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# IMMEDIATE MESSAGE TO:

- 1. Directors of Pharmacy
- 2. Chief Pharmacists NHS Boards
- 3. Hospital Pharmacy Managers
- 4. Medical Directors NHS Boards
- 5. Chief Executives NHS Boards

9 July 2014

Dear Healthcare Professional,

### DRUG ALERT CLASS 4 no 9 2014 – CAUTION IN USE

Please see the attached drug alert for onward transmission as below. Could all Directors of Pharmacy please forward this alert to:-

- Hospital Pharmacists
- Chief Pharmacists to forward on to Medicines Information Pharmacists
- 1. Please could Medical Directors forward this alert to:-
  - General Practitioners
  - Accident & Emergency Departments
  - Directors of Public Health
  - Relevant Clinics
  - Chief Executives of NHS Board

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely

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# **DRUG ALERT** CLASS 4 MEDICINES DEFECT INFORMATION

Caution in Use Distribute to Hospital Ward Level

Date: 09 July 2014

EL (14)A/09

Our Ref: MDR 43-06/14

Dear Healthcare Professional,

# Wockhardt UK Ltd

Amoxicillin Sodium 250mg Powder for Solution for Injection	PL 29831/0010
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# Amoxicillin Sodium 500mg Powder for Solution for Injection PL 29831/0012

# Amoxicillin Sodium 1g Powder for Solution for Injection PL 29831/0011

Wockhardt UK Ltd has received a number of reports of extravasation and injection site reactions **in neonates and infants (below 1 year old**). As a precaution Wockhardt UK Ltd are asking all healthcare professionals treating neonates and infants not to use Wockhardt Amoxicillin Sodium Powder for Solution for Injection (all batches) in such patients until further notice, while the company investigates.

MHRA is working with Wockhardt UK Ltd to ensure these reports are investigated as quickly as possible. At this time there is no evidence to suggest that these products are defective.

For medical information enquiries please contact Wockhardt UK Ltd Medical Information on 01978 661261 or email <u>drug.safety@wockhardt.co.uk</u>.

Recipients of this Drug Alert should bring it to the attention of relevant contacts by copy of this letter.

Yours faithfully

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