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NATIONAL FIRE EQUIPMENT SYSTEM CACHE MEMORANDUM NO. 11-2

To: NFES: National Interagency Support Caches

From: Ralph Gonzales, Acting Chair, Equipment Technology Committee (ETC) –
NWCG



Subject: Recall, Anti Septic Pads and Swabs



The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has issued notice of a voluntary product recall for Honeywell Safety Products (H&P) Triad Povidone Iodine Prep Pads (attachment #1). This recall is an extension of an earlier H&P recall for their Triad brand alcohol prep pads, alcohol swabs, and alcohol swab sticks. These recalls were initiated due to FDA concerns about potential microbial contamination of these items. An urgent recall notice was issued by Honeywell Safety Products on March 30, 2011 (attachment #2) for H&P's (Triad) Povidone Iodine Prep Pads.

Povidone Iodine Pads manufactured by H&P Industries Inc (distributed by Triad Group) were marketed under a number of brand names as shown below:



- Cardinal Health
- Medical Specialties
- VHA
- Triad
- Triad Plus
- North Safety
- Total Resources



No recall has been issued to date for Benzakonium Chloride towlettes/wipes (BZK) manufactured by Honeywell Safety Products, however, H&P Industries was cited by the contamination on the BZK wipes and it is recommended that they also be replaced.

New first aid kits provided by GSA do not include any Triad brand iodine prep pads or BZK wipes, but some first aid kits within the cache system have been refurbished with Triad Iodine prep pads and BZK wipes and are affected by this recall. Alcohol prep pads, alcohol swabs, and alcohol swab sticks are not contents in any new or refurbished NFES first aid kits.

The recalled Triad iodine prep pads may be found in the following kits:

NFES 001760 – 100 Person First Aid Kit
 NFES 001835 – 500 Person First Aid Kit
 NFES 001143 – 10-25 Person First Aid Kit
 NFES 001604 – Type 3, 24 Person Kit
 NFES 000067 – Type 1 Pocket First Aid Kit

Benzalkonium Chloride towlettes are a component of the kits listed below. If present, Triad brand BZK wipes should be replaced with an alternative brand.

NFES 000640 - Body Fluids Barrier (BFB) kits
 NFES 001604 - Type 3, 24 Person Kit
 NFES 001143 - 10-25 Person First Aid Kit
 NFES 000067 - Type 1 Pocket First Aid Kit

Recommended Action:

Remove immediately all affected product and replace with Povidone Iodine pads and swabs from other manufacturers. Replacement sources are listed below.

Povidone Iodine swabs: Carefusion
 3750 Torrey View Court
 San Diego, CA 92130
 Phone: (858) 617-2000
 Toll-free: (888) 876-4287
 Fax: (858) 617-2900
 Website: www.carefusion.com

Povidone Iodine swabs and pads: Dynarex Corp
 10 Glenshaw Street
 Orangeburg, NY 10962
 Phone: (845) 365-8200
 (888) 335-7500
 Fax: (845) 365-8201
 Email: sales@dynarex.com
 website: www.dynarex.com

Benzalkonium Chloride Wipes

PDI
Two Nice-Pak Park
Orangeburg, NY 10954
Phone: (845) 365-1700
Email: info@pdipdi.com
website: www.pdipdi.com

Please contact Dennis Davis, MTDC at (406) 329-3929 if you have questions or comments regarding the information in this memorandum.



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2 Attachments

- 1 FDA Voluntary Nationwide Recall (3 pgs)
- 2 Honeywell Urgent Product Recall (3 pgs)

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