

From the Chief Medical Officer
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URGENT COMMUNICATION

HSS(MD)5-2005

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Directors of Public Health in HSS Boards – for
cascade to General Practitioners
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Date: 28 January 2005

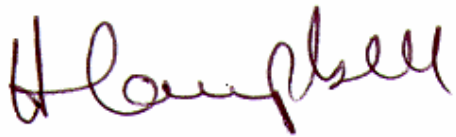
Dear Colleague

DRUG ALERT/MEDICINES RECALL – BENDROFLUAZIDE 2.5MG TABLETS

Please see attached Drug Alert/Medicines Recall issued on 27 January 2005 by MHRA.

Dr Norman Morrow, Chief Pharmacist, DHSSPS has circulated Directors of Pharmaceutical Services of the HSS Boards, HSS Trusts and the CSA, requesting that this information be brought to the attention of Community Pharmacists and Dispensing Doctors immediately.

Yours sincerely



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DRUG ALERT

CLASS 1 MEDICINES RECALL

Action Now - including out of hours
PATIENT LEVEL RECALL

Date: 27 January 2005

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Our Ref: MDR 28-01/05

Dear Healthcare Professional,

Crescent Pharmaceuticals Ltd.

Bendrofluazide 2.5 mg Tablets

PL 20416/0027

(bendroflumethiazide)

Batch Number	Expiry Date	Pack Size	First Distributed
404340	April 2006	Blisters of 28 tablets	July 2004

Crescent Pharmaceuticals is recalling all Crescent livery packs of Bendrofluazide 2.5 mg Tablets with the above batch number. These cartons contain Warfarin 3 mg Tablets in blister packs of 28 tablets.

Recipients are asked to quarantine any stocks of Bendrofluazide 2.5 mg Tablets bearing the above batch number and return them to their supplier for replacement or credit. Attempts should be made to recover tablets from patients.

For further information contact Crescent Pharmaceuticals Customer Care on Tel 07799 666 373.

Primary Care Trusts are asked to bring this information to the attention of Community Pharmacists, General Practitioners, and Dental Practitioners.

Yours faithfully

G P Matthews
Pharmaceutical Assessor

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Advice to Professionals for Patients

If you have Bendrofluazide 2.5 mg Tablets of this batch you should cease taking them and refer to your doctor as soon as possible.

Although it is unlikely that adverse effects will be experienced, you should contact your doctor if there is any evidence of unusual bleeding.