

IMPORTANT PRODUCT INFORMATION

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To: Director of Clinical/Radiology Risk Manager/Hospital Administrator Director of Biomedical Engineering

RE: 1.5T Express Head Neck Array Coil Surface Temperature

Please ensure that all potential users in your facility are made aware of this notification and the recommended actions.

Issue GE Healthcare has become aware of a condition in the system software that could potentially lead

to the 1.5T Express 16ch Head Neck Array Coil surface temperature exceeding regulatory limits, as defined by IEC60601-1, in the absence of appropriate patient padding as directed by the Operator

Manual.

Instructions Observe existing Operator Manual instructions and warnings ensuring non-conductive padding is

placed between the surface coil and the patient when using the coil configuration with the

Adapter Block.

Affected Product Details The following products are affected, when used with the 1.5T Express 16ch Head Neck Array Coil with Adapter Block (see Figure 1 for configuration with adapter block).

SIGNA Explorer 1.5T

Optima MR360 1.5T

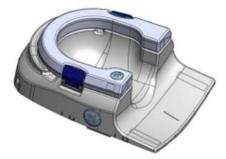


Figure 1. 1.5T Express 16ch Head Neck Array Coil configuration with adapter block

Product Correction GE Healthcare will correct all affected products at no cost to you. A GE Healthcare representative will contact you to arrange for the correction.

Contact Information

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this notification, please contact GE Healthcare Service or your local Service Representative.

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Please be assured that maintaining a high level of safety and quality is our highest priority. If you have any questions, please contact us immediately per the contact information above.

Sincerely,

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