

# Safety Notice

## Medical Devices

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### **Alaris™/Asena™ GS, GH, CC, TIVA, PK, Syringe Pumps Manufactured before September 2008**

#### **Priority 2 – Warning**

**HPRA Safety Notice: SN2017(37)**

**Issue Date: 9<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

<b>MANUFACTURER / SUPPLIER</b>	<b>HPRA CASE REFERENCE</b>
BD/CareFusion, Switzerland	V33494

#### **ISSUE**

BD/Carefusion has identified a risk whereby an internal malfunction can result in the syringe pump stopping and alerting the user to an internal failure. Customers are advised to immediately remove from clinical use pumps displaying any internal malfunction error code, such as the PL3 error message, and send them for servicing by qualified service personnel. A Field Safety Notice (FSN) has been issued advising customers of the appropriate actions to take. Please refer to the accompanying FSN for further details.

#### **ACTION OR RECOMMENDATIONS**

The HPRA advises that users:

1. Refer to the accompanying FSN and follow the instructions provided by the manufacturer.

2. Forward a copy of this Safety Notice and the accompanying FSN to all those that need to be aware within your organisation and to any organisation/person to which/whom these devices have been transferred.
3. Acknowledge receipt of the FSN if you have not already done so.
4. Report any adverse incidents associated with these devices to the manufacturer and the HPRA.

## TARGET GROUPS

All wards  
 Clinical Directors  
 Clinical Engineers  
 Fertility clinics  
 Healthcare professionals who use these devices  
 Hospices  
 Hospital Managers / CEOs  
 Hospital Pharmacists  
 Nursing Homes

Nursing Managers  
 Nursing Staff  
 Oncology Nurse Specialists  
 Paediatric wards  
 Palliative Care Staff  
 Private Hospitals  
 Purchasing Managers  
 Risk Managers  
 Supplies Managers

## BACKGROUND

BD Carefusion has identified that pumps manufactured prior to September 2008 could exhibit an internal malfunction such as a PL3 error code. Internal malfunction error codes are identified by the pump stopping, issuing an error message along with a red illuminated beacon, and a high pitched constant alarm tone that cannot be silenced. A list of impacted Stock Keeping Units (SKUs) can be found in the FSN. Please refer to the accompanying FSN for further details.

The HPRA is issuing this safety notice to raise awareness of this issue.

## MANUFACTURER / AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE/ DISTRIBUTOR CONTACT INFORMATION

Enquiries to the **distributor** should be addressed to:

Aquilant Services  
 Aquilant House  
 21 Fonthill Business Park  
 Clondalkin  
 Dublin 22

Telephone: +353-1-4048330  
 E-mail: [Damien.Deehan@aquilantservices.com](mailto:Damien.Deehan@aquilantservices.com)

Enquiries to the **manufacturer** should be addressed to:

CareFusion Switzerland 317 Sàrl  
 A-One Business Centre  
 Z.A. Vers-la-Piece No 10  
 Rolle, CH-1180  
 Switzerland

Telephone: +41-21-5563041  
 E-mail: [Ralph.HILBERATH@bd.com](mailto:Ralph.HILBERATH@bd.com)

## HPRA CONTACT INFORMATION

All **adverse incidents** relating to a medical device should be reported to:

Health Products Regulatory Authority  
Kevin O'Malley House  
Earlsfort Centre  
Earlsfort Terrace  
Dublin 2

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