

# Medical Device/Equipment ALERT

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For:

IMMEDIATE ACTION	
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	Section
<p><b>Medical Device/Equipment:</b> Suction tubing: Cory Brothers Ltd model number: MPC CST/50/6, batch number: 0606120, box numbers 189 to 252 inclusive</p>	▶ ①
<p><b>Problem:</b> Splitting along the black line can occur because of a manufacturing error leading to a loss of suction. Therefore, specific boxes of suction tubing from the batch 0606120 have been recalled.</p>	▶ ②
<p><b>Action by:</b> All medical and nursing staff and theatre managers.</p>	▶ ③
<p><b>Action:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check for and isolate any of the affected batch with box numbers 189 to 252.</li> <li>• Contact your local supplier to arrange for return and replacement of any of the above product.</li> </ul>	▶ ④
<p><b>Distributed by NIAIC to:</b></p> <p>Chief Executive of each HSS Board Chief Executive of each HSS Trust Chief Executive of each Agency NIAIC Liaison Officers</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Hospices</p>	▶ ⑤
<p><b>Contacts</b> Details of manufacturer and NIAIC contacts for technical and clinical aspects.</p>	▶ ⑥
<p><b>Feedback Requirements to NIAIC</b> None required.</p>	▶ ⑦

This Alert is on our web site: <http://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/niaic>

## 1. DEVICE/EQUIPMENT:

This conductive suction tubing of 6 mm nominal diameter is supplied in boxes of 50 metres. It is used in many clinical areas including operating theatres, recovery and wards to aspirate blood, saliva or other body fluids.

The box number can be found at the bottom right hand corner of the Cory Bros label on the outer box.

## 2. PROBLEM:

Cory Brothers believe that the tubing is most likely to split when being placed on the suction device.

## 3. ACTION BY:

All medical and nursing staff and theatre managers.

## 4. ACTION:

- Check for and isolate any tubing of the affected batch with box numbers 189 to 252.
- Contact your local supplier to arrange for return and replacement of any of the above product.

## 5. ONWARD DISTRIBUTION TO:

Please bring this notice to the attention of all who need to know or be aware of it. This will include distribution to:

- Liaison Officers
- Risk Managers
- Health & Safety Officers/Advisors
- Clinical Governance Leads
- Device Managers
- Fire Officers
- Medical Directors
- Clinical Directors
- Nurse Directors
- Medical, Nursing and Care Staff
- Ambulance Staff and Paramedics
- Supplies Staff (RSS)
- Special Care Baby Units
- Maternity Wards
- Paediatric Units
- Independent Health and Social Care Providers – Private Clinics, Residential and Nursing Homes through RQIA
- Sterile Services Departments
- Operating Theatre Staff
- Accident & Emergency Departments
- Coronary Care
- Intensive Care
- Resuscitation Officers

## 6. CONTACTS:

Enquires to the Manufacturer should be addressed to:

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Hertfordshire  
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E-mail: [barbara@corybros.co.uk](mailto:barbara@corybros.co.uk)

Enquires to NIAIC should quote reference number MDEA(NI)2006/73 and be addressed to:

Northern Ireland Adverse Incident Centre (NIAIC)  
Health Estates  
Estate Policy Directorate  
Stoney Road  
Dundonald  
Belfast BT16 1US

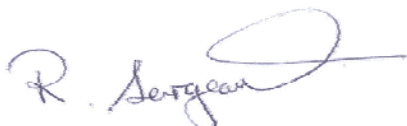
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## 7. FEEDBACK:

None required.



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### HOW TO REPORT ADVERSE INCIDENTS

Adverse Incidents relating to medical devices, non-medical equipment, plant and buildings should be reported to NIAIC as soon as possible. Advice on how to report is given in MDEA(NI)2006/01. If you are in doubt about how to report incidents, please speak to your liaison officer or contact NIAIC using the telephone number provided. Adverse Incident reporting forms and an on-line reporting facility are available on the NIAIC website at [www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/niaic](http://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/niaic)

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