

TYPE: Drug Recall

Potential Product Contamination

Drug Name: Senna (Liquid)

Audience: Pharmacy, Patient

Date: 8/8/2016

ISSUE

PharmaTech, LLC is voluntarily recalling all liquid products from October 20, 2015 through July 15, 2016. All liquid Senna products currently on the market, including Senexon Liquid (237 mL), Senna Syrup (237 mL), and Sennazon Syrup (237 mL), are part of the recall. This precautionary measure is being taken due to a potential risk of product contamination with *Burkholderia cepacia*.

TREENT-NOTIOS

To view the complete list of affected lot numbers, visit <u>http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm515610.htm.</u>

Usage of products containing *B. cepacia* could result in infections in patients with compromised immune systems and in patients with chronic lung conditions, such as cystic fibrosis. Some of these infections may be serious, or even life-threatening, in the at-risk patient population. To date, PharmaTech, LLC has not received any complaints of contamination in the products or the associated lot numbers.

BACKGROUND

Senna is a natural medicine containing sennosides that are derived from the leaves of the senna plant. Sennosides irritate the lining of the bowel, causing a laxative effect. Senna has been used in alternative medicine as a laxative and as an aid to treat constipation.

RECOMMENDATION

PharmaTech, LLC is notifying its distributors and customers by recall letter and is arranging for the return of all recalled products. Consumers, pharmacies, and healthcare facilities in possession of any products included in this recall should stop using and dispensing them immediately.

Patients should call 877-319-8963 or 866-726-6340 to arrange for the return of recalled products. Return packets, including a prepaid mailing envelope and a return form, will be shipped to patients within approximately five days.

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