

**PERITONEAL DIALYSIS PATIENTS**  
**Information for patients treated by the**  
**Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham Only**

**PD Product Update: 07/09/2018**

I am sure PD Patients have all discovered by now Baxter's no longer supply Steripods, the plastic tubes containing treated distilled water for exist site cleansing. They have been replaced by Normasol that is the same thing but in a sachet.

I found these very hard to work with. You need to set aside 2 or 3 Topper swabs, leave the rest in the plastic cover they come in and soak them with the Normasol. The problem I had it was difficult to control how much liquid went into the topper swab. With the Steripod Tubes it was easy to judge.

I found an equivalent to Steripods on line. Same solution in a plastic tube and half the price. Emergency Sterile Eye & Wound Wash at £7.30 for a box of 25. I have shown these to a number of nurses in CAPD and they are happy that it is the same solution and ok for me to use as a substitute.

CAPD also have a sample of this new style Steripod and plan to discuss it with Baxter's. Maybe in the future we will see the plastic tubes back in place of sachets.

If you have any comments of the products provided for your PD or any useful advice being on CAPD or APD, maybe you have learned a few tricks over the years that may help others on PD, please feel free to email me [teljones137@outlook.com](mailto:teljones137@outlook.com). I will pass on all your comment to CAPD and publish any suggestion you have on line.

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