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RE: Recall of Certain Philips Respironics CPAP/BiLevel PAP Devices

Dear Cook Children's Patient Family,

We are writing to inform you that Philips Respironics has issued a recall notification for specific CPAP/BiLevel PAP devices, manufactured since 2009, and our records indicate you may have one of these devices in your home. The full list of impacted devices is here:

<https://www.usa.philips.com/healthcare/e/sleep/communications/src-update>.

The reason for the recall is due to a sound abating (*noise reducing*) foam found in certain devices that may break down and release chemicals into the tubing, which could be inhaled.

According to Philips, "In the event of exposure to degraded foam, the potential risks of degraded foam exposure include irritation (skin, eye and respiratory tract), inflammatory response, headache, adverse effects to other organs (e.g. kidneys and liver) and toxic carcinogenic effects." The company has developed a comprehensive plan to replace the impacted foam with a new material, and this effort is already underway.

ACTION NEEDED:

- **If your child is using an impacted CPAP or Bi-Level PAP device from Phillips and they have severe sleep apnea, please contact your doctor to discuss your options for treatment and repair of your equipment.**
- **If your child has mild or moderate sleep apnea, we recommend that you **STOP using your machine**.** We will be contacting you very soon to get your device serviced. There will be no additional costs to you for any services related to this recall. In the meantime, you are encouraged to register your device on the Phillips website at [Phillips.com/SRC-update](https://www.usa.philips.com/healthcare/e/sleep/communications/src-update). If you are unsure whether your child's sleep apnea is mild or moderate, contact your doctor.

We understand you may have questions or concerns about this information, and we want to help. If Cook Children's Home Health visits your family, but you are not under the medical care of the Cook Children's Pulmonary Department, please call 682-303-7618 or visit [cookchildrens.org/recall](https://www.cookchildrens.org/recall).

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Cunningham".

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