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## URGENT FIELD SAFETY NOTICE Safety Notice Quinton Beta Cap Adapter

## Dear Healthcare Provider:

This safety alert is being issued to notify Covidien customers of a reduction in thread engagement between the Quinton Beta Cap Adapter (Code: 8814-661001) and the Baxter Transfer Sets (Codes: 5C4325, 5C4482, 5C4483, R5C4484, and 5C4449). The reduction in thread engagement may lead to an increased risk of separation resulting in the potential of peritonitis. It is our understanding that Baxter does not recommend the use of these two products together. If the Quinton BETA-CAP Adapter must be used with the Baxter transfer set, it is recommended that the clinician exercise extra caution to ensure that the connection is secured and tight. For customers using the Baxter transfer sets, it is recommended that connections be made with the Titanium Adapter (Baxter product code 5C4129) which has compatible thread geometry to maintain a secure connection with the Baxter transfer sets.

Please be assured that Covidien's independent testing has confirmed the Quinton BETA-CAP Adapter fully meets all internal and external standards and specifications. As a result, this Field Safety Notice is directed only to customers who may be using the Quinton BETA-CAP Adapter with the Baxter transfer sets.

Please forward this letter to all colleagues within your organisation who need to be aware of it or to any organisation/persons where the potentially affected devices have been transferred. Please maintain awareness of this notice for an appropriate period

If you experience any issues with the Quinton BETA-CAP Adapter please do not hesitate to contact [National contact details to be inserted here].

Sincerely,

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