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Re: Advisory 11-04: Important Recall Notice

Effective immediately, providers should not use the lubrication jelly manufactured by Triad Group, as it has been inadequately sterilized and may lead to infection. Contact your supplier to determine the process for returning contaminated products. The FDA Recall can be viewed here.

Triad Group manufactures the lubricating jelly included in King Systems products (King LTD, King LTSD) and nearly all of their products have been affected. To see a list of affected King Products, click here. Importantly, there is no concern with the King device itself, just the lubrication packet included with it.

Given that there are no reasonable alternatives to the King Airway device, it is suggested that an additional packet of lubricating jelly, not affected by the recall, be taped to the outside of the King Airway package for provider use. As supplies of King Airway devices are restored by the manufacturer, the agencies can rotate out affected lots.

Please understand that despite the FDA recall posted on December 23, 2010, this is the first we have heard of the recall from King Systems and their distributor. With any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Regional Program Agency.