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Dear colleagues,

In light of the potential IV solution shortages in facilities across Region VIII, MPRDHRS has gathered resources for use to inform situational awareness, medication management, and vendor updates.

If you find additional resources or would like to share your facilities guidelines, please send to <u>MountainPlainsRDHRS@dhha.org</u> and we will continue to share and add to our website: MountainPlainsRDHRS.org.

Situational Awareness

<u>Baxter's North Cove plant</u> located in Marion, North Carolina experienced flooding from Hurricane Helene and is currently closed for production. The facility specializes in the production of intravenous (IV) and peritoneal dialysis solutions and is the leading U.S. manufacturer of these products.

Baxter estimates the disruption to last 3 months.

The American Hospital Association recommends each facility and healthcare system, in collaboration with clinical teams, incorporate their own judgement for implementing conservation strategies to manage the incident.

Conservation and Supply Chain Management Resources

AHA | Updates on IV Fluid Supplies After Helene Forces Closure of Baxter Manufacturing Plant | <u>More Information</u>

ASHP | Small- and Large-Volume Fluid Shortages – Suggestions for Management and Conservation |<u>More Information</u>

R7DHRE | SBAR of IV Fluid Disruption | More Information

Incident Update Resources

Baxter | Press Releases | More Information

HealthcareReady | AlertHub | More Information

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