

BD Announces Voluntary Worldwide Recall for One Lot of ChloraPrep™ Clear 1 mL Applicators Due to Fungal Contamination

FRANKLIN LAKES, N.J. (Feb. 15, 2025) – BD (Becton, Dickinson and Company) today announced the voluntary recall of one lot of ChloraPrep™ Clear 1 mL Applicators due to fungal contamination under certain environmental conditions allowing the growth of *Aspergillus penicillioides*.

The *Aspergillus penicillioides* within the packaging can contaminate the surface of the applicator and/or gloved hands of the health care professional and then consequently the sterile field. Since the applicator is used for site preparation prior to an invasive procedure, a contaminated applicator can result in direct inoculation of the fungus into tissues. This lot was distributed globally beginning in September 2023. To date, there have been no reported customer complaints or adverse events associated with this issue.

Risk Statement: Contamination of skin preparation products with *Aspergillus penicillioides* may lead to serious systemic infection, sepsis, illness, and death. If the fungus is introduced in the patient's bloodstream during placement of an intravascular catheter, the catheter would most likely have to be removed, necessitating another procedure. *Aspergillus penicillioides* infection of a surgical site may result in the need for medical and surgical interventions and long-term treatment with antifungal drugs.

The product is used for the preparation of the patient's skin prior to surgery, helps to reduce bacteria that potentially can cause skin infection, and is packaged in a pouch (1 applicator per pouch, 60 applicators per inner carton).

Affected Product NDC	Product Name	Catalog (REF) Number	Lot Number	Expiry Date	Product Package Size
54365-400-31	BD ChloraPrep™ Clear - 1 mL Applicator	930480	3200240	6/30/2026	60 Applicators per Inner Carton 4 Inner Cartons per Case

The affected lot (3200240) can be identified by locating the above referenced catalog and lot number on the lidding of the product package and the side of the individual shelf box and shipper box. Please immediately discontinue use of the affected lot. Check all inventory locations within your facility and destroy all affected units in accordance with your facility's process. If destruction is not immediately possible at your facility, then product should be quarantined until disposal.

This recall should be carried out to the Distributor, Hospital and User levels. BD is instructing distributors to identify all customers within their distribution network who may have purchased any of the affected product listed.

Customer inquiries related to this recall, as well as adverse reaction/events experienced with the product, should be addressed to BD's Complaint Center: 1-844-823-5433 (Toll Free) Monday – Friday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. ET or by emailing: productcomplaints@bd.com.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has been notified of this recall.

FDA MedWatch Reporting

Adverse reactions/events experienced with the use of any of these products should also be reported to the FDA's MedWatch Adverse Event Reporting program either online, phone or by regular mail.

- Complete and submit the report **Online**: www.fda.gov/medwatch/report.htm
- **Call** 1-800-FDA-1088 (1-800-332-1088)
- **Regular Mail**: Download form www.fda.gov/MedWatch/getforms.htm or call 1-800-332-1088 to request a reporting form, then complete and return to the address on the pre-addressed form or submit by fax to 1-800-FDA-0178.

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