



21 January 2020

Dear Healthcare Professional,

MSD, the manufacturer of GARDASIL® 9 Vaccine, has identified a technical issue related to the 'tear-off' labels on the syringe for the recently manufactured batches. The 'tear-off' labels, printed with the batch number and expiry date, are to be placed in the patient's vaccination record or card. It is recently identified that the removal of the 'tear-off' labels from the syringe has compromised the legibility of the batch number and expiry date. The impacted batch of GARDASIL® 9 is:

Batch Number	Expiry Date
S035815	06.2022

Medsafe has been consulted about this issue and has concurred with:

- Distribution of this batch to ensure continuity of supply.
- **MSD recommendation to Healthcare Professionals not to remove the tear-off labels from the syringe** but instead to clearly write down the batch number and expiry date for the product administered in the patient's vaccination record or on the vaccination card.

MSD provides reassurance that there are no quality issues with the product and MSD is actively working to rectify this issue.

Should you have any questions, please contact our distributor Seqirus' Medical Information Department on 0800 502 757.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lucia Asali".

Dr Lucia Asali  
Executive Director Regulatory Affairs MSD