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## **Philips Recall Notification of CPAP**

On June 14, Philips Respironics issued a recall notification for an estimated 3-4 million bi-level PAP, CPAP and mechanical ventilator devices in response to potential health risks related to the sound abatement foam component in these devices.

Philips is advising patients using [affected](#) BiLevel PAP and CPAP devices to discontinue use of their device and work with their physician or DME provider to determine the most appropriate options for continued treatment.

Dr. Chad Witkow, a Clio dentist at Michigan Dental Sleep Center, provides oral appliance therapy to treat obstructive sleep apnea and is working with local physicians to ensure patients receive treatment during the recall.

“Sleep apnea significantly impacts daytime sleepiness and quality of life, and many patients rely on CPAP as a treatment,” said Dr. Witkow. “To ensure they continue to have treatment during this recall, those suffering from obstructive sleep apnea should know that oral appliance therapy is a proven, effective treatment option.”

Oral appliance therapy uses a mouth guard-like device worn only during sleep to maintain an open, unobstructed airway. Qualified dentists like Dr. Witkow are trained to provide a high level of care to patients, collaborate with physicians and manage follow-up care.

“Dentists trained in dental sleep medicine work in conjunction with physicians and recommend a specific oral appliance based on a patient’s personal needs,” said Dr. Witkow. “The important thing for patients to remember is that oral appliances should always be custom fit by a trained dentist who provides follow up care to ensure maximum effectiveness.”

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