NO NAME MEDICAL CENTER

# Media Fact Sheet

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| Situation | NO NAME MEDICAL CENTER is conducting a thorough review of one healthcare provider's practice when administering intravenous fluids during adult cardiac chemical (pharmacological) stress tests, after administrators learned he/she was using single-use supplies on more than one patient. The period under investigation is from MONTH YEAR through MONTH YEAR, which coincides with this individual 's employment dates. |
| How the MEDICAL CENTER was Notified | An individual contacted our Compliance Hot Line and reported seeing the healthcare provider use the same saline bag and a portion of tubing more than once. |
| Number of Patients Contacted | Administrators at NO NAME MEDICAL CENTER conducted a thorough review of the medical records of all adult patients who received a chemical stress test administered by the healthcare provider not following the approved procedure during the period of MONTH YEAR to MONTH YEAR. Approximately X NUMBER patients are being contacted. |
| How Patients are Being Notified | NO NAME MEDICAL CENTER has taken an extremely proactive approach to alerting the local medical and patient community about the situation. We have sent letters in English, Spanish and OTHER LANGUAGE via certified mail to all patients and referring physicians, informing them of the incident and providing the hotline number, website and details on follow-up screenings. |
| What Patients Should Do | We encourage the patients contacted to get tested for hepatitis C virus, hepatitis B virus, and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). It is recommended that the patients in question get tested, even if they do not remember ever feeling sick. Although we believe the risk of exposure is low, it is important for patients to be tested, since there are treatment options available if patients do test positive. Any disease found and associated with this practice will be investigated thoroughly to determine specific individual circumstances. |
| Patient Testing Locations | We have made arrangements with LABORATORY NAME to provide the necessary tests. NO NAME MEDICAL CENTER will be responsible for the cost. |
| For Additional Information | For additional information or questions, concerned patients should contact the dedicated 24-hour hotline at NUMBER or visit [WEBSITE.](http://www.browardhealth.org/patientnotice) |