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Best Wishes

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Regional Office V in Chicago recently announced the retirement of Walter Kummer. Mr. Kummer currently serves as the CMS Associate Regional Administrator. His retirement is effective June 30, 2012.

Mr. Kummer has been employed in the federal system for over 42 years. As Associate Regional Administrator, Mr. Kummer has provided extraordinary leadership. His thoughtful insights and consistent guidance has been instrumental in the shaping and support of healthcare quality improvement. The Indiana State Department of Health thanks Mr. Kummer for his support of Indiana healthcare and recognizes his many contributions to improving the healthcare system. We send him our best wishes.

MDS Training

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) is hosting "*MDS Training on Sections M, N, O, P, & Q*". Admission is free (food and/or beverage are not provided). Attendees should bring their 3.0 RAI Manual. Session open to all MDS coordinators, assistant coordinators, or the person responsible for the MDS in the facility.

Five sessions have been scheduled as follows:

Tuesday, July 17, 2012 - 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Eastern Time
Washington Carnegie Public Library
300 W. Main St.
Washington, IN 47501

Thursday, July 19, 2012 - 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time
Jackson County Public Library
303 W. Second St.
Seymour, IN 47274

Tuesday, July 24, 2012 - 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time
Warsaw Community Public Library
310 E. Main St.
Warsaw, IN 46580

Tuesday, July 31, 2012 - 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 pm Central Time
Rensselaer Public Library
208 W. Susan St.
Rensselaer, IN 47978

Tuesday, August 7, 2012 - 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time
Brownsburg Public Library
450 S. Jefferson St.
Brownsburg, IN 46112

To attend, contact:

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CMS Update

Safe Use of Single Dose/Single Use Medications to Prevent Healthcare Associated Infections

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) issued [Survey and Certification Letter 12-35-ALL](#) discussing the safe use of single dose / single use medications to prevent healthcare associated infections.

Medications in single dose vials typically lack antimicrobial preservatives. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), ongoing outbreaks provide evidence that medications from single dose vials can become contaminated and serve as a source of infection when they are used inappropriately. Administering drugs from one single dose vial to multiple patients without adhering to United States Pharmacopeia (USP) General Chapter 797 standards is not acceptable under CMS infection control regulations.

Healthcare facilities that do not adhere to USP 797 standards but reuse single dose vials for multiple patients must be cited for deficiencies under the applicable infection control standards for each type of provider/supplier. On the other hand, healthcare facilities that utilize appropriately stored medications, derived from repackaged single dose vials and prepared in accordance with USP 797 must not be cited solely on the basis of this practice.

Recall Information

June 21, 2012

Nidek Medical Products Mark 5 Nuvo, Nuvo 8, and Nuvo Lite Oxygen Concentrators: Class I Recall - Risk of Fire, Loss of Supplemental Oxygen

ISSUE: Capacitor failure may result in a fire hazard and loss of supplemental oxygen. These products may cause serious adverse health consequences, including death. Affected products include serial numbers from 042-10000 through 102-09335. These oxygen concentrators were manufactured from January 1, 2004 to May 15, 2010.

BACKGROUND: Oxygen concentrators are used to supply supplemental oxygen to patients within a home setting.

RECOMMENDATION: The firm sent its distributors a Field Correction notice May 1, 2012, asking

distributors to contact customers and/or patients who brought these products. Consumers should notify your equipment provider if you have an affected product in your home or place of business. According to the firm, patients may continue to use the device while waiting for a replacement for the corrected component.

Sigma Spectrum Infusion Pump Model 35700: Class 1 Recall: Risk of Over-Infusion

UPDATED June 15 2012

Expanded Class I Recall-Serial numbers range from 700000 through 794213. All pumps serviced by SIGMA after September 21, 2010, or remediated as part of the initial recall notification, and all pumps manufactured after November 1, 2010, are not affected by this expanded recall. SIGMA expanded their recall to include additional affected units manufactured from January 18, 2005 through November 1, 2010, with the exception as noted above. These units may fail suddenly causing inaccurate flow conditions during use, ranging from back flow to over-infusion, including free flow. The pump does not issue an alarm when this occurs. These conditions could result in serious injury or death.

November 14, 2010

ISSUE: FDA notified healthcare professionals of the class 1 recall of the SIGMA Spectrum Infusion Pump Model 35700. These units may fail suddenly, causing inaccurate flow conditions during use, ranging from back flow to over-infusion, including free flow. The pump does not issue an alarm when this occurs. These conditions could result in serious injury or death.

BACKGROUND: The recalled pump is intended for the delivery of fluids, solutions, drugs, agents, nutritional, electrolytes, blood and blood products via parenteral, enteral, intravenous, intra-arterial, subcutaneous, epidural, or irrigation routes of administration. The recall was initiated September 15, 2010 and includes serial numbers from 706497 to 724065.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Sigma has instructed healthcare facilities to verify whether the serial numbers for their infusion pumps fall within the range of pumps being recalled and is requiring the return of the recalled devices. Sigma has instructed users to not use the infusion pumps on patient populations, including neonatal patients, where inaccurate flow, ranging from back flow to over-infusion, including free flow, could result in serious adverse health consequences or death.

Staff Update

The following is a survey staff update for May 2012 for the ISDH Division of Long Term Care:

New Long Term Care Surveyors: The ISDH welcomes the following new surveyors and staff:

Debora Kammeyer - Public Health Nurse Surveyor 3 - LTC Survey Area 2 - effective May 29, 2012

Promotions:

Christine Wardwell - Promoted to Administrative Assistant 6 - Long Term Care - promoted effective May 27, 2012

Kimberly Perigo - Promoted to Public Health Nurse Surveyor Supervisor 5 for Survey Area 6 - promoted effective May 27, 2012. Kim was previously Public Health Surveyor 3 in Survey Area 2. Kim has been a surveyor with the ISDH since August 1999.

Departures: The following staff are no longer employed with the ISDH. We thank them for their service to the state and wish them well in their new opportunities.

Linda Campbell - Public Health Nurse Surveyor 3 - LTC Survey Area 4 - hired November 1999 - retired May 11, 2012

Vicki Manuwal - Public Health Nurse Surveyor 3 - Survey Area 1 - hired September 2010 - resigned May

18, 2012



That is all for today. Have a good week.

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