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ACTION REQUIRED

Resume Routine Fresenius Kabi Pooled Platelet Bag Inspections

Customer Letter # 2019-07

2019-05-06

Dear Colleagues:

This is a follow up to customer letter Fresenius Kabi Platelet Bags 2019-03, dated 2019-04-06.

Replacement lot numbers of Fresenius Kabi bags have been received and fully implemented at Canadian Blood Services for the manufacture of pooled platelet components.

Thus, effective immediately, detailed visual inspection of pooled platelet components for evidence of leakage is no longer required. Hospital customers may resume routine pooled platelet bag inspections as defined by their standard operating procedures.

We recognize the inconvenience caused by this manufacturer-issued medical device recall and sincerely thank you for your cooperation and patience.

Please share a copy of this customer letter with healthcare professionals at your hospital and anyone who may require this information.

This customer letter can also be viewed at www.blood.ca in the “Hospitals Services” section. If you have questions about this letter, or if you require it in an accessible format, please contact your local hospital liaison specialist.

Sincerely,

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