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والرعاية الدوائية
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To:
THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF HEALTH SERVICES IN ALL GOVERNORATES
Commanding Officer, Armed Forces Hospital (Al Khoudh & Salalah)
Director General of Engineering Affairs, MOH
Director General of Royal Hospital
Director General of Khoula Hospital
Director General of Medical Supplies (MOH)
Director General of Pvt. Health Est. Affairs (to kindly arrange distribution to all Pvt. Hospitals)
Hospital Director (Al Nahda Hospital)
Hospital Director (Al Massara Hospital)
The Head of Medical Services in SQU Hospital
The Head of Medical Services in Royal Oman Police
The Head of Medical Services in Ministry of Defence
The Head of Medical Services in The Diwan
The Head of Medical Services in The Sultan's Special Force
The Head of Medical Services in Internal Security Services
The Head of Medical Services in Petroleum Development of Oman
The Head of Medical Services in LNG Oman
ALL PRIVATE PHARMACIES & DRUG STORES

After Compliments,

Please find attached our Circular No.....^{٩٠٦}..... dated 20.1.2020 Regarding WHO

recall of in vitro diagnostics (IVDs) to detect SARS-CoV-2 (originally called 2019-nCoV) test kits

Copy to:

- Director, Office of H.E. The Undersecretary for Health Affairs
- Director of Medical Device Control, DGPA&DC
- Director of Pharmacovigilance & Drug Information Dept, DGPA&DC
- Director of Drug Control Department, DGPA&DC
- Director of Pharmaceutical Licensing Department, DGPA&DC
- Director of Central Quality Control Lab., DGPA&DC
- Supdt. of Central Drug Information

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Safety Alerts in vitro diagnostics (2019-nCoV) from:- World Health Organization

Source	World Health Organization https://www.who.int/diagnostics_laboratory/EUL/en
Product	In Vitro Diagnostics (IVDs) to detect SARS-CoV-2 (originally called 2019-nCoV) test kits
Manufacturer	None
The affected products	None
Reason	World Health Organization is receiving continued reports of substandard/falsified test kits Claiming to diagnose COVID-19 or to detect SARS-CoV-2 or SARS-CoV-2 specific antibodies.
Action	1- The World Health Organization recommends not to purchase equipment Imitations to check (COVID-19) or (SARS-CoV-2) via the Internet and from unknown sources. 2- Purchase the above products from reliable sources Such as legal manufacturers or authorized agent. 3- Read the usage instructions carefully to understand usage intended for the product.
comments	Healthcare professionals are encouraged to report any adverse events Suspected to be associated with the above device or any other medical Device to department of Medical Device Control contact E-mail: Med-device@moh.gov.om

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