

Safety Information Message

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Breast implant associated anaplastic large cell lymphoma (BIA-ALCL).
Information from MHRA for patients and health care professionals.

Summary

MHRA has updated information on breast implant associated anaplastic large cell lymphoma (BIA-ALCL) for people with breast implants. This notice supersedes SIM2113.

Action

1. Bring this notice to the attention of all appropriate managers, staff and contractors
2. Ensure incidents involving BIA-ALCL are reported locally and to IRIC: [report an incident](#)

Background

MHRA has issued revised information for patients, public and healthcare professionals on breast implant associated anaplastic large cell lymphoma (BIA-ALCL). The updated information, issued on 30 September 2022, is available on the GOV.UK website and can be accessed using this link:

[Breast Implant Associated Anaplastic Large Cell Lymphoma \(BIA-ALCL\) - GOV.UK](#)

Incident reporting arrangements have an important role in monitoring BIA-ALCL. In Scotland, incidents should be reported locally (Datix or Ulyses) and to IRIC.

Note: IRIC is responsible for notifying all Scottish medical device incidents, including BIA-ALCL, to MHRA.

Enquiries

Enquiries and adverse incident reports should be addressed to:

Incident Reporting & Investigation Centre (IRIC), NHS National Services Scotland
Tel: 0131 275 7575 Email: nss.irc@nhs.scot

Accessibility: Please contact us using the above details if you are blind or have a sight impairment and would like to request this alert in a more suitable format.

IRIC remit: general information about adverse incidents, safety alerts and IRIC's role can be found in [CEL 43 \(2009\)](#), *Safety of Health, Social Care, Estates and Facilities Equipment: NHS Board and Local Authority Responsibilities*, issued 30 October 2009.

Report an incident: Information on [how to report an adverse incident](#)

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