# Philips Recall of CPAPs, BiLevel PAPs, & Home Ventilators

Approach for patients whose devices have been recalled



#### My patient's device is on the recall list. What should I do?

- · Advise patient to register device with Philips for replacement or repairs
- philips.com/src-update or 877-907-7508
- Discourage unapproved cleaning methods (eg, ozone-based devices)
- If device >5 years old, insurance may cover a new one



## Is my patient having symptoms when they use their device?

- These have included: Headache, eye irritation, skin irritation, and cough
- All appear rare
- Overall risk of continued use is unknown
- Arrange a visit to discuss further options, in person or by telehealth



## What should I discuss with my patient?

- Exercise shared decision-making; document all discussions
- Consider when deciding whether to continue therapy: Home ventilator use, CHF, COPD, hypoventilation, cardiac arrhythmias, pulmonary hypertension, respiratory failure secondary to neuromuscular diseases, and excessive daytime sleepiness without therapy



#### What are the alternatives to continued use?

- Consider weight loss, mandibular advancement devices, positional therapy, avoidance of alcohol, and sedative medications
- Commercial drivers, pilots, and patients in mission critical roles may be subject to employer-specific OSA treatment compliance requirements

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