

APPENDIX F – eBULLETINS and FAX BLASTS DISSEMINATED DURING 2010

Northwest Renal Network disseminates electronic bulletin information to facilities, patients and other interested parties. The distribution list is confidential and subscription to this service can be established by emailing a request to nwrnbulletins@nw16.esrd.net. All Network facilities have representatives on the list. The bulletins in red are alerts or warnings from the FDA or other organizations. *For online readers of this report, the links below are active.*

- 30 Dec 2010 [NANT Webinars on Buttonhole in January 2011](#)
- 30 Dec 2010 [ANNA Webinars on "Save the Vein" and GI Inflammation in January and February 2011](#)
- 30 Dec 2010 [ANNA PD Workshop in April 2011 in Seattle](#)
- 27 Dec 2010 [Renal Update 2011 February 3-4 in Lynnwood, WA](#)
- 27 Dec 2010 [Abbott Glucose Test Strips Recall](#)
- 21 Dec 2010 [Fresenius Kabi RBC Exchange Sets Class I Recall](#)
- 17 Dec 2010 [Updated Patient Education Materials Catalog](#)
- 15 Dec 2010 [NANT Symposium March 8-10, 2011 in Las Vegas](#)
- 15 Dec 2010 [Annual Dialysis Meeting and Disasters Meeting](#)
- 7 Dec 2010 [October AVF-in-Use Rate 65.9%!](#)
- 7 Dec 2010 [2009 ELabs Final Report and Comparison Tools](#)
- 7 Dec 2010 [FMC PD Cyclor Sets Recall](#)
- 1 Dec 2010 [B.Braun addEase Binary Connector Class I Recall](#)
- 1 Dec 2010 [WalkMed Triton Pole Mount Infusion Pumps Update](#)
- 1 Dec 2010 [Emergency Manager Section Added to Network Website](#)
- 26 Nov 2010 [New Buttonhole Articles and QI Web Page Updates](#)
- 18 Nov 2010 [Introductory Buttonhole Cannulation Document](#)
- 18 Nov 2010 [AVF Progress Updates](#)
- 16 Nov 2010 [SIGMA Spectrum Infusion Pump Class I Recall](#)
- 9 Nov 2010 [September Patient Census](#)
- 9 Nov 2010 [September AVF Rates](#)
- 9 Nov 2010 [Triton Pole Mount Infusion Pump Recall](#)
- 9 Nov 2010 [AVF Education Videos](#)
- 5 Nov 2010 [Hospira Symbiq Infusers Class I Recall](#)
- 30 Oct 2010 [New B.Braun Heparin Recall](#)
- 20 Oct 2010 [Online Quality Improvement Presentations on AVF and hgb](#)
- 18 Oct 2010 [CareFusion Alaris PC Units Model 8015 Recall](#)
- 18 Oct 2010 [Excelsior Saline Flush Syringes Recall](#)
- 18 Oct 2010 [Kidney Research Institute Open House October 20](#)
- 12 Oct 2010 [Comments Requested on Transplant Policy Changes](#)

- 11 Oct 2010 [NKF Authors Luncheon November 13 in Portland](#)
- 10 Oct 2010 [Fistulas That Work - Surgeon Training, Chicago, November 12](#)
- 8 Oct 2010 [ANNA Audio Conference on Gastrointestinal Complaints November 9](#)
- 7 Oct 2010 [Paired Donation Transplant Pilot Program Beginning](#)
- 4 Oct 2010 [AAMI Webinars on Hemodialysis Standards](#)
- 4 Oct 2010 [CROWNWeb Phase III](#)
- 30 Sep 2010 [Washington State Only: New HCA Drug Administration Rules](#)
- 30 Sep 2010 [NKF Renal Education Conference October 24 in Portland](#)
- 27 Sep 2010 [Mid-Columbia Nephrology Seminar October 17](#)
- 26 Sep 2010 [Specific Lots of Epogen and Procrit Recalled](#)
- 26 Sep 2010 [Free NANT Webinar with Contact Hours; NANT Webinar Series and March Symposium](#)
- 23 Sep 2010 [Acute Dialysis 2010 ANNA Professional Meetings October 5 and 13](#)
- 23 Sep 2010 [Avandia \(rosiglitazone\) Usage Restriction](#)
- 23 Sep 2010 [DFR Summary 2010 Added to Website](#)
- 22 Sep 2010 [Access Documents Updated](#)
- 22 Sep 2010 [AVF Progress](#)
- 21 Sep 2010 [Psychosocial Tools Web Page Updated](#)
- 20 Sep 2010 [Open Door Forum on HIPAA 5010](#)
- 20 Sep 2010 [Actos \(pioglitazone\) FDA Safety Review](#)
- 15 Sep 2010 [Possible Overdose in Pediatric Patients: Valcyte \(valganciclovir hydrochloride\) Label Change](#)
- 14 Sep 2010 [Patients: Impact of New Medicare Billing Process](#)
- 13 Sep 2010 [Free Patient Education Conference Calls on Diabetes and Communication](#)
- 12 Sep 2010 [Hospira Symbiq Infusers Class I Recall](#)
- 10 Sep 2010 [New Patient Newsletter on Coping with Your Concerns](#)
- 10 Sep 2010 [National Emergency Preparedness Education Week September 19-25](#)
- 10 Sep 2010 [Fresenius Hemodialysis Machine Power Cord Recall](#)
- 10 Sep 2010 [Gadolinium-Based Contrast Agents Labeling Change](#)
- 7 Sep 2010 [Tygacil \(tigecycline\) Label Change](#)
- 28 Aug 2010 [Warning on Fingerstick and Blood Testing Devices](#)
- 24 Aug 2010 [Seattle RSN Meeting Location Change](#)
- 19 Aug 2010 [CMS Open Door Forums on Quality Incentive Payment and on ICD-10/5010](#)
- 16 Aug 2010 [Proposed Midodrine Hydrochloride \(ProAmatine\) Approval Withdrawal](#)
- 3 Aug 2010 [NKF Kidney Walk in Anchorage September 25](#)
- 3 Aug 2010 [NKF Educational Symposium near Portland September 19](#)
- 3 Aug 2010 [Renal Support Network Lifestyle Meeting near Seattle August 29](#)
- 23 Jul 2010 [June 2010 Patient Census \(Modality Reports\)](#)

- 23 Jul 2010 [Involuntary Discharge Notification Requirements](#)
- 22 Jul 2010 [ANNA Hemodialysis Workshop September 12 in Seattle](#)
- 19 Jul 2010 [2009 Network Annual Report Posted](#)
- 17 Jul 2010 [Cincinnati Vascular Access Symposium October 1-2](#)
- 17 Jul 2010 [Blood Pressure Meds FDA Safety Review](#)
- 15 Jul 2010 [Limited Coumadin Recall](#)
- 10 Jul 2010 [Jobs Page on Network Website Updated](#)
- 10 Jul 2010 [2000-2008 Network Annual Reports Restored](#)
- 10 Jul 2010 [New CROWNWeb Links](#)
- 9 Jul 2010 [Proposed Revisions to HIPAA Privacy/Security/Enforcement Rules](#)
- 9 Jul 2010 [New Quaaluan \(Quinine\) Medication Guide](#)
- 2 Jul 2010 [Physio-Control LIFEPAK 20/20e Defibrillators Class 1 Recall](#)
- 28 Jun 2010 [2010 DFR Schedule](#)
- 18 Jun 2010 [Counterfeit Tamiflu Dangerous to Patients Allergic to Penicillin](#)
- 15 Jun 2010 [FDA Safety Review of Benicar](#)
- 15 Jun 2010 [Updated Network Web Pages: Network Goals, Technical Assistance, Transplant Selection Criteria, AAMI Special Considerations](#)
- 10 Jun 2010 [Lifeline and ReviveR Defibrillator Battery Packs](#)
- 10 Jun 2010 [Recall of Additional Cipro Brands](#)
- 8 Jun 2010 [Diabetes Patients: NKF Educational Conference Calls](#)
- 4 Jun 2010 [New NN&I Online Seminar on Vascular Access](#)
- 4 Jun 2010 [New Buttonhole Slideshow](#)
- 4 Jun 2010 [New Vascular Access Poster for Patients](#)
- 4 Jun 2010 [Clarix Cipro Recall, Including Metronidazole and Ondansetron](#)
- 26 May 2010 [Proton Pump Inhibitor Label Changes](#)
- 25 May 2010 [Dialysis Population Growth](#)
- 25 May 2010 [March Network AVF Rates](#)
- 21 May 2010 [Revised Survey Guidance on Conditions for Coverage](#)
- 21 May 2010 [Benadryl Itch Stopping Gel Label Changes](#)
- 17 May 2010 [Baxter Colleague Infusion Pumps - Recall and Destroy Order from FDA](#)
- 29 Apr 2010 [Survey Specs for PCTs under new Conditions for Coverage](#)
- 29 Apr 2010 [Class I Recall of Nihon Kohden and GE Responder Defibrillators](#)
- 28 Apr 2010 [Free CKD Education Benefit Seminar Online with CME/CEs](#)
- 28 Apr 2010 [2010 NKF US Transplant Games July 30-August 4 in Wisconsin](#)
- 27 Apr 2010 [Patient Newsletter on Remaining Active](#)
- 26 Apr 2010 [Updated Emergency Preparedness Documents](#)
- 26 Apr 2010 [Get Ready for Flu Fact Sheet](#)

- 23 Apr 2010 [LIFEPAK 15 Monitor/Defibrillator Recall](#)
- 10 Apr 2010 [Heparin Dosage Warning](#)
- 2 Apr 2010 [New CMS Internet Address](#)
- 31 Mar 2010 [AAKP Annual Awards Nominations](#)
- 31 Mar 2010 [New Warning on Zocor \(Simvastatin\)](#)
- 19 Mar 2010 [HIPAA Security Conference May 11-12 in Washington DC](#)
- 19 Mar 2010 [Boston Scientific Implantable Defibrillators Recall](#)
- 19 Mar 2010 [NANT Seminar April 25 in Portland](#)
- 17 Mar 2010 [CNSW Spring 2010 Educational Symposium](#)
- 16 Mar 2010 [Plavix \(Clopidogrel\): New Boxed Warning](#)
- 16 Mar 2010 [Proposed Transplant Policy Changes](#)
- 11 Mar 2010 [Fistula First Breakthrough Initiative 2009 Annual Report](#)
- 8 Mar 2010 [New CMS Document on Emergency Procedures](#)
- 5 Mar 2010 [Baxter HomeChoice & HomeChoice PRO PD Systems Class I Recall](#)
- 3 Mar 2010 [International Meeting on Angioaccess for Hemodialysis June 14-16](#)
- 3 Mar 2010 [NKF 2010 Spring Clinical Meetings April 13-17](#)
- 3 Mar 2010 [Annual Kidney Community Emergency Resonse Coalition \(KCER\) Summit April 13](#)
- 28 Feb 2010 [StatSpin Express 4 Centrifuge Model 510 Class I Recall](#)
- 28 Feb 2010 [LifeScan OneTouch SureStep Blood Glucose Test Strips Recall](#)
- 22 Feb 2010 [FDA Review of Avandia \(rosiglitazone\)](#)
- 21 Feb 2010 [Five-Diamond Patient Safety Program](#)
- 17 Feb 2010 [AAKP 2010 Annual Convention in Tampa in September](#)
- 17 Feb 2010 [FDA Drug Safety Notice on ESAs](#)
- 12 Feb 2010 [December 2009 AVF-in-Use Rate at 64.5%](#)
- 12 Feb 2010 [New FFBI Resource on "Listen for the Bruit"](#)
- 12 Feb 2010 [New Buttonhole Online Seminar](#)
- 10 Feb 2010 [New CMS Billing Requirements Effective July 1, 2010](#)
- 10 Feb 2010 [Cardiac Sciences AED Recalls: Powerheart, CardioVive, Cadiolife](#)
- 8 Feb 2010 [New CKD Education Tool](#)
- 8 Feb 2010 [Psychosocial Tools and Resources Updated](#)
- 5 Feb 2010 [NKF Patient & Community Education Symposium, Portland, March 14, 2010](#)
- 5 Feb 2010 [Medicare 2010 Contractor Provider Satisfaction Survey](#)
- 5 Feb 2010 [Open Door Forum on New Clinical Performance Measures](#)
- 4 Feb 2010 [Edwards Lifesciences Aquarius HD System Recall](#)
- 31 Jan 2010 [Haitian Culture and Clinical Care](#)
- 31 Jan 2010 [Disaster Preparedness Information from FEMA](#)
- 26 Jan 2010 [Involuntary Discharge Notification Requirements](#)

- 25 Jan 2010 [Mikro and Haematokrit Centrifuge Recall](#)
- 25 Jan 2010 [Nipro GlucoPro Insulin Syringe Recall](#)
- 21 Jan 2010 [ev3 Trailblazer Catheter Class I Recall](#)
- 21 Jan 2010 [CROWNWeb Online Seminars](#)
- 21 Jan 2010 [Resources on Patient Adherence](#)
- 18 Jan 2010 [H1N1 Vaccine Status Letter from FDA](#)
- 13 Jan 2010 [Disaster Prep Article Added to Network Website](#)
- 11 Jan 2010 [Rapamune/Sirolimus Prescribing Information Changes](#)
- 11 Jan 2010 [New AVF Change Concepts](#)
- 9 Jan 2010 [State Survey Expectations Documents for Dialysis Facilities Updated](#)
- 7 Jan 2010 [Spanish-Language Version of Free Educational Material Order Form](#)
- 7 Jan 2010 [Network Consumer News on Keeping Your Access Uncovered](#)
- 6 Jan 2010 [National Influenza Vaccination Week January 10-15](#)

Northwest Renal Network, in addition to eBulletins, provides information to facility staff via Fax Blast for FDA recalls and alerts, as well as other topics. The list of the Fax Blasts that were disseminated in 2009 is listed in the table below.

FAX BLASTS SENT TO FACILITIES IN 2010	
DATE	PURPOSE
1/12/10	FDA alert Rapamune (sirolimus): Drug Monitoring
1/21/10	Ev3 Trailblazer Catheter Class 1 Recall
1/25/10	Mikro and Haematokrit Centrifuge Recall
2/4/10	Baxter HomeChoice™ Urgent Recall
2/4/10	New Resource: Clinical Algorithm & Preferred Medications to Treat Pain in Dialysis Patients
2/5/10	Changes to MIPPA reporting requirements for Dialysis Adequacy, Infection and Vascular Access Reporting
2/8/10	Northwest Dialysis Emergency Coalition Asset Survey
2/17/10	Erythropoiesis-Stimulating Agents (ESAs): Procrit, Epogen and Aranesp: Drug Safety Communication
2/26/10	StatSpin Express 4 Centrifuges Model 510 Class 1 Recall
2/27/10	Tsunami advisory for the pacific coast from the Chilean earthquake
3/1/10	OneTouch SureStep Test Strips (LifeScan): Recall
3/4/10	Baxter HomeChoice and HomeChoice PRO Automated Peritoneal Dialysis Systems: Class I Recall
3/12/10	<u>Boxed warning</u> : Plavix (clopidogrel): Reduced effectiveness in patients who are poor metabolizers of the drug.
3/25/10	Tsunami awareness week notice
4/9/10	New Heparin potency decrease

4/19/10	A fax blast was sent for NANT meeting in Portland, OR
4/22/10	Class 1 recall Lifepak 15 Monitor/Defibrillator by Physio-Control, Inc.
4/27/10	Important information that facility reps need to know. Included was a technical assistance flyer
4/29/10	FDA Class 1 Recall - Cardiac Science AEDs, Powerheart, Cardiovine, NK, responder models
5/6/10	FDA recall and destroy notice on Baxter Colleague Infusion Pumps
6/4/10	Recall of intravenous antibiotics manufacturer by Claris
6/11/10	FDA Class 1 recall – Defibtech DBP-2800 Battery Packs used in Lifeline AED and ReviveR AED
6/15/10	The Executive Director sent a fax blast announcing the new Network PSC
7/2/10	Class 1 Recall: LIFEPAK 20 and LIFEPAK 20e External Defibrillator/Monitors by Physio-Control Inc.: Class I Recall Due To Power Supply Failure.
8/3/10	2728 forms from CMS errors
8/6/10	Dialysis Facility Report: Reminder to register and review DFRs
8/16/10	Midodrine hydrochloride: FDA Proposes Withdrawal of Low Blood Pressure Drug
8/16/10	Free NKF patient event notice
8/27/10	Fingerstick Devices to Obtain Blood Specimens: Initial Communication - Risk of Transmitting Bloodborne Pathogens
9/1/10	Transition of Network Executive Directors
9/7/10	Tygacil (tigecycline): Label Change - Increased Mortality Risk
9/10/10	Fresenius Urgent Recall for AC Power Cords
9/20/10	Class 1 Recall: BagEasy Manual Resuscitation Devices by Westmed, Inc.
9/24/10	Amgen Initiates Voluntary Nationwide Recall of Certain Lots of EPOGEN(R) and PROCRIT(R) (Epoetin alfa)
9/29/10	Health Care Assistant Rule Change for Washington State Hemodialysis Technicians – Effective October 14, 2010
9/30/10	CROWNWeb Phase III Volunteers fax
10/6/10	Notice to Nurse Managers for the Great American Shake Out Earthquake Drill
10/29/10	B.Braun recalls possibly tainted heparin
11/12/10	Triton Pole Mount Infusion Pump by WalkMed: Recall - Potential Door Open Alarm Problem [Posted 11/08/2010]
11/15/10	Sigma Spectrum Infusion Pump Model 35700: Class 1 Recall
11/24/10	Network 16 Office Reopens Fax blast.
12/6/10	Correction: FDA issues class II recall for certain Fresenius peritoneal dialysis cyclers sets
12/14/10	Fax blast to introduce the new Network Executive Director
12/22/10	Abbott Glucose Test Strips: Recall - False Low Blood Glucose Results.