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This information message is sent to draw the attention of Equipment Co-ordinators to information which may be relevant to the safety of equipment and facilities in NHS Boards and Local Authorities.

- BD (Becton Dickinson) has produced a COVID-19 pandemic advice poster (see attached) advising:
  - Protect 50ml Luer Lock (LL) syringes for Critical Care use
  - Use 10/20/30ml LL or Luer Slip (LS) syringes where possible
- This poster supplements the advice given in Safety Action Notice SAN(SC)20/06 *National Infusion and Vascular Access Society (NIVAS) recommend to reserve use of 50ml luer lock syringes for critical care infusion pumps during COVID-19 pandemic*, issued on 08 April 2020.
- Please distribute this poster in accordance with your organisation's normal protocols. It is recommended that it should be prominent on notice boards and other channels such as intranet and staff newsletters
- Target groups are medical, nursing, medical physics, technical managers, critical care leads, procurement managers, clinical directors, and all managers and staff involved in IV therapy administration

As the Equipment Co-ordinator for your organisation, we recommend that you assess whether or not to forward this information to managers and staff within your area of responsibility who might benefit from being aware of it.

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