Department of Health & Social Care

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Dear Colleagues,

Tiger Eye Protector Product – Removal from the Supply Chain in respect of Covid-19 use

BSI at the request of the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) have carried out a test on Tiger Eye protective goggles and frames that originated from the Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Programme (PIPP) Stock purchased in 2009.

The test has shown the product **does not meet the current requirement for splash protection required in BSN 166 (including certain testing requirements documented in BSN 168).** As a result, this product should not be used in a Covid-19 setting, and we are removing it from the supply chain.

Product details

Tiger Medical Products: Protective Goggles and Frames

Product Codes PG0001 – F and PG0001-L

Barcode for Frames: 6948548400132; Barcode for Lenses: 6948548400224

NPC for Frames (BTP083 and BTP403) and Lenses (BTP097, BTP404 and BTP439)

Trusts will want to consider reuse of appropriate eye protection in line with the guidance. If you now urgently require eye protection PPE for your organisation, please contact the National Supply Disruption Line on 0800 915 9964 for an urgent delivery.

Advice for staff

The current Infection Prevention and Control Guidance recommends that a full face shield or visor should be used when performing aerosol generating procedures (APGs). Staff in your organisation may already have used the above Tiger Eye Protector product for non AGPs. The risk from using it in direct patient contact when not performing AGPs is limited.

If staff have used the product when performing AGPs or if otherwise they have been exposed to droplets or splashes you should communicate this to HSE through the RIDDOR route https://www.hse.gov.uk/news/riddor-reporting-coronavirus.htm.

Yours sincerely,



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