

Baxter – Recall of sodium chloride injection

- On October 23, 2017, <u>Baxter announced</u> a consumer-level recall of one lot of <u>sodium chloride</u> 0.9% injection because of reports of individual bags being adhered together. Tears occurred when the bags were pulled apart, which may lead to a leak and compromise sterility of the product.
- The recalled lot was distributed between 4/12/2017 and 8/18/2017.

Product Description	NDC	Lot number (expiration date)
0.9% sodium chloride injection, USP, 100 mL VIAFLEX plastic container quad pack	0338-0049-18	P359984 (8/31/2018)

- Sodium chloride injection is indicated as a source of water and electrolytes. It is also indicated for use as a priming solution in hemodialysis procedures.
- A leak of a sodium chloride injection solution bag may allow for delay or interruption of therapy, under-delivery, unintended drug exposure, and microbial contamination. If not detected, the use of a solution bag with a leak could lead to a bloodstream infection or other serious adverse health consequences.
 - To date, there have been no reports of adverse events associated with this issue.
- Sodium chloride injection bags that are found to be stuck together should be discarded as they may tear and leak upon separation. Sodium chloride injection bags should be checked for minute leaks by squeezing the inner bag firmly. If leaks are found, the solution should be discarded as sterility may be impaired.
- Anyone with an existing inventory of the recalled products should stop use and distribution and quarantine the product immediately.
- For recall assistance, contact Baxter Healthcare Center for Service at 1-888-229-0001.
- For general questions regarding this recall, contact Baxter Corporate Product Surveillance at 1-800-437-5176.



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