



Supply Chain Resource Council (SCRC) Report

April 14, 2025

Executive Summary

This month's Supply Chain Resource Council report highlights the ongoing advocacy by the AHA for tariff exemptions on health care products. Additionally, the report addresses bill-only fees charged by implant vendors and legislative efforts in multiple states to remove DEHP and PVC from IV bags and tubing.

Details can be found in the full report below, and on the Supply Chain Resource Council webpage.

▲ AHA Updates

• The AHA continues to advocate for exemptions from tariffs on health care devices and supplies. A recent article in *Modern Healthcare* featured Akin Demehin, AHA's new Vice President of Quality and Patient Safety Policy, discussing the ongoing efforts to exempt health care products from tariffs.

▲ Field Updates

- **Tariffs:** Organizations have begun receiving notifications of tariff-related price increases. One distributor's price adjustments will take effect June 1, 2025. Some organizations are pushing back, sending out price increase and surcharge rejection letters to these trading partners. These organizations shared their letters with AHRMM. All organizational specific information was removed, and draft template letters were created and shared with the Council members.
- Philips issued a correction notice for their Monitoring Service Application used with Mobile Cardiac Telemetry (MCOT) and Event Monitor Devices. Links to the FDA Alerts are listed below:
 - Outpatient Telemetry Correction: Philips Issues Correction for Monitoring Service Application used with Mobile Cardiac Outpatient Telemetry Due to Potential for Missed Information or Notifications That May Impact Patient Care Impact | FDA
 - FDA announces recall after Philips heart monitors failed to send alerts-multiple deaths reported

Information requested from the field: Are your hospitals or health systems experiencing any operational or patient care issues associated with this correction notice? As always, any information shared will be aggregated and blinded.

- **Bill Only Fees:** Implant vendors are charging bill-only fees for trays brought in for surgical procedures. Organizations are addressing these fees contractually and pushing back where possible.
- Other states are following California's AB 2300 legislation to remove DEHP and PVC from IV bags and tubing including North Carolina, New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Massachusetts. Detailed information is listed below:
 - North Carolina House Bill 592 Introduced on March 31, 2025 by Representative Tim Reeder. Also known as the Toxic-Free Medical Devices Act of 2025. The bill bans the manufacture, sale and distribution of IV bags made with intentionally added DEHP in North Carolina, beginning in January 2030. Further, the bill bans IV tubing made with intentionally added DEHP beginning in 2035.

- New York Assembly Bill A02133 Introduced on Jan 15, 2025 by Assemblymember Linda Rosenthal. Also known as the Toxic-Free Medical Device Act, the bill would prohibit the sale and manufacture of IV solution containers and tubing containing DEHP starting January 1, 2026, and a subsequent ban on DEHP-containing tubing starting January 1, 2031. [Note: The sponsor is expected to amend the legislation to push back the effective dates and include bans on PVC.]
- Pennsylvania Legislation In the coming weeks, State Senator Lisa Boscola is expected to reintroduce her legislation restricting the use of IV bags and tubing containing DEHP (see 2024 news release). A companion bill will also be introduced in the State House of Representatives by Rep. Bridget Kosierowski. The requirements in these bills are expected to be similar to CA AB2300.
- There are ongoing discussions about similar legislation being introduced in Michigan and Massachusetts.

Supply Chain Watch

- *MedWatch* is the FDA's medical product safety reporting program for health professionals, patients and consumers. *Medwatch* receives reports from the public and when appropriate, publishes safety alerts for FDA-regulated products such as:
 - Prescription and over-the-counter medicines
 - Biologics such as blood components, blood/plasma derivatives and gene therapies.
 - Medical devices such as hearing aids, breast pumps, and pacemakers.
 - **Combination products** such as pre-filled drug syringe, metered-dose inhalers and nasal spray.
 - Special nutritional products such as medical foods and infant formulas.
 - **Cosmetics** such as moisturizers, makeup, shampoos, hair dyes and tattoos.
 - **Food** such as beverages and ingredients added to foods.

About the Supply Chain Resource Council (SCRC)

The Supply Chain Resource Council (SCRC) is comprised of over 100 supply chain and health care leaders from across the field with the goal of understanding the extent and impact supply shortages and disruptions are having within the hospital and patient care settings, as well as a capturing and documenting solutions to these challenges. A report is created from the information collected during these calls and shared with AHA, AHRMM and Professional Management Group (PMG) senior leaders, various Federal Agencies and the broader health care field. *The content of this report represents information, strategies and solutions from SCRC members but does not necessarily reflect policy positions of the AHA*.



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