

SAFETY ADVISORY

Dear Life Pulse Users,

We have received reports from several of our hospital customers about water overflowing the humidifier cartridge by gravity feed and about problems associated with the testing and start-up sequence of the *Life Pulse*, Model 203. After an investigation of these reports and a thorough review of the findings, we determined that additional Warnings were needed in the product's labeling.

This advisory should be posted where all clinicians who work with the *Life Pulse* can read it. We have provided a second copy of the Warnings on a separate sheet. This sheet should be duplicated and copies inserted into the Life Pulse manuals. Our manuals are being revised to include these Warnings.

WARNING: The water inlet tube of the humidifier cartridge/circuit must be latched into the pump housing to prevent cartridge overflow and delivery of water to the patient by gravity feed.

WARNING: The water supply should be positioned at or below the level of the humidifier cartridge to decrease the potential of overflowing the cartridge by gravity feed.

WARNING: All patient connections to the Life Pulse circuit must only be made while the Life Pulse is in the **STANDBY** mode. Failure to comply may result in a high volume of gas being delivered at pressure to the patient, which may result in severe patient injury.

Thank you for your prompt attention in this matter. Please make sure all clinicians who work with the *Life Pulse* are made aware of these new Warnings. If you have any questions regarding this Safety Advisory, please call Bunnell Customer Service at 1-800-800-4358.

Sincerely,



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