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**For Action:** Assistant Director Pharmacy and Medicines Management  
HSC Board & BSO  
Heads of Pharmacy and Medicines Management of HSC  
Trusts  
Regional Quality Improvement Authority

## **DRUG ALERT MEDICINES RECALL**

Dear Healthcare Professional

**BAYER PLC, CONSUMER CARE DIVISION**

**Canesten Pessary, Legal status 'P'  
(Clotrimazole 500mg)**

**PL 00010/0083**

<b>Batch Number</b>	<b>Expiry Date</b>	<b>Pack Size</b>	<b>First Distributed</b>
BXFWKG1	31 March 2016	1x1	16 May 2011
BXFTDV1	31 January 2016	1x1	14 June 2011

Bayer plc, Consumer Care Division is recalling the above batches because they have inadvertently been placed on the market containing the Patient Information Leaflet (PIL) intended for the 'POM' product. The PIL for the 'P' pack includes additional safety warnings and precautions which are not present in the 'POM' leaflet. 'P' products are available in a pharmacy without prescription, under the supervision of the pharmacist, hence the requirement for additional safety information on the PIL.

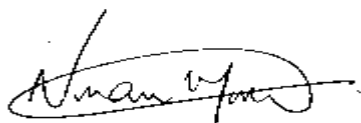
Pharmacists are asked to quarantine any remaining stock of these batches and return it to the wholesaler from which it was originally obtained.

For stock enquiries, please contact your wholesaler or original order point. For medical information enquiries please contact Bayer Medical Information on 01635 563232.

HSC Board/RQIA should bring this information to the attention of private hospitals/clinics registered with them and any other relevant care facilities.

The Business Services Organisation is asked to bring this information to the attention of Community Pharmacists and General Medical Practitioners directly.

Yours sincerely



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