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Attention: Manufacturers and Importers

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LABELLING REQUIREMENTS FOR SURGICAL SUTURES

National Drug Authority has noted with concern the importation of Absorbable and Non-absorbable Surgical Sutures which fail to meet the labelling requirements as per the Uganda Standard US1958-1, First Edition specifically with regards to the composition of the packaging fluid.

Section 8.2 of the standard states that, "if the sachets of sutures (packets or containers) are packaged in boxes, the boxes shall be labelled with the following:

- Name and address of the manufacturer/packer/distributor
- Name of the product
- Type of suture (Absorbable and Non-absorbable)
- Structure (Microfilament or Multifilament)
- Composition of any packaging fluid, if used;
- Batch Number; and
- "Sterile"

Therefore, manufacturers and importers of Absorbable and Non-absorbable Surgical Sutures are hereby notified to comply with the above labelling requirements on the primary and secondary packaging.

All consignments imported into the country without fulfilling the same will not be authorized effective 1st January 2022.


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