

# COMPANY STATEMENT



**January 8, 2020**

## **BD Update on Backorders of Certain Urology & Critical Care Products**

As previously communicated, certain Urology and Critical Care products are experiencing a backorder situation, initially due to shortages of silicone catheters and longer than normal holds at the U.S. border by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). While we continue to produce all products and work through the longer border-crossing transit times, backordered products have increased due to reduced throughput at BD's sterilization facilities in Georgia as part of BD's agreement with the state. Customers should expect longer than normal timing to fulfill backordered products. As backordered product is sterilized, customer orders are processed and filled in the order they were received. There is more than sufficient supply to meet current backorders as product moves through the sterilization process.

We apologize for this inconvenience and appreciate your patience as we work diligently to minimize customer impact from this situation. Customers can contact their BD/Bard sales representative for the most up-to-date information and status on backordered products.

Non-sterile products, including PureWick Female External Catheters, the DigniShield Stool Management System and individual packaged StatLock Foley Stabilization Devices, are not affected by the reduction in sterilization throughput.

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