

PHILIPS RECALL: UPDATE

As we previously shared, the FDA recently alerted the public and their health care providers about a recall regarding certain ventilators, BiPAP, and CPAP machines made by Philips Respironics. You are undoubtedly treating patients with sleep apnea who have been affected by the Philips Respironics recall, and we are too!

Based on our most recent discussions with our Respironics rep, it seems extremely likely there will be major CPAP supply issues due to a worldwide chip shortage and lack of machine availability, and that this shortage could last for a considerable amount of time, until production can catch up.

As you navigate treatment options with your patients, please know that we stand ready and willing to help your patients who need to discontinue CPAP or need to begin sleep apnea treatment and may benefit from oral appliance therapy (OAT).

Numerous studies have shown that OAT is a <u>proven</u>, <u>effective treatment option</u> that should be considered for adult patients who are intolerant of CPAP therapy or prefer alternate therapy. OAT can be used to treat <u>all levels of OSA severity</u> and has been proven to reduce AHI and improve OSA co-morbidities, such as blood pressure, fatigue and fatigue-related accidents and cardiovascular mortality.

Below are links to the information provided by Philips, as well as a fact sheet about OAT and a PDF compilation of some key research regarding OAT.

Please <u>let us know</u> how we can help your patients continue to receive treatment for their sleep apnea during this recall/shortage.

Philips recall notification
Philips clinical information for physicians and providers
OAT Fact Sheet
OAT Evidence Brief

#1 Choice in Sleep Apnea Treatment!

In June, we were honored and humbled to be named #1 in Sleep Apnea Treatment by Omaha voters. We appreciate our community so much, which is what makes this win mean so much!



Our goal is to normalize health risks in as many people as we can, in the most efficient and effective way, and we are thrilled to know that our efforts are seen and appreciated.

We Make It Easy To Partner

Both diagnosed and non-diagnosed patients may be referred.

We are Omaha's first and only one-stop shop for sleep. We know how complicated treating sleep disorders can be for both providers and patients and it is our goal to streamline the entire process for everyone involved. With that in mind, we are able to offer: 1) Home Sleep Testing - either diagnostic or guidance depending on the case. 2) CPAPs, and 3) Oral Appliances. Along with our dedicated dental sleep team, we work with Sleep Physicians for direction on patient care, and have a Registered Respiratory Therapist in our office who coordinates CPAP dispensing and ongoing care.

We want you to know that if you have a patient that you suspect has sleep apnea or has struggled with prescribed treatment, we will take great care of them.

Patients can be referred directly through our <u>website</u>, or you can <u>fax a referral</u> to us at 1-877-811-8129.

If you'd like any paper screening tools, informational brochures from our office, or would like to coordinate a time to speak with one of our providers, please connect with Brea at brea@whywesnore.com or 402-996-0387.



** Know that we are in-network with medical insurance, including Medicare and Tricare. Those with Medicare supplement plans typically have low or no out-of-pocket costs. All patients know what their out of pockets costs will be before moving forward with treatment.

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