



URGENT MEDICAL DEVICE RECALL for PediCap™ End-Tidal CO2 Detectors

August 14, 2009

Dear Valued Customer,

We are informing you of an urgent voluntary medical device recall regarding the PediCap End-Tidal CO2 Detector (PediCap and PediCap 6).

We have received a customer report in which they experienced difficulty manually ventilating an intubated patient through the PediCap. While we continue to investigate, we believe that a recent modification to the PediCap End-Tidal CO2 Detector may result in increased resistance to airflow through the PediCap. This could result in ineffective ventilation of the patient and/or inadequate detection of CO2 levels, so that the indicator paper will not change color.

Although we have received no reports of patient injury, we have determined that all PediCap and PediCap 6 End-Tidal CO2 Detectors from the lots listed below must be returned. We are requesting your assistance in conducting this activity. Please review your inventory and segregate any product with the affected lot numbers and return affected product according to the directions below.

If you or your company has distributed PediCap or PediCap 6 End-Tidal CO2 Detectors to other persons or facilities, please promptly forward the recipients a copy of this letter and include the RGA provided at the top of this page as a reference.

The recall applies to the following 80 lot numbers.

8294199	8301112	8301113	8315189	8315190	8319262	8319263	8322181	8322182	8326251
8326252	8326253	8326254	8329072	8329073	8330001	8333183	8350018	8350019	8354221
8354224	8357021	8357022	8361153	9005011	9005012	9012058	9012059	9026042	9026043
9033128	9033129	9040067	9040068	9047127	9047128	9054110	9054111	9061066	9061067
9065209	9068061	9068062	9072281	9075059	9075060	9079160	9082376	9082377	9086312
9089126	9089127	9103038	9103039	9110481	9110482	9117039	9117040	9124134	9124135
9131188	9131189	9138084	9138085	9138226	9145088	9145089	9152238	9152239	9159128
9159129	9170191	9170192	9170197	9176471	9176477	9184145	9191233	9191234	9204128

To return the affected product for credit, please contact our Technical Services group at 1-800-635-5267, option 3, then option 1, and reference the Return Goods Authorization Number (RGA) noted at the top of this page. If product was purchased from a distributor, please contact your provider for their return process. Alternatively, you may complete the enclosed Verification Form and fax it to us at 925-463-4600 to initiate the return of your device(s).

Please report any issues with the PediCap End-Tidal CO2 Detectors to our Technical Services group to ensure proper device reporting procedures are followed. Please call 1-800-635-5267, option 3, then option 1, and you will be given further instructions.

This letter is being sent with the knowledge of the U.S. FDA.

Please be assured that we are working expeditiously to address this issue in future production and we are aware that this may create supply challenges for your facility. We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Covidien, formerly known as Tyco Healthcare



NELLCOR TECHNICAL SERVICES
PediCap® End-Tidal CO2 Detector
Verification Form

FAX: 925-463-4600

Date:	
To: Nellcor Technical Services	Page(s) – including this sheet:
From (Facility Name):	Address:
Phone number:	City:
	State:
	Country:

Quantity Case or Each	Part Number	Lot Number

Name: (Please print):

Signature & Date:

Please fax this form to Technical Services. Please mark the RGA number prominently on the outside of the box, and return affected product(s) to the following address:

Covidien
Attention: PediCap End-Tidal CO2 Detector Returns
RG# # _____
3901 Rock Creek Blvd.
Joliet, IL 60431

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