

#### **IMPORTANT DRUG INFORMATION**

October 2014

### Subject: Temporary Importation of DIANEAL® Solution for Peritoneal Dialysis

Dear Healthcare Professional,

Due to current critical shortage of Dianeal peritoneal dialysis solutions for new and existing patients in the US market, Baxter Healthcare Corporation (Baxter) is coordinating with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to increase the availability of the drug. Baxter has initiated temporary importation of Dianeal peritoneal dialysis solutions manufactured at Baxter's Castlebar, Ireland facility and marketed within the European Union (EU). The FDA has not approved this product in the United States.

Prior to its use, it is important to check for leaks by squeezing the inner bag firmly. If leaks are found, do not use solution as sterility may be impaired. Additionally, check to see that solution is clear and free of foreign matter. Solutions that are cloudy, discolored, contain visible particulate matter, or show evidence of leakage should not be used or discarded, but reported to Baxter Product Surveillance immediately. To report product quality issues, please contact Baxter Product Surveillance at 1-800-437-5176.

There are no clinically relevant differences in the composition of the European-manufactured product and the US-manufactured product (see Table 1). However, because the imported product is only available in one size (5000 ml), the number of solution bags patients use per treatment may require modification. Although the frangible, medication ports, and connection caps may appear different for the European-manufactured product, they function in a similar manner to the US-manufactured product.

Effective immediately, Baxter will offer DIANEAL PD4 Glucose Solution for Peritoneal Dialysis in flexible polyvinyl chloride bag containers in the following volume:

Product*	Product Code Number NDC number	US equivalent Product Code Number and NDC number		
Dianeal PD4 Glucose 1,36% w/v 13,6 mg/ml Solution for Peritoneal Dialysis	SPB5215RC	L5B4826		
	NDC 0941-0464-01	NDC 0941-0409-07		
Dianeal PD4 Glucose 2,27% w/v	SPB5225RC	L5B5202		
22,7 mg/ml Solution for Peritoneal Dialysis	NDC 0941-0465-01	NDC 0941-0457-05		
Dianeal PD4 Glucose 3,86% w/v	SPB5235RC	L5B5203		
38,6 mg/ml Solution for Peritoneal Dialys	NDC 0941-0466-01	NDC 0941-0459-05		

#### Automated Peritoneal Dialysis (APD) product, 5000mL container:

\*Comparable to Dianeal Low Calcium (2.5 mEq/L) Peritoneal Dialysis Solution with Dextrose manufactured in the US

At this time, importation or distribution of Dianeal peritoneal dialysis solution in the United States by any entity other than Baxter or its authorized distributor(s) is considered a violation of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act and is subject to enforcement by the FDA.

#### **Dosage and Administration**

Baxter's DIANEAL PD4 with 1,36%, 2,27%, or 3,86% Glucose Solution for Peritoneal Dialysis (manufactured in EU) has the same ionic composition as Baxter's Dianeal Low Calcium (2.5 mEq/L) Peritoneal Dialysis Solution with 1.5%, 2.5%, or 4.25% Dextrose products (manufactured in US). Please



note that numerical values for EU products use commas in place of decimal points for the US products. Dianeal solution concentration is expressed as % anhydrous glucose, which correlates to the following % dextrose monohydrate equivalents:

- 1.5% dextrose monohydrate (or glucose monohydrate) = 1,36% anhydrous dextrose (or anhydrous glucose)
- 2.5% dextrose monohydrate (or glucose monohydrate) = 2,27% anhydrous dextrose (or anhydrous glucose)
- 4.25% dextrose monohydrate (or glucose monohydrate) = 3,86% anhydrous dextrose (or anhydrous glucose)

As such, clinical practice for usage, administration, and dosage for DIANEAL PD4 with 1,36%, 2,27%, or 3,86% Glucose Solution for Peritoneal Dialysis (manufactured in EU) products is the same as with the Dianeal Low Calcium (2.5 mEq/L) Peritoneal Dialysis Solution with 1.5%, 2.5%, or 4.25% Dextrose products (manufactured in US). Please refer to the FDA-approved Dianeal Low Calcium (2.5 mEq/L) Peritoneal Dialysis Solution US Package Insert for reference.

### **Summary of Product Differences**

Before prescribing, healthcare providers should be aware of some key differences in the container packaging and labeling between the DIANEAL PD4 with Glucose Solution for Peritoneal Dialysis products (manufactured in EU) and Dianeal Low Calcium (2.5 mEq/L) Peritoneal Dialysis Solution with Dextrose (manufactured in US).

Key differences are highlighted in the attached Product Comparison Tables as follows:

- Table 1: Dianeal Formulation Comparison (as labeled)
- Table 2: Comparison of Dianeal container labels for APD, 5000 mL

Additional differences with photographs are highlighted in the accompanying Comparison Guide, which describes differences in shipping cartons, solution bags, and labeling.

### **Important Notes**

- Despite visual differences in the product appearance, the Luer-lock connector is the same and is fully compatible with peritoneal dialysis sets marketed in the United States.
- Prior to use, it is important to check for leaks by squeezing the inner bag firmly. If leaks are found, do not use solution as sterility may be impaired. Additionally, check to see that solution is clear and free of foreign matter. Solutions that are cloudy, discolored, contain visible particulate matter, or show evidence of leakage should not be used or discarded, but reported to Baxter Product Surveillance immediately. To report product quality issues, please contact Baxter Product Surveillance at 1-800-437-5176.
- DIANEAL PD4 with Glucose Solutions imported product and carton labeling includes barcodes; however, the barcodes may not register accurately in the US scanning systems. Institutions should manually input the product into their systems and confirm that barcode systems do not provide incorrect information when the product is scanned. Alternative procedures should be followed to assure that the correct drug product is being used and administered to individual patients.

If you have any questions about the information contained in this letter or the use of DIANEAL PD4 with 1,36%, 2,27%, or 3,86% Glucose Solution for Peritoneal Dialysis products, please contact Baxter's Medical Information Service at 1-888-736-2543, Option #2. To place an order, please contact Baxter's Center for Service by calling 1-888-229-0001.

To report product quality issues, please contact Baxter Product Surveillance at 1-800-437-5176. To report



adverse events associated with Dianeal peritoneal dialysis solutions, please call Baxter at 1-866-888-2472 or fax: 1-800-759-1801. Adverse events that may be related to the use of this product may also be reported to the FDA's MedWatch Adverse Event Reporting program either online, by regular mail or by fax.

- Online: www.fda.gov/medwatch/report.htm
- **Regular Mail**: use postage-paid FDA form 3500 available at: www.fda.gov/MedWatch/getforms.htm. Mail to MedWatch 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20852-9787
- Fax: 1-800-FDA-0178 (1-800-332-0178)

Sincerely,

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### **Product Comparison Tables**

### Table 1.Dianeal Formulation Comparison (as labeled)

	Product manufactured in EU	Product manufactured in US		
Product name	DIANEAL PD4 Glucose Solution for Peritoneal Dialysis	Dianeal Low Calcium (2.5 mEq/L) Peritoneal Dialysis Solution with Dextrose		
Content	<b>1,36% w/v / 13,6 mg/ml</b> <b>Formula / 1000 ml:</b> Anhydrous Glucose 13,6 g Sodium Chloride 5,38 g Sodium Lactate 4,48 g Calcium Chloride 0,184 g Magnesium Chloride 0,051 g	<b>1.5% Dextrose</b> <b>Each 100 mL contains:</b> Dextrose Hydrous USP 1.5 g Sodium Chloride USP 538 mg Sodium Lactate 448 mg Calcium Chloride USP 18.3 mg Magnesium Chloride USP 5.08 mg		
	2,27% w/v / 22,7 mg/ml Formula / 1000 ml: Anhydrous Glucose 22,7 g/l Sodium Chloride 5,38 g/l Sodium Lactate 4,48 g/l Calcium Chloride 0,184 g/l Magnesium Chloride 0,051 g/l	2.5% Dextrose Each 100 mL contains: Dextrose Hydrous USP 2.5 g Sodium Chloride USP 538 mg Sodium Lactate 448 mg Calcium Chloride USP 18.3 mg Magnesium Chloride USP 5.08 mg		
	3,86% w/v / 38,6 mg/ml Formula / 1000 ml: Anhydrous Glucose 38,6 g/l Sodium Chloride 5,38 g/l Sodium Lactate 4,48 g/l Calcium Chloride 0,184 g/l Magnesium Chloride 0,051 g/l	4.25% Dextrose Each 100 mL contains: Dextrose Hydrous USP 4.25 g Sodium Chloride USP 538 mg Sodium Lactate 448 mg Calcium Chloride USP 18.3 mg Magnesium Chloride USP 5.08 mg		
Ionic composition*	Sodium 132 mmol/L Calcium 1,25 mmol/L Magnesium 0,25 mmol/L Chloride 95 mmol/L Lactate 40 mmol/L	Sodium 132 mEq/L Calcium 2.5 mEq/L Magnesium 0.5 mEq/L Chloride 95 mEq/L Lactate 40 mEq/L		
Osmolarity (calculated)	1,36% Glucose: 344 mOsm/L 2,27% Glucose: 395 mOsm/L 3,86% Glucose: 483 mOsm/L	1.5% Dextrose: 344 mOsmol/L 2.5% Dextrose: 395 mOsmol/L 4.25% Dextrose: 483 mOsmol/L		
Storage conditions	Do not store above 25°C.	It is recommended the product be stored at room temperature (25°C / 77°F): brief exposure up to 40°C (104°F) does not adversely affect the product.		

\* The ionic concentration between the two products is exactly the same though different units of measure (mmol/L vs. mEq/L) are used.



### Table 2.Comparison of Dianeal container labels for APD, 5000 mL

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# **COMPARISON GUIDE**



Temporary supply of Baxter-manufactured DIANEAL PD4 PD solution from Europe

# "Why do the Baxter bags look different?"

Baxter Healthcare will be shipping DIANEAL PD4 with Glucose Solution for PD, manufactured in Europe ("DIANEAL PD4"), as a temporary supply for Dianeal Low Calcium (2.5% mEq/L) PD Solution, manufactured in US ("Dianeal Low Calcium"). The US-manufactured Dianeal Low Calcium is the PD solution used for APD therapy.

- DIANEAL PD4 (manufactured in EU) solutions and bags are made to the same high-quality standards as Dianeal Low Calcium (manufactured in US) solutions and bags. The DIANEAL solutions inside are comparable.
- The method of connection is <u>exactly the same</u>—there is no need to use adapters or change the bag connection process.
- DIANEAL PD4 (manufactured in EU) bags—and their shipping cartons—have a slightly different appearance compared to Dianeal Low Calcium (manufactured in US) bags and shipping cartons.
- Dianeal Low Calcium (manufactured in US) bags come in a variety of bag sizes. DIANEAL PD4 (manufactured in EU) bags will be 5000 mL bag size only. This might require modification of the number of solution bags per treatment.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call Baxter HomeCare Services at 1-800-284-4060.



# Differences in the shipping cartons

What do the new shipping cartons look like?



# Differences in glucose/dextrose concentration and shipping carton color-coding

Glucose/dextrose concentrations are written differently, but the amount is exactly the same.

The US PD solutions are labeled as dextrose with concentrations that are different than the EU PD solutions as they are made with a different form of glucose; however, the actual concentrations of glucose in both PD solutions are identical.

• Color coding is the same for "yellow" and "green" concentrations, but the <u>"red" concentration is color-coded "orange"</u> on the DIANEAL PD4 (manufactured in EU) shipping cartons.

US bag	Shipping carton tape color		Europe bag	Shipping carton <u>label</u> color
1.5% DEX	Yellow	equals	Glucose 1,36%	Yellow
2.5% DEX	Green	equals	Glucose 2,27%	Green
4.25% DEX	Red	equals	Glucose 3,86%	Orange

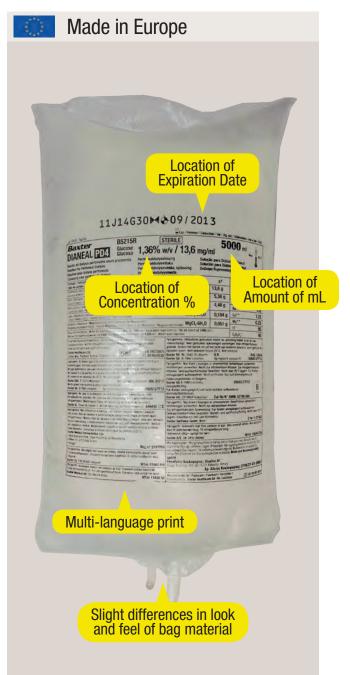
The type and location of the color-coding on the shipping cartons are also different.

- Dianeal Low Calcium (manufactured in US) shipping cartons (below, on left) use a color-coded sealing tape across the shipping carton top.
- DIANEAL PD4 (manufactured in EU) shipping cartons (below, on right) have color-coded paper labels attached to the side of the shipping carton.

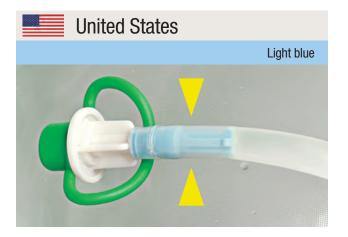


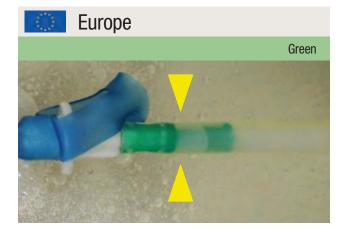
# Differences in the bags clinics and patients receive What do the DIANEAL PD4 (made in EU) solution bags look like?

## **Bag Labeling**

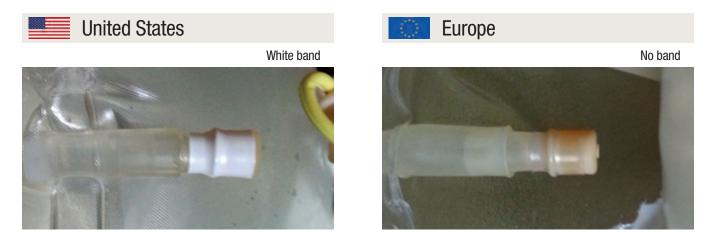


### Frangible (different colors, but function exactly the same)



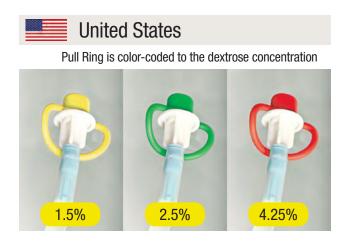


### Medication Ports / Injection Sites (different, but function exactly the same)



### Connection Caps (different, but connection method is exactly the same)

• Do not use if Pull Ring or Blue Pull Tip is not attached to the connector.



### Europe

Blue Pull Tip is the same for all glucose concentrations



# Using DIANEAL PD4 (manufactured in EU) The connection technique is exactly the same.

Always follow the instructions in the HomeChoice and HomeChoice PRO APD Patient At-Home Guide or HomeChoice Automated PD System Procedure Guide (flipchart) for the set up of the cycler machine.

As usual, it is important to check the bags carefully before using them:

**% STRENGTH** of the glucose/dextrose solution in the bag-1,36%, 2,27%, 3,86%

**EXPIRATION** date

AMOUNT of solution or size of the bag

Make sure there are NO LEAKS and that the fluid is CLEAR

### Important reminder:

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