

# Lead Inhalation Alert: Tap Water in Medical Devices



**USE DISTILLED WATER  
IN MEDICAL DEVICES**

Due to the state of emergency with the City of Flint's water, we are reminding patients to use distilled water in their medical devices for humidification; i.e., oxygen, PAPs, ventilators, etc. According to the CDC, "Approximately 95% of deposited inorganic lead that is inhaled is absorbed."

<http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxguides/toxguide-13.pdf>

As a precaution, Hart Medical Equipment and The Salvation Army have partnered to provide bottled water for patients who cannot afford to purchase distilled water for their medical devices who live within the City of Flint at 48502, 48503, 48504, 48505, 48506, 48507, or 48532. Water can be picked up from:

**Hart Medical Equipment**  
2316 South Ballenger Hwy, Suite L  
Flint, MI 48532  
(810) 406 4444  
Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

You do not have to be a Hart Medical Equipment patient. Water is being provided by The Salvation Army, as long as supplies last. If you would like to make a financial donation, please call The Salvation Army at (810) 232 2199. Thank you.

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