

MANITOBA HEALTH PATIENT SAFETY ALERT

Date	March 29, 2012
Sent To	RHA Chief Executive Officers RHA HPSEN Members RHA Planning Network Members
Subject	Recall Alert – Portex Intubation Stylet

Issue

Portex Intubation Stylet Lot #309P211 is known to break. A critical incident was recently reported involving a piece of the stylet breaking off during intubation and remaining in a patient's lung.

Recommendations

- 1. Regional Health Authorities are to ensure facilities remove Portex intubation stylet Lot #309P211 from all direct care areas as well as from top up stock immediately.
- 2. The product can be replaced with a Portex intubation stylet from a different lot.
- 3. All stock bearing the Lot # 309P211 is to be labelled accordingly and returned to the facility's regional distribution centre.