As you may have heard, on November 2, 2017, Kidde issued a recall on several of their fire extinguishers. The fire extinguishers can become clogged or require excessive force to discharge and can fail to activate during a fire emergency. In addition, the nozzle can detach with enough force to pose an impact hazard.

If a licensed provider has a Kidde fire extinguisher in the home, the provider should contact Kidde to determine if their extinguisher is part of the recall. Here is contact information:

**Consumer Contact:**
Kidde toll-free at 855-271-0773 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. ET Saturday and Sunday, or online at [www.kidde.com](http://www.kidde.com) and click on “Product Safety Recall” for more information.

If an extinguisher is determined to be affected by the recall, Kidde will send the consumer a replacement fire extinguisher which should ship within 10-15 days of submission. Kidde recommends the consumer to retain their existing fire extinguisher until the replacement has been received. Upon receipt of the new fire extinguisher, Kidde will provide instructions on what to do with the affected fire extinguisher.

DHS is recommending that providers check their extinguisher(s) to determine if they are affected by the recall. If their extinguisher is affected, DHS recommends that providers follow the instructions provided by Kidde. If a provider chooses to purchase an additional fire extinguisher while they wait to receive their new one from Kidde, they may do so but are not required to purchase a new one.

Please share this information with your providers.