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From: Heidi Chapman on behalf of Amy Tucker
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Subject: CMO Blast: Halyard N95 Mask Communication

Importance: High

Sent on behalf of Paul Suits, Director, Infection Prevention...

The FDA has issued communication to stop using Halyard N95 surgical masks when fluid barrier protection against splashes, sprays or splatter that may occur in surgical setting where exposure to liquid, bodily, or other hazardous fluids may occur.

<https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fda.gov%2Fmedical-devices%2Fsafety-communications%2Frisk-protection-failure-certain-om-halyard-surgical-n95-respirators-surgical-masks-and-pediatric&data=05%7C01%7CSuitsP%40upstate.edu%7C14c61caba29e442aced008db3f444f36%7C5cf50a665e2641dd89f883cf73ffee98%7C0%7C0%7C638173334871720873%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWlloiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IjEhaWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=0HBegs444WK6DK9GFuMPOB%2F3JGS6uXA9uKZfTROuMLA%3D&reserved=0>

Halyard has not issued a voluntary recall so we are asking all Operating rooms, surgical suites and procedural areas that use the Halyard N95 to cover mask with a face shield or a fluid repellent surgical mask.

THE HALYARD N95 IS ACCEPTABLE TO USE ALONE WHEN BLOOD OR BODILY FLUID IS NOT EXPECTED DURING THE ENCOUNTER.

Best,
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