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Urgent Field Safety Notice
Instinct Plus Endoscopic Clipping Device

For Attention of: Chief Executive / Risk Management / Purchasing / Procurement Officer

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Information on Affected Devices	
1.	1. Device Type(s) Instinct Plus Endoscopic Clipping Device is a long-term, non-bioabsorbable gastrointestinal endoscopic clip.
1.	2. Commercial name(s) Instinct Plus Endoscopic Clipping Device
1.	3. Primary clinical purpose of device(s) Instinct Plus Endoscopic Clipping Device is intended for endoscopic clip placement within the gastrointestinal tract for the purpose of: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Endoscopic marking, 2. Hemostasis for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mucosal/submucosal defects less than 3 cm, • Bleeding ulcers, • Arteries less than 2 mm, • Polyps less than 1.5 cm in diameter, • Diverticula in the colon, and • Prophylactic clipping to reduce the risk of delayed bleeding post lesion resection, 3. Anchoring to affix jejunal feeding tubes to the wall of the small bowel, 4. As a supplementary method for closure of GI tract luminal perforations less than 20 mm that can be treated conservatively, 5. Anchoring to affix fully covered esophageal self-expanding metal stents to the wall of the esophagus in patients with fistulas, leaks, perforations, or disunion.
1.	4. Device Model/Catalogue/part number(s) INSC-P-7-230-S/G58010
1.	5. Affected serial or lot number range This FSN is not specific to lot number.



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Reason for Field Safety Corrective Action (FSCA)	
2.	<p>1. Description of the product problem</p> <p>Cook Medical has received reports of a malfunction that occurs when the user attempts to open the clip jaws by actuating the handle. The malfunction that may occur is the clip housing detaching from the catheter attachment and the clip remaining attached to the drive wire. Please see Figure 1 for a visual representation of the malfunction. The clip will extend from the catheter, but it will remain attached to the internal drive wire instead of opening the clip jaws. The clip cannot be opened if this occurs.</p>  <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Figure 1</i></p> <p><u>This action is not a removal of devices from the field. You may continue to use these devices, taking these risk mitigation actions into consideration:</u></p> <p>The Instructions for Use states: “Precaution – Do not continue to pull handle spool beyond tactile resistance as this may prematurely deploy clip” and “With clip closed and without holding handle spool advance device in small increments into accessory channel of gastroscope, duodenoscope, or colonoscope... Holding handle spool during clip advancement may prematurely deploy clip.”</p> <p>1. The user should follow the Instruction for Use for proper preparation and use of the device. Specifically:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm the device opens and closes appropriately prior to advancing through the endoscope. When advancing through the endoscope the user should not hold the handle spool (white portion of handle). Although designed to reopen after closure on tissue, reopening may cause this malfunction to occur if the clip is partially deployed during the process of closing onto the tissue.
2.	<p>2. Hazard giving rise to the FSCA</p> <p>Potential adverse effects to the patient that may occur if the clip does not deploy as intended are injury (bleeding, laceration, perforation, etc.) to the patient requiring additional interventions. Potential adverse effects to the patient that may occur if there is a significant delay in the hemostasis procedure are additional interventions or medications needed to stabilize the patient, bleeding requiring additional hemostasis, surgical intervention hospitalization, or death. Additionally, the device failure may result in inability to open the clip, deployment of the clip without being attached to tissue, or the malfunction could be recognizable prior to use and the device would be replaced with an insignificant delay in procedure and the potential for injury unlikely.</p>



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2.	3. Probability of problem arising	
	The probability of this incident occurring is occasional.	
2.	4. Predicted risk to patient/users	
	The current performance supports a risk level of negligible to low with a worst-case potential risk of high.	
2.	5. Background on Issue	
	Cook Endoscopy, as a United States-based manufacturer, is bringing heightened awareness to Instinct Plus users of the potential malfunction as described above in Section 2.1. We have identified that the root causes of this malfunction are related to the handling of the device, as well as manufacturing processes. This malfunction can occur when the user holds the device by the handle spool, which can damage the internal device components. The current IFU language in section 2.1 addresses appropriate handling of the device. In addition, internal action has been initiated to address the manufacturing processes.	
Type of Action to mitigate the risk		
3.	1. Action To Be Taken by the User	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Take note of the reinforcement of Instructions For Use (IFU) as described in Section 2.1. <input type="checkbox"/> Complete the enclosed Reply Form.	
3.	2. By when should the action be completed?	Within five (5) business days of receipt.
3.	3. Is customer Reply Required? *	Yes, within five (5) business days of receipt.
3.	4. By when should the action be completed?	Within five (5) business days of receipt.
3.	5. Is the FSN required to be communicated to the patient /lay user?	No

General Information		
4.	1. FSN Type	New
4.	2. Further advice or information already expected in follow-up FSN?	No



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4.	3. Manufacturer information (For contact details of local representative refer to page 1 of this FSN)	
	a. Company Name	Cook Endoscopy/Wilson-Cook Medical, Inc.
	b. Address	4900 Bethania Station Road, Winston-Salem, NC USA
4.	4. The Competent (Regulatory) Authority of your country has been informed about this communication to customers.	
4.	5. Name/Signature	 Blair Younts Team Lead, Regulatory Reporting & Field Actions

	Transmission of this Field Safety Notice
	<p>This notice needs to be passed on all those who need to be aware within your organisation or to any organisation where the potentially affected devices have been transferred.</p> <p>Please transfer this notice to other organisations on which this action has an impact.</p> <p>Please maintain awareness on this notice and resulting action for an appropriate period to ensure effectiveness of the corrective action.</p> <p>Please report all device-related incidents to the manufacturer, distributor or local representative, and the national Competent Authority if appropriate, as this provides important feedback.</p>