

Zoll AED Plus Defibrillator Recalled

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The device company Zoll Medical Corporation is recalling AED Plus Defibrillators that were manufactured between May 2004 and February 2009. Some of the batteries in these devices may not work properly, and the original self-test software cannot adequately detect defective batteries. And so these devices could fail to deliver a shock to a patient during sudden cardiac arrest. The affected devices have serial numbers whose last six digits are below 200000. If you have a device with such a serial number, you should upgrade the software to version 5.32. The company says the new software will allow the defibrillators to monitor the performance of the batteries through periodic self testing. If the software detects defective batteries, the device will prompt users to install fresh batteries. The new software can be ordered or downloaded from the company.

Additional Information:

FDA MedWatch Safety Alert. Zoll AED Plus Defibrillator. April 9, 2009.
<http://www.fda.gov/Safety/MedWatch/SafetyInformation/SafetyAlertsforHumanMedicalProducts/ucm134068.htm>

Zoll Medical Corporation. Zoll AED Plus Device Corrective Action.
<http://www.ZOLLAEDPlusbatteryhelp.com>