouthful! But the words describe the kind of product *EleCare* is:



- *EleCare* is *nutritionally complete*. It contains all the nutrients your child needs for growth when fed in adequate amounts.
- *EleCare* is *amino acid-based*. Amino acids are substances that make up protein, needed for survival and growth. In *EleCare*, amino acids supply the protein.
- *EleCare* is a *medical food*. A medical food is used in the management of a condition with specific nutritional requirements. It must always be used under the supervision of a health care professional.

Q. Why has my doctor recommended *EleCare* for my child?

A. *EleCare* is specifically designed for children with one or more of the following conditions: 1) problems digesting and absorbing regular foods, 2) severe food allergies, 3) gastrointestinal (GI) tract problems, or 4) other conditions in which an elemental (amino acid-based) diet is needed.

EleCare Unflavored is appropriate for infants and children, while *EleCare* Vanilla is a tasty choice for children age 1 year and older!

Q. Who makes *EleCare*?

A. *EleCare* is manufactured by Ross Products Division, Abbott Laboratories, a trusted source of nutritional products for more than 75 years. You may already be familiar with other Ross brands, such as Similac®, Isomil®, Alimentum®, and PediaSure®.

Q. Why does *EleCare* cost more than standard infant formula?

A. Products like *EleCare* are more expensive than standard infant formulas because of the special processes and ingredients used in making them. The most expensive part of any formula is the protein source. The amino acids in *EleCare* are far more expensive than the protein source in most standard infant formulas.

Q. Will the cost of *EleCare* be paid by my insurance?

A. This depends on your specific insurance coverage and also on the state in which you live. Ask your doctor or insurance company for more information.

Q. What if I cannot afford to pay for *EleCare* and my insurance will not cover it?

A. Ross Pediatrics sponsors an *EleCare* Patient Assistance Program for financially disadvantaged individuals. Applications are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Financial eligibility is based on current federal poverty guidelines adjusted for household size. You can obtain an application by calling 1-800-222-6885 or visiting www.HelpingPatients.org, where the *EleCare* program is referenced under Abbott Laboratories.

Q. How long will my child need to be fed *EleCare*?

A. It's difficult to say. Until your infant or child can get enough protein, calories, vitamins, and minerals from regular foods to support normal growth and development, *EleCare* may continue to be an important part of the diet.

EleCare can be taken orally or through a feeding tube.

Q. My child has severe allergies. How can I be sure *EleCare* does not contain ingredients that she will react to?

A. *EleCare* is very carefully manufactured and then tested to ensure that it is free of major allergens and contains no intact protein. *EleCare* is *hypoallergenic*, which means it has been studied in food-allergic children and has met current recommendations for labeling a formula as “hypoallergenic.” There is very little chance it will cause an allergic reaction.

Q. Can I add flavorings to *EleCare*?

A. Feedings such as *EleCare* taste and smell different from formulas because of the amino acids they contain. Some children don't mind the taste or smell and don't want to have their food flavored.

If you do want to add flavor, ask your dietitian or doctor about ways to flavor *EleCare*. With their guidance, you can experiment with various flavors to see which will work best for your child.

Certainly, *EleCare* Vanilla is a tasty option for children age 1 year and older!

Q. Can I cook with *EleCare*?

A. No, you should not heat *EleCare*. Heating the product may damage some of the nutrients as well as affect the taste. *EleCare* can be warmed slightly, if preferred by the infant or child.

Q. How should I store *EleCare*? Does it need to be refrigerated after it is mixed?

A. **Storage:** Immediately store prepared individual feeding bottles in refrigerator at 35-40°F (2-4°C) and use within 24 hours. Store unopened cans at room temperature; avoid extreme temperatures. Cover opened can and store in a cool, dry area (not in refrigerator). Use opened can contents within 1 month.

