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SUBJECT/OBJET : **Hand Sanitizer Product Availability and Conservation Measures - Update**
Collection and Refilling of Empty Hand Sanitizer Bottles
Alternate Hand Sanitizer Products being Distributed

Due to a shortage from our supplier and new direction regarding the refilling of used bottles, **SKU 01327 – DEB807 – 1L Hand Sanitizer Bottles for Wall Mounted Dispenser** – is presently in short supply. Southern Health-Santé Sud and Shared Health are closely monitoring the situation, and are working with our supplier to resolve this issue. We expect the product shortage to continue for the next several weeks and will provide an update with any changes. In the meantime, Materials Management will work sites and programs to provide as much product as possible, where it is needed.

REMINDER:

Infection Prevention and Control routine practice and additional precautions provide hand hygiene direction about the use of both hand sanitizer (alcohol based hand rub/ABHR) and hand washing with **soap and water**. There is currently an adequate supply of soap, thus departments/programs are requested and encouraged to increase the use of soap in order to conserve hand sanitizer.

SKUs 01325 50ml and 01326 400ml Containers of ABHR - It remains prudent to conserve our smaller bottles of hand sanitizer so that they are available for hand hygiene and staff safety. Note that priority for distribution of these smaller format products are reserved for programs and facilities that do not have access to hand washing facilities where soap and water can be used.

Decanting and refilling of Hand Sanitizer Bottles – Please note that decanting, refilling and topping up of the disposable DEB Microsan Hand Sanitizer or other hand sanitizer containers is not allowed per Infection Prevention & Control standards. Southern Health-Santé Sud is coordinating a program to allow us to refill these containers utilizing trained personnel and processes evaluated by Infection Prevention & Control. This activity is occurring at

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Boundary Trails Health Centre and is being coordinated by Materials Management and Infection Prevention & Control. Returned bottles are processed, refilled and put back into inventory and will be distributed throughout our region as directed by Regional Leadership.

Collection of Empty Bottles: The Province of Manitoba has secured a large quantity of bulk hand sanitizer in addition to our current supplies. In order to utilize this product, Southern Health-Santé Sud is requesting that ALL empty hand sanitizer bottles be collected and sent to your local distribution center for processing and refilling as necessary. Note that the refilling or decanting of these containers MUST be done at the Boundary Trails Health Centre, coordinated by Materials Management and Infection Prevention & Control. Refilling or topping up in any other facilities is prohibited.

Alternate Product being Distributed: Materials Management is receiving alternate product in non-standard bottles from Shared Health. It may be necessary to distribute this product without decanting into our old bottles due to time constraints or availability of empty bottles. Here is a picture of what we have received so far. Note that appearance of the alternate product may vary.



Your cooperation and help in this matter is important and greatly appreciated.

Please direct any supply and availability concerns to the contacts below.

Distribution Centre Contact Information:

Leonardo Ardiles- Purchasing Manager- 204-239-2336
Mike Wlock- Purchasing Manager- BTHC- 204-331-8980
Tim Siran- Purchasing Manager- BRHC-204-346-5154

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PICTURES OF PRODUCT DISCUSSED:

SKU	Vendor PN	Description	Unit of Measure	SKU	Vendor PN	Description	Unit of Measure
01325	DEB805	HYGI - WATERLESS HAND SANITIZER, FOAM, 50ML	CASE/36	01326	DEB804	HYGI - WATERLESS HAND SANITIZER, FOAM, 400ML	CASE/12



SKU	Vendor PN	Description
01327	DEB807	HYGI - WATERLESS HAND SANITIZER, FOAM, 1000ML

