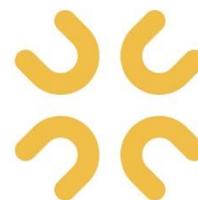


# Provider Bulletin

## News and Information



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### FDA Announces Recall of Magnesium Citrate Saline Laxative Oral Solution

On July 25, 2022, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced Vi-Jon, LLC has voluntarily recalled all lots of Magnesium Citrate Saline Laxative Oral Solution, 10 fl. oz. (296 mL) due to the presence of *Gluconacetobacter liquefaciens*. Immunocompromised patients who consume this product, may be at increased risk for invasive infections caused by *Gluconacetobacter liquefaciens* that could lead to serious, life-threatening adverse health consequences.

The following is a timeline of voluntary recalls:

- June 22 - Vi-Jon, LLC voluntarily recalled one lot of lemon flavor
- July 25 - Vi-Jon, LLC voluntarily expanded recall to all lots of all flavors
- August 4 - Vi-Jon, LLC voluntarily expanded recall to additional expiration dates

The product is manufactured and sold under various store brand names (such as CVS, Walgreens, GoodSense, Major and Up & Up). It is commonly used for relief of occasional constipation (irregularity) and generally produces a bowel movement in 30 minutes to six hours. The product is packaged in clear, round, 10 fl. oz. plastic bottles.

#### **What should patients who take the impacted product do?**

Patients should stop using and return any remaining product to the place of purchase. UCare sent letters to members who have filled a prescription in the past year. Consumers with questions regarding this recall can contact Vi-Jon, LLC by email ([Recalls@Vijon.com](mailto:Recalls@Vijon.com)) Monday - Friday, from 7:30am - 4:30pm, Central Time.

#### **What should prescribers do?**

Prescribers may consider prescribing a formulary alternative to magnesium citrate.

#### **Is UCare reaching out to impacted members and their providers?**

Yes, UCare's pharmacy department sent letters to members who have filled a prescription in the past year. These letters include information on how to return the product, and direct members to reach out to their prescriber for alternatives.

#### **Where can I find additional information?**

The FDA provides information on their website for healthcare professionals and patients. Go to the FDA website at [fda.gov](http://fda.gov) and search for "[magnesium citrate](#)."

#### **What if I have more questions?**

Call UCare's Provider Assistance Center at 612-676-3300 or 1-888-531-1493 toll-free, or visit [ucare.org/providers](http://ucare.org/providers).