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SUBJECT:  Potential Contamination of Plak-Vac Oral Care System

The Department of Health and Senior Services advises health care facilities to temporarily suspend the use of Plak-Vac Oral Care System. The product has been used by health care facilities for oral hygiene of patients on ventilators. One lot of this product was analyzed and found to be contaminated with *Burkholderia cepacia*. In addition to patients on ventilators, this organism is hazardous to those with chronic respiratory disease, cystic fibrosis or are otherwise immune compromised. The department is working with the Food and Drug Administration on the investigation and further details will be provided as they become available.

The product label is pictured below.