

To: All CPAP/ BIPAP Users

On June 14th, Philips Respironics initiated a voluntary recall notification for specific Philips Respironics models of CPAP/ BIPAP and mechanical ventilator devices to ensure patient safety.

The recall is to address potential health risks related to specific foam inserts used in certain devices. Philips has identified the following potential health risks of using a recalled device: airway inflammation, skin, eye and respiratory tract irritation, headache, asthma, toxic carcinogenic effects, cough, chest pressure and sinus infection.

The recall involves most DreamStation Respironics devices including CPAP, BIPAP, ASV, and Trilogy.

To access the recall notice and all devices affected, please follow the link below:

philips.com/src-update

If you own any Respironics devices affected by the recall, you need to:

1. Go to the following link and register your device using your device serial number located on the back of your machine: <https://www.philipssrcupdate.expertinquiry.com>
2. You can contact Philips at the following number: 877- 907-7508.
3. Philips has stated that ozone-related products should not be used to clean PAP equipment, so if you use any ozone related cleaning device, you should stop using it right away and follow the cleaning methods described in their device's "Instructions for Use."
4. Contact our office right away and speak to one of our Sleep Physicians to discuss treatment options.

If you have a ResMed device, the recall notice does not affect you, although consider stop using any ozone related cleaning devices and follow the standard methods for cleaning equipment.

The outline for cleaning CPAP equipment and supplies is as follows:

1. Empty the humidifier every day after use. Use only distilled water in chamber when actively using your CPAP machine.
2. Wash the humidifier in warm water and mild detergent. Clear Dawn soap works great. (Palmolive, Dove, and Ivory are good too). Never use antibacterial soap or cleaning chemicals on your equipment.
3. Rinse the humidifier thoroughly and allow to dry.
4. Wipe the exterior of the device (CPAP machine) with a dry cloth. Never use cleaning chemicals on your CPAP machine.
5. Masks should be cleaned daily. Clean by soaking in warm water and a mild detergent just like with the humidifier or with mask cleaning wipes. In the event of a sinus infection or cold, daily

mask cleaning with a mixture of 3 parts water and 1 part vinegar and soaking for 30 minutes, then rinsed in water for 2-3 minutes to remove all residue is recommended.

6. Masks should be dried thoroughly before use.
7. Head gear and tubing should be cleaned weekly in warm water and mild detergent as well. Dawn clear soap is recommended. Make sure that soap is rinsed from head gear and tubing and that the water rinsed through them runs clear. Hang head gear and tubing to dry. You can hang them over the shower rod, if convenient.
- 8. Never use antibacterial soap or cleaning chemicals on your CPAP equipment.**
9. Replace your cushions, head gear, masks, tubing, and filters regularly through your home care provider.