

COMPANY STATEMENT

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Update: Allocations for BD's EnCor Enspire™ Vacuum Assisted Breast Biopsy disposables will continue until the end of March with further stock updates in February to clarify plans beyond March.

Dear Valued Customer,

BD is committed to providing transparent communication about the products we manufacture to serve our customers and patients.

There are several factors that have led to a scarcity for BD's EnCor Enspire™ Vacuum Assisted Breast Biopsy disposable products across Europe, with particular impact in the UK. As we began to ramp up manufacturing of these products in anticipation of surge demand for a "return to normal" rate of breast cancer screenings following the COVID-19 pandemic, our primary manufacturing location was in an area that was hit hard by the COVID-19 Delta variant, which reduced our workforce and hindered our efforts to maximize production.

The COVID-19 impact on the global transportation industry has also created delays that are exacerbating the inventory recovery efforts, due to much longer transportation lead times.

We are taking additional steps to resume maximum production and allocate product to the areas most in need to help you care for your patients. The EnCor Enspire™ Vacuum Assisted Breast Biopsy disposables will remain on allocation until the end of March, we will provide a further update in February to clarify plans beyond March.

We apologise for the impact that this supply disruption is having on your ability to care for your patients. If you have any questions, we are ready to assist you. Please contact our Customer Services Team on: customer.services@bd.com or 01293 606643 or your local Representative who will handle or direct your enquiry appropriately.