

ATTENTION CONTACT LENS WEARERS

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Thought I'd share this in case anyone uses this product:

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Early Report of Serious Eye Infections

Associated with Soft Contact Lens Solution

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), collaborating with the Food and Drug Administration, state and other partners, has identified an outbreak of a serious but rare eye infection called *Acanthamoeba* keratitis (AK). This infection is caused by a free-living amoeba (*Acanthamoeba*) a microscopic organism found everywhere in nature. Infections can result in permanent visual impairment or blindness. AK primarily affects otherwise healthy people, most of whom wear contact lenses. In the United States, an estimated 85% of cases of this infection occur in contact lens users. The incidence of the disease in the U.S. is approximately one to two cases per million contact lens users.

CDC has received reports of 138 cases of culture-confirmed AK in 35 states and Puerto Rico, with complete patient data available for 46 case-patients. Thirty-nine of the 46 case-patients wore soft contact lenses. Preliminary information obtained by CDC from patient interviews indicates that, among soft contact lens users who reported the use of any type of solution, 21 (58%) reported having used Advanced Medical Optics (AMO) CompleteR MoisturePlus™ Multi-Purpose Solution in the month prior to symptom onset. Out of the 37 case-patients for whom clinical data was available, 9 (24%) failed medical therapy and required or are expected to undergo corneal transplantation.

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Based on these findings people who wear soft contact lenses who use Advanced Medical Optics (AMO) CompleteR MoisturePlus™ Multi-Purpose Solution should:

Stop using the product immediately and discard all remaining solution including partially used or unopened bottles. Choose an alternative contact lens solution.

Discard current lens storage container.

Discard current pair of soft lenses.

See a health care provider if experiencing any signs of eye infection: Eye pain, eye redness, blurred vision, sensitivity to light, sensation of something in the eye, or excessive tearing.

All contact lens users should closely follow prevention measures to help prevent eye infections, which include

- a.. See an eye care professional for regular eye examinations.
- b.. Wear and replace contact lenses according to the schedule prescribed by an eye care professional.
- c.. Remove contact