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RECALLS

Date	Brand Name	Product Description	Reason/Problem	Company
08/30/2017	Hospira, Inc.	Vancomycin Hydrochloride for Injection	Particulate Matter	Hospira, Inc.
08/30/2017	Doctor Manzanilla	Allergy, cough medicine	Burkholderia cepacia	Mid Valley Pharmaceutical
08/30/2017	Pivanping	Anti-Itch Lotion	Contains dexamethasone instead of hydrocortisone	Lucky Mart Inc.
08/22/2017	Centurion	Ninjacof and Ninjacof A	Potential contamination with Burkholderia cepacia	Centurion Labs
08/18/2017	Bella Pharma	All lots of unexpired sterile drug products	Due to lack of sterility assurance	Bella Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
08/17/2017	Atlantic Pharmacy and Compounding	All compounded injectable prescription medications	Due to lack of sterility assurance	Vital Rx, Inc. d/b/a Atlantic Pharmacy and Compounding
08/14/2017	Amneal Pharmaceuticals LLC	Lorazepam Oral Concentrate, USP 2mg/mL	Misprinted Dosing Droppers	Amneal Pharmaceuticals LLC
08/10/2017	Leader, Major, Rugby	Liquid drug products	Potential contamination with B. cepacia	Cardinal Health
08/09/2017	International Laboratories, LLC	Pravastatin Sodium Tablets	Labeled as Pravastatin Sodium Tablets USP 40 mg but contained Bupropion Hydrochloride XL 300 mg tablets	International Laboratories, LLC
08/04/2017	Man of Steel	Man of Steel 1 and Man of Steel 2	Contains Undeclared Sildenafil	Man of Steel
08/02/2017	Rugby	Diocto Liquid and Diocto Syrup	Potential contamination with Burkholderia cepacia	Rugby® Laboratories
07/28/2017	ICU Medical, Inc.	0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP 1000 mL	Particulate matter	ICU Medical, Inc.
07/27/2017	Apacer Packaging LLC	Cyclobenzaprine HCl Tablet and Amantadine HCl Capsule	Cyclobenzaprine HCL may contain Amantadine HCL Capsules	Apacer Packaging LLC
07/25/2017	Cantrell Drug Company	All unexpired sterile drug syringes and IV bags	Lack of sterility assurance	Cantrell Drug Company
07/21/2017	Super Panther 7K	Dietary Supplement	Unapproved new drug	Ultra Shop Supplement
07/13/2017	New of Kopi Jantan Tradisional	Natural Herbs Coffee Dietary Supplement	Unapproved new drug, Undeclared Milk Allergen	Bestherbs Coffee LLC
07/11/2017	Andropharm	Sten Z and M1 Alphas capsules	Unapproved drug	Andropharm

SHORTAGES

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DRUG

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 - **Vancomycin Hydrochloride for Injection, USP, 750 mg/vial by Hospira: Recall - Presence of Particulate Matter** If administered to a patient, particulate may result in phlebitis, end-organ granuloma or micro-embolic effects, or gastrointestinal trauma. Posted 08/31/2017
 - **Doctor Manzanilla Cough and Cold and Doctor Manzanilla Allergy and Decongestant Relief Syrup: Recall - Potential Contamination with Burkholderia cepacia** Contaminated products with Burkholderia cepacia can potentially result in serious infections, may be life-threatening in patients with compromised immune systems. Posted 08/30/2017
 - **Piyanping Anti-Itch Lotion: Recall - Incorrect Active Ingredient** There is a reasonable probability of the following side effects of topical steroids which include but are not limited to skin changes, adrenal suppression, glaucoma, and cataracts. Posted 08/30/2017
 - **Forced Air Thermal Regulating Systems: Healthcare Provider Letter - Information About Use** FDA continues to recommend the use of thermoregulating devices (including forced air thermal regulating systems) for surgical procedures when clinically warranted. Posted 08/30/2017
 - **Implantable Cardiac Pacemakers by Abbott (formerly St. Jude Medical): Safety Communication - Firmware Update to Address Cybersecurity Vulnerabilities** Vulnerabilities, if exploited, could allow an unauthorized user to access patient's device, which could result in patient harm from rapid battery depletion or administration of inappropriate pacing. Posted 08/29/2017
 - **Zenith Alpha Thoracic Endovascular Graft by Cook Medical: Recall Correction and Removal of Specific Sizes from Market - Increased Reports of Graft Thrombosis and Occlusion in BTAI Treatment** Correction removed the indication for BTAI; Voluntary recall includes Zenith Alpha Thoracic products in sizes of 18-22mm, including the 26-22mm tapered device. Posted 08/25/2017

IMMUNIZATIONS

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