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NHS Dental Teams

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Dear NHS Dental Teams,

It has been brought to my attention by the Defective Medicines Reporting Centre within MHRA, that falsified medical oxygen has been circulating in a small number of dental practices within Scotland.

The source of this supply has been identified and the relevant cylinders have been successfully recalled. An assessment of risk to public health and patient safety has been completed and was assessed as low.

It is vitally important that all healthcare professionals ensure that medical oxygen supplies are procured only from authorised and licensed manufacturers or authorised wholesale dealers of medical oxygen. Can I reinforce the importance of ensuring your practice suppliers are authorised and licensed.

Yours sincerely,

Tom Ferris,

Chief Dental Officer



