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Subject: The use and regulation of pulse oximeters (information for healthcare professionals)

This information message is sent to draw the attention of Equipment Co-ordinators to information which may be relevant to the safety of equipment and facilities in NHS Boards and Local Authorities. Please find the information below:

The Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) has published web-based medical device guidance in partnership with devolved administrations which applies across the UK. Within Scotland, the guidance applies to NHS Boards, local authorities and any contractors providing publicly funded health and social care services.

The guidance is web-based and there are no print or PDF editions. Distribution is therefore by circulation of the URL and a PDF version of the web page for those unable to access it.

The URL for the above guidance is: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-use-and-regulation-of-pulse-oximeters-information-for-healthcare-professionals?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_source=f9cd0b26-bf49-4357-a2be-0ff3ebd8b48e&utm_content=daily

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