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For Action: Directors of Pharmaceutical Services of the HSC Board & BSO
Directors of Pharmaceutical Services of HSC Trusts
Regional Quality Improvement Authority

Our reference: PHC/27/09

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DRUG ALERT MEDICINES RECALL

Dear Healthcare Professional

Chemidex Pharma Ltd

Dexamethasone 500 microgram Tablets in Essential Generics livery

PL 17736/0119

Batch Number	Expiry Date	Pack Size	First Distributed
9334	01/12	28	05/03/2009
9336	01/12	28	12/06/2009

Chemidex Pharma Ltd, the marketing authorisation holder, is recalling all remaining stock of the above batches which are in Essential Generics livery. The recall is due to concerns with analytical data from ongoing stability testing.

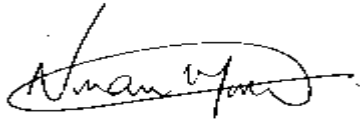
All unused stock of the above batches should be quarantined and returned for credit. For stock return enquiries please contact Movianto Customer Care on 01234 248632 or customercare.uk@movianto.com

For medical information enquiries please call Chemidex Pharma Ltd on 01784 477167.

HSC Board/RQIA should bring this information to the attention of private hospitals/clinics registered with them, Out of Hours Centres 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.

Yours sincerely



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