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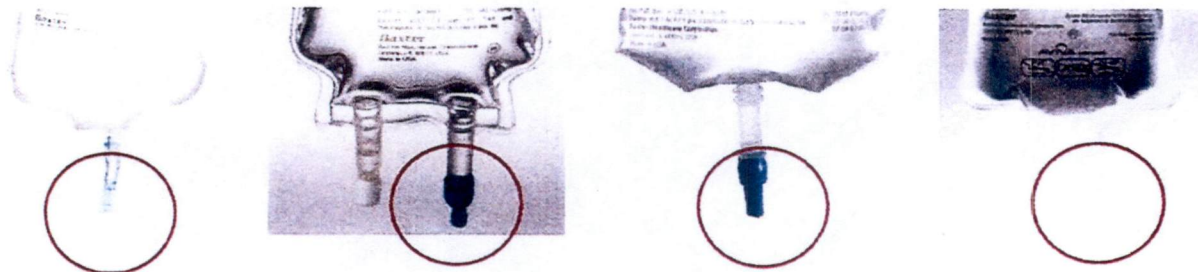
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Safety Alert

Dear Valued Customer:

This Safety Alert is being issued to provide additional instructions which in some cases may not be provided on some of the Baxter's flexible solution containers. On the labeling of these products, in question, it may not include: **Do not use a flexible solution container if the administration port protector is not in place prior to use.** This alert pertains only to containers that have either a blue or neutral color administration port protector.

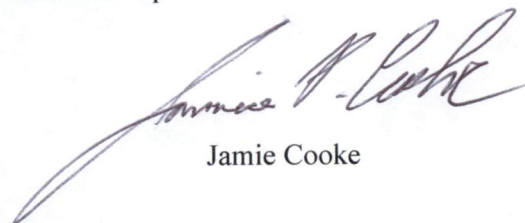
The administration port protector serves as a sterility barrier, and is intended to be removed when the set spike is ready to be inserted into the solution port. If a port protector is not in place prior to use, sterility of the administration port may be compromised, potentially placing patients at risk of blood stream infection due to microbial contamination introduced to the fluid path.



Baxter is requesting that you take the following actions:

- Do not use flexible solution containers if the administration port protector is not in place.
- Please forward a copy of this Safety Alert letter to other facilities or departments within your institution to ensure that those locations are aware of this action.

We apologize for any inconvenience and appreciate your prompt attention to this alert. If you have any questions about this alert, please contact David Wernek, Quality Assurance Specialist at 1-800-642-2244 Ext: 1110.



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