

# **Regulatory Education for Industry (REdI) Fall 2016 Conference (September 27th-28th, 2016)**

## **Prescribing Information: Resources and Review Process**

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# Overview of Presentation



- Prescribing Information: Physician Labeling Rule (PLR) Format vs. Non-PLR Format
- Updating Labeling
- Labeling Resources
- Labeling Review Process

# Prescribing Information

# Labels vs. Labeling<sup>1</sup>



- Labels: a display of written, printed, or graphic matter upon the immediate container of any article. For example:
  - Container label
- Labeling: all labels and other written, printed, or graphic matters upon any article (or its containers or wrappers) or accompanying the article. Examples include:
  - FDA-approved patient labeling
  - Carton/container labeling
  - Prescribing information

<sup>1</sup> See Section 201, Chapter II, (k) and (m) of Food Drug and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act)

# Prescribing Information (PI)



- Written for healthcare providers and must:<sup>1</sup>
  - Contain a summary of essential scientific information needed for safe and effective use of the **human prescription drug or biological product**
  - Be informative and accurate and neither promotional in tone nor false or misleading
  - Be updated when new information becomes available that causes labeling to become inaccurate, false, or misleading
- Also known as “package insert”; however, FDA recommends using term “prescribing information”

<sup>1</sup> 21 CFR 201.56(a)(1) and (2)

# Non-PLR (“Old”) Labeling Format<sup>1</sup>

Boxed Warning  
Description  
Clinical Pharmacology  
Indications and Usage  
Contraindications  
Warnings  
Precautions  
    General  
    Information for Patients  
    Laboratory Tests  
    Drug Interactions  
    Drug/Laboratory Test  
        Interactions  
    Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis,  
        Impairment of Fertility  
  
    Pregnancy  
    Labor and Delivery  
    Nursing Mothers  
    Pediatric Use  
    Geriatric Use  
Adverse Reactions  
Drug Abuse and Dependence  
Overdosage  
Dosage and Administration  
How Supplied

- Limited format requirements
- **Not** included:
  - Concise summary of important information
  - Table of Contents
  - Numbered sections or subsections
- Information **not** ordered according to clinical relevance

<sup>1</sup> See 44 FR 37434 (June 26, 1979); 21 CFR 201.80

# Development of the Physician Labeling Rule<sup>1</sup>

- Starting in 1992, FDA organized national physician survey, focus groups, and open public meeting to understand how healthcare prescribers use PI
  - What information is most important
  - How labeling could be improved
  - How labeling information was accessed
- Developed prototype PI
- Published Proposed Rule in 2000
- Published Final Rule in 2006

<sup>1</sup> See 65 FR 81082 (December 22, 2000) and 71 FR 3922 (January 24, 2006)

# Physician Labeling Rule (PLR)<sup>1</sup>



January 2006 PLR amended regulations about format and content of PI

## Rationale:

- Ensure PI contains necessary information for safe and effective use of product
- Make information easier for healthcare providers to access, read, and use
- Reduce medication errors

<sup>1</sup> Final Rule (PLR) "Requirements on Content and Format of Labeling for Human Prescription Drug and Biological Products" 71 FR 3922 (January 24, 2006)



# PLR Highlights and Table of Contents

## HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

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PROPRIETARY NAME (non-proprietary name) dosage form, route of administration, controlled substance symbol  
Initial U.S. Approval: YYYY

### WARNING: TITLE OF WARNING

See full prescribing information for complete boxed warning.

- Text (4)
- Text (5.x)

### RECENT MAJOR CHANGES

Section Title, Subsection Title (x.x) M/201Y  
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Limitations of Use: Text (1)

### DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

- Text (2.x)
- Text (2.x)

### DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

Dosage form(s): strength(s) (3)

### CONTRAINDICATIONS

- Text (4)
- Text (4)

### WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- Text (5.x)
- Text (5.x)

### ADVERSE REACTIONS

Most common adverse reactions (incidence > x%) are text (6.x)

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact name of manufacturer at toll-free phone # or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or [www.fda.gov/medwatch](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch).

### DRUG INTERACTIONS

- Text (7.x)
- Text (7.x)

### USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

- Text (8.x)
- Text (8.x)

See 17 for PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION and FDA-approved patient labeling OR Medication Guide.

Revised: M/201Y

## FULL PRESCRIBING INFORMATION: CONTENTS\*

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# PLR Implementation<sup>1</sup>



- Applications subject to PLR labeling requirements:
  - NDA, BLA, or ES approved on or after June 30, 2001\*
  - Overall excellent compliance with PLR submission schedule!
  
- CDER highly encourages submission of voluntary PLR conversion labeling supplements:
  - NDA/BLA approved prior to June 30, 2001 (without an ES approved on or after June 30, 2001)

<sup>1</sup> Final Rule (PLR); 21 CFR 201.56(b and c)

NDA = New Drug Application; BLA = Biologics License Application; ES = efficacy supplement

# Prescription Drug and Biological Product Labeling in PLR Format<sup>1</sup>



~ **37%** of marketed drug and biological products approved under NDAs/BLAs/ANDAs have labeling in PLR format:

- BLAs = 90% (98/109)
- NDAs = 55% (1325/2430)
- ANDAs = 30% (2075/6833)

56% of branded drugs have PLR format labeling

ANDA = abbreviated new drug application

<sup>1</sup> Analysis does not include vaccine, plasma derivative, allergenic, and cellular therapy products; analysis conducted in December 31, 2015

# Updating Labeling

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## Application Holder's Responsibilities

- Should review labeling at least annually for outdated information<sup>1</sup>
- Labeling must be updated when new information becomes available that causes labeling to become inaccurate, false, or misleading<sup>2</sup>
  - “a drug ... shall be deemed to be misbranded .. (i)f its labeling is false or misleading in any particular”<sup>3</sup>

## Labeling Update Opportunities

- Encourage updates in multiple labeling type submissions (e.g., PLR conversions, efficacy supplements)

<sup>1</sup> Implementing PLR Content and Format Requirements Guidance; <sup>2</sup> 21 CFR 201.56(a)(2)

<sup>3</sup> FD&C Act [section 352(a) of the U.S.C.]

# Labeling Resources

# PLR Internet Site (1 of 4)

link

## PLR Requirements for Prescribing Information

<http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/LawsActsandRules/ucm084159.htm>

On January 24, 2006, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issued final regulations governing the content and format of prescribing information (PI) for human drug and biological products. The rule is commonly referred to as the "Physician Labeling Rule" (PLR) because it addresses prescription drug labeling that is used by prescribers and other health care providers.

The goal of the PLR content and format requirements as described at 21 CFR 201.56 and 201.57 is to enhance the safe and effective use of prescription drug products by providing health care providers with clear and concise PI that is easier to access, read, and use. The PLR format also makes PI more accessible for use with electronic prescribing tools and other electronic information resources.

PI submitted with new drug applications (NDAs), biologic license applications (BLAs), and efficacy supplements must conform to the content and format regulations found at 21 CFR 201.56 and 201.57. [The Labeling Development Team](#) works with review divisions to ensure PI conforms with the PLR. This page includes links to the Final Rule, regulations, related guidance documents, and additional labeling resources.

On December 3, 2014, the FDA published the Pregnancy and Lactation Labeling Rule (PLLR). The goal of the PLLR is to enhance the safe and effective use of prescription drug products in pregnant women, lactating women, and females and males of reproductive potential.

### PLR Final Rule and Labeling Requirements

- [Physician Labeling Rule](#)  
Requirements on content and format of labeling for human prescription drug and biological products, January 24, 2006 (Federal Register Notice)
- [21 CFR 201.56](#)  
Requirements on content and format of labeling for human prescription drug and biological products
- [21 CFR 201.57](#)  
PLR Labeling: Specific requirements on content and format of PLR labeling for human prescription drug and biological products described in § 201.56(b)(1)
- [21 CFR 201.80](#)  
Older drugs: Specific requirements on content and format of labeling for human prescription drug and biological products; older drugs not described in § 201.56(b)(1)

PLR and PLR regulations

Labeling databases

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The drug labels and other drug-specific information on this Web site represent the most recent drug listing information companies have submitted to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). (See 21 CFR part 207.) The drug labeling and other information has been reformatted to make it easier to read but its content has neither been altered nor verified by FDA. The drug labeling on this Web site may not be the labeling on currently distributed products or identical to the labeling that is approved. Most OTC drugs are not reviewed and approved by FDA, however they may be marketed if they comply with applicable regulations and policies described in monographs. Drugs marked "OTC monograph final" or "OTC monograph not final" are not checked for conformance to the monograph. Drugs marked "unapproved medical gas", "unapproved homeopathic" or "unapproved drug other" on this Web site have not been evaluated by FDA for safety and efficacy and their labeling has not been approved. In addition, FDA is not aware of scientific evidence to support homeopathy as effective.

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The labels are also available on the National Library of Medicine's [DailyMed](#) web site. You can search for labels by drug name and link to the Library's information resources about marketed drugs.

# DailyMed

<https://dailymed.nlm.nih.gov/dailymed/index.cfm>



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This website contains **89957** drug listings as submitted to the **Food and Drug Administration (FDA)**.

At the present time, this Web site does not contain a complete listing of labels for approved prescription drugs.

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Posted: September 13, 2016

Update: 2016 DailyMed/RxNorm Jamboree Workshop scheduled for September 27

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# How Labeling is Different on Drugs@FDA vs. DailyMed and labels.fda.gov

	Drugs@FDA	DailyMed and Labels.fda.gov
Format	PDF	SPL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hyperlinks</li> <li>• Allows indexing</li> </ul>
Type of PI	Last FDA-approved PI	Most up-to-date labeling submitted to FDA
Includes recent PI updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual reportable changes</li> <li>• Pending CBE-0 labeling supplements</li> </ul>	No	Yes
Includes previously approved labeling, regulatory history, and FDA reviews	Yes	No
Includes other types of labeling	Patient labeling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Patient labeling</li> <li>• Carton/container labeling</li> </ul>
FDA reviews labeling	Always	Generally no

CBE = Changes Being Effected

PDF = Portable Document Format; SPL = Structured Product Labeling

# PLR Internet Site (2 of 4)



## Labeling Guidances

- [Implementing the PLR Content and Format Requirements \(PDF - 527KB\)](#)
- [Labeling for Human Prescription Drug and Biological Products Approved Under the Accelerated Approval Regulatory Pathway \(draft\) \(PDF - 169KB\)](#) **new**
- [Dosage and Administration Section of Labeling \(PDF - 163KB\)](#)
- [Warnings and Precautions, Contraindications, and Boxed Warning Sections of Labeling \(PDF - 102KB\)](#)
- [Adverse Reactions Section of Labeling \(PDF - 52KB\)](#)
- [Drug Interaction Studies--Study Design, Data Analysis, Implications for Dosing, and Labeling Recommendations \(draft\) \(PDF - 827KB\)](#)
- [Pregnancy, Lactation, and Reproductive Potential: Labeling for Human Prescription Drug and Biological Products-Content and Format \(draft\) \(PDF - 208KB\)](#) **new**
- [Pediatric Information Incorporated Into Human Prescription Drug and Biological Products Labeling \(draft\) \(PDF - 115KB\)](#)
- [Clinical Pharmacology Section of Labeling \(draft\) \(PDF - 117KB\)](#)
- [Pharmacokinetics in Patients with Impaired Renal Function — Study Design, Data Analysis, and Impact on Dosing and Labeling \(draft\) \(PDF - 319KB\)](#)
- [Clinical Studies Section of Labeling \(PDF - 127KB\)](#)
- [Patient Counseling Information Section of Labeling \(PDF - 91KB\)](#) **new**
- [Labeling for Biosimilar Products \(draft\) \(PDF - 143KB\)](#) **new**
- [CDER Guidances \(Drugs\)](#)

Refer to this page for other guidances that contain labeling recommendations and product-specific guidances.

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New labeling presentations

Sample PLR template now in Word format

## Sample Templates and Format Labeling Tools

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# Sample Template: Highlights



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PROPRIETARY NAME (non-proprietary name) dosage form, route of administration, controlled substance symbol  
Initial U.S. Approval: YYYY

### WARNING: TITLE OF WARNING

*See full prescribing information for complete boxed warning.*

- Text (4)
- Text (5.x)

## RECENT MAJOR CHANGES

Section Title, Subsection Title (x.x) M/201Y  
Section Title, Subsection Title (x.x) M/201Y

## INDICATIONS AND USAGE

PROPRIETARY NAME is a (insert FDA established pharmacologic class text phrase) indicated for ... (1)

Limitations of Use: Text (1)

## DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

- Text (2.x)
- Text (2.x)

## DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

Dosage form(s): strength(s) (3)

## CONTRAINDICATIONS

- Text (4)
- Text (4)

## WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- Text (5.x)
- Text (5.x)

## ADVERSE REACTIONS

Most common adverse reactions (incidence > x%) are text (6.x)

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## DRUG INTERACTIONS

- Text (7.x)
- Text (7.x)

## USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

- Text (8.x)
- Text (8.x)

See 17 for PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION and FDA-approved patient labeling OR and Medication Guide.

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# Sample Template: Contents

## **FULL PRESCRIBING INFORMATION: CONTENTS\***

### **WARNING: TITLE OF WARNING**

#### **1 INDICATIONS AND USAGE**

#### **2 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION**

2.1 Subsection Title

2.2 Subsection Title

#### **3 DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS**

#### **4 CONTRAINDICATIONS**

#### **5 WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS**

5.1 Subsection Title

5.2 Subsection Title

#### **6 ADVERSE REACTIONS**

6.1 Clinical Trials Experience

6.2 Immunogenicity

6.2 or 6.3 Postmarketing Experience

#### **7 DRUG INTERACTIONS**

7.1 Subsection Title

7.2 Subsection Title

#### **8 USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS**

8.1 Pregnancy

8.2 Lactation (if not required to be in PLLR format use Labor and Delivery)

8.3 Females and Males of Reproductive Potential (if not required to be in PLLR format use Nursing Mothers)

8.4 Pediatric Use

8.5 Geriatric Use

8.6 Subpopulation X

#### **9 DRUG ABUSE AND DEPENDENCE**

9.1 Controlled Substance

9.2 Abuse

9.3 Dependence

#### **10 OVERDOSAGE**

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#### **14 CLINICAL STUDIES**

14.1 Subsection Title

14.2 Subsection Title

#### **15 REFERENCES**

#### **16 HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING**

#### **17 PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION**

\* Sections or subsections omitted from the full prescribing information are not listed.

**WARNING: TITLE OF WARNING**

- Text *[see Contraindications (4)]*
- Text *[see Warnings and Precautions (5.x)]*

# Sample Template: Full Prescribing Information (1 of 2)

## 1 INDICATIONS AND USAGE

PROPRIETARY NAME is indicated for ...

### Limitations of Use

## 2 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

2.1 Subsection Title (e.g., Administration Instructions)

2.2 Subsection Title (e.g., Recommended Dosage)

## 3 DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

Dosage form(s): strength(s)

## 4 CONTRAINDICATIONS

*[If no contraindications are known, this section must state "None."]*

## 5 WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

5.1 Subsection Title (e.g., Clinically Significant Adverse Reaction or Risk #1)

5.2 Subsection Title (e.g., Clinically Significant Adverse Reaction or Risk #2)

## 6 ADVERSE REACTIONS

*[If the source of adverse reactions (AR) cannot be determined (e.g., an older drug) consider eliminating numbered subsections (e.g., remove subsection 6.1 Clinical Trials Experience and 6.2 Postmarketing Experience) and including a list of AR preceded by a modified postmarketing caveat statement. For example, "The following adverse reactions associated with the use of drugoxide were identified in clinical trials or postmarketing reports. Because these reactions were reported voluntarily from a population of uncertain size, it is not always possible to estimate their frequency, reliably, or to establish a causal relationship to drug exposure."]*



The following clinically significant adverse reactions are described elsewhere in the labeling:

- Subsection Title [see Warnings and Precautions (5.1)]
- Subsection Title [see Warnings and Precautions (5.2)]

**6.1 Clinical Trials Experience**

Because clinical trials are conducted under widely varying conditions, adverse reaction rates observed in the clinical trials of a drug cannot be directly compared to rates in the clinical trials of another drug and may not reflect the rates observed in practice.

**6.2 Immunogenicity**

As with all therapeutic proteins, there is potential for immunogenicity. The detection of antibody formation is highly dependent on the sensitivity and specificity of the assay. Additionally, the observed incidence of antibody (including neutralizing antibody) positivity in an assay may be influenced by several factors including assay methodology, sample handling, timing of sample collection, concomitant medications, and underlying disease. For these reasons, comparison of the incidence of antibodies to [product proper name] in the studies described below with the incidence of antibodies in other studies or to other products may be misleading.

**6.2 Postmarketing Experience** (if no Immunogenicity subsection) OR **6.3 Postmarketing Experience** (if 6.2 is Immunogenicity)

The following adverse reactions have been identified during post approval use of drug X. Because these reactions are reported voluntarily from a population of uncertain size, it is not always possible to reliably estimate their frequency or establish a causal relationship to drug exposure.

**7 DRUG INTERACTIONS**

**7.1 Subsection Title**

**7.2 Subsection Title**

**8 USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS**

**8.1 Pregnancy**

*The following headings and subheadings are for use for labeling that is required to be in PLLR format.*

Pregnancy Exposure Registry (omit if not applicable)

Risk Summary (required heading)

Clinical Considerations (omit if none of the subheadings below are applicable)

*Disease-Associated Maternal and/or Embryo/Fetal Risk* (omit if not applicable)

*Dose Adjustments During Pregnancy and the Postpartum Period* (omit if not applicable)

*Maternal Adverse Reactions* (omit if not applicable)

*Fetal/Neonatal Adverse Reactions* (omit if not applicable)

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**Format (SRPI)  
resources**



# Selected Requirements of Prescribing Information (SRPI) Review

The Selected Requirements of Prescribing Information (SRPI) is a 41-item checklist of important format prescribing information (PI) items based on labeling regulations [21 CFR 201.56(d) and 201.57] and guidances. The word “must” denotes that the item is a regulatory requirement, while the word “should” denotes that the item is based on guidance. Each SRPI item is assigned with one of the following three responses:

- **NO:** The PI does not meet the requirement for this item (**deficiency**).
- **YES:** The PI meets the requirement for this item (**no deficiency**).
- **N/A:** This item does not apply to the specific PI under review (**not applicable**).

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## Highlights

See Appendix for a sample tool illustrating Highlights format.

### HIGHLIGHTS GENERAL FORMAT

1. Highlights (HL) must be in a minimum of 8-point font and should be in two-column format, with ½ inch margins on all sides and between columns.

**Comment:**

2. The length of HL must be one-half page or less unless (the HL Boxed Warning does not count against the one-half page requirement).

**Comment:**

3. A horizontal line must separate:
  - HL from the Table of Contents (TOC), **and**
  - TOC from the Full Prescribing Information (FPI).

# SRPI Review (1 of 2)

- 41 format items from regulations<sup>1</sup> and guidances
  - Items in Highlights, Table of Contents (TOC), and Full Prescribing Information (FPI)
- Prior to Submission: FDA correspondences recommend, **application holders**:
  - *“Use SRPI checklist to ensure PI conforms with format items in regulations and guidances”*

<sup>1</sup> 21 CFR 201.56 and 21 CFR 201.57

# SRPI Review (2 of 2)

- Beginning of Cycle SRPI: Performed by **CDER division** (e.g., RPM), within:
  - 74 days of submission of NDA, BLA, ES<sup>1</sup>
  - 60 days of receipt of PLR conversions
  
- End of Cycle SRPI: FDA correspondences recommend, **application holders**:
  - *“Use SRPI checklist to ensure PI conforms with format items in regulations and guidances”*

<sup>1</sup> CDER 21<sup>st</sup> Century Review Process – Desk Reference Guide  
RPM = Regulatory Project Manager

# Highlights (HL) References vs. Full Prescribing Information (FPI) Cross References

## HL References (SRPI Item #6)

Each summarized statement or topic in HL must reference section(s) or subsection(s) of FPI. Preferred format is numerical identifier in parenthesis:

- (1.1)
- (2.2, 5.3)

## FPI Cross-References (SRPI Item #32)

Correct: **section** heading followed by numerical identifier (all in italics)

- *[see Dosage and Administration (2.2) and Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)]*

Incorrect: (avoid subsection heading)

- ~~*[see Dosage Adjustments in Patients with Renal Impairment (2.2) and Pharmacokinetics (12.3)]*~~

## Established Pharmacologic Class (EPC) Resources

- [Determining the EPC for Use in Highlights MAPP \(PDF - 147KB\)](#)
- [Determining the EPC for Use in Highlights Guidance \(PDF - 65KB\)](#)
- [FDA EPC Text Phrases for Indications and Usage heading in Highlights \(updated August 2016\) \(PDF - 204KB\)](#)

Search for EPC of approved drugs (EPCs are terms or phrases associated with an approved indication of an active moiety, which FDA has determined to be scientifically valid and clinically meaningful).

## Additional Labeling Resources

- [Pregnancy and Lactation Labeling Final Rule](#)  
FDA published the final rule on providing information for the use of prescription drugs and biological products during pregnancy, during lactation, and in females and males of reproductive potential.
- [Structured Product Labeling Resources](#)  
SPL is the standard format for electronic submission of the content of labeling.



# How to Find FDA EPC Text Phrases

Active Moiety Name	<b>FDA Established Pharmacologic Class (EPC) Text Phrase</b> PLR regulations require that the following statement is included in the Highlights Indications and Usage heading if a drug is a member of an EPC [see 21 CFR 201.57(a)(6)]: “(Drug) is a (FDA EPC Text Phrase) indicated for [indication(s)].” For each listed active moiety, the associated FDA EPC text phrase is included in this document. For more information about how FDA determines the EPC Text Phrase, see the 2009 "Determining EPC for Use in the Highlights" guidance and 2013 "Determining EPC for Use in the Highlights" MAPP 7400.13.
dutasteride	5-alpha reductase inhibitor
finasteride	5-alpha reductase inhibitor
zileuton	5-lipoxygenase inhibitor
botulinum toxin type a	acetylcholine release inhibitor
rimabotulinumtoxinb	acetylcholine release inhibitor
guanidine	acetylcholine releasing agent
dactinomycin	actinomycin
regadenoson anhydrous	adenosine receptor agonist
adenosine	adenosine receptor agonist
regadenoson	adenosine receptor agonist
aminoglutethimide	adrenal steroid synthesis inhibitor
metirapone	adrenal steroid synthesis inhibitor
hydroxyamphetamine	adrenergic agonist
dipivefrin	adrenergic agonist
epinastine	adrenergic agonist
cosyntropin	adrenocorticotrophic hormone
corticotropin	adrenocorticotrophic hormone
disulfiram	aldehyde dehydrogenase inhibitor
eplerenone	aldosterone antagonist
spironolactone	aldosterone antagonist



# Labeling Review Process

# How FDA Reviews PI



- In response to application holder questions, FDA provides comments about draft PI before NDA/BLA submission
- Application holder submits an NDA/BLA that includes a draft PI that meets labeling regulatory requirements and is consistent with guidance recommendations
- FDA reviews PI upon submission and throughout review cycle
- FDA and application holder develop final PI
  - Iterative process of communications/discussions with both parties
- Final PI (PDF format) is approved by FDA and attached to approval letter

# Labeling Milestones: 10-Month Review Cycle for NDAs, BLAs, and ESs<sup>1</sup>

Month	Labeling Process
Pre-Submission	Pre-NDA/sNDA/BLA/sBLA communication to sponsor about labeling requirements
Month 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RPM SRPI (<u>format</u>) Review</li> <li>• Identify major labeling issues</li> </ul>
Month 3	Include Labeling Issues in 74-Day Letter
Month 5	Labeling Planning Meeting ( <u>high-level</u> content issues)
Months 7-8	Internal Labeling Meetings
Months 9-10	Labeling discussions with application holder (3-6 weeks prior to action)

<sup>1</sup> Derived from “CDER 21<sup>st</sup> Century Review Process: Desk Reference Guide”; review cycle length depends on priority vs. standard and PDUFA V Program status

# Early Labeling Review



Application holder is requested to resubmit labeling that addresses issues

Sections	Issue
DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dosage or administration instructions are disorganized or unclear (e.g., no subsections or tables for complicated dosage or administration)</li><li>• Includes information not related to dosage or administration</li></ul>
WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Does not include adequate description of warning</li><li>• Does not include steps to prevent, reduce, or monitor risk or adverse reaction</li></ul>
DRUG INTERACTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Drug interaction (DI) information is disorganized</li><li>• Does not include clinical implications or practical instructions for preventing and managing DI</li></ul>
PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Section not developed or missing</li></ul>

# Middle of Cycle Review<sup>1</sup>: High-Level Issues

Sections	High-Level Content Issue
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• BOXED WARNING</li><li>• INDICATIONS AND USAGE</li><li>• WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS</li></ul>	May contain inappropriate inconsistencies with other relevant PI
DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION	May not contain recommended starting dosage, titration, or maximum dosage
ADVERSE REACTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• May not describe appropriate safety database</li><li>• May include adverse events without any basis for a causal relationship between the drug and event</li></ul>
DRUG INTERACTIONS	Contains negative drug interactions that may not be clinically relevant
CLINICAL STUDIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• May imply or suggest indications/uses or dosing regimens that are not included in INDICATIONS AND USAGE and DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION sections, respectively</li><li>• May not contain adequate description of study design, results of important baseline disease characteristics, or definitions of endpoints</li></ul>

<sup>1</sup> These items may be discussed at a Labeling Planning Meeting

# Who Reviews the PI at FDA?<sup>1</sup>



CDER staff that <u>typically</u> review PI	Additional CDER staff that <u>may</u> review PI
Clinical (medical officers)	Division of Pharmacovigilance
Office of Clinical Pharmacology	Division of Risk Management (products with ETASU)
Pharmacology/toxicology	Office of Biostatistics
Maternal health team	Controlled Substance Staff (controlled substances)
Pediatric team	Clinical Microbiology (antimicrobial products)
Office of Pharmaceutical Quality	Labeling Development Team <sup>2</sup>
Division of Medication Error Prevention and Analysis	Clinical pharmacology labeling reviewers <sup>2</sup>
Regulatory project managers	Office of Biotechnology Products labeling reviewer (for biological products) <sup>2</sup>
Office of Prescription Drug Promotion	
Associate Directors for Safety	
Associate Directors for Labeling <sup>2</sup>	

<sup>1</sup> Review of human prescription drug and biological product PI regulated in CDER (different FDA staff review vaccine, plasma derivative, allergenic, and cellular therapy PI)

<sup>2</sup> Labeling specialists

ETASU = Elements to Assure Safe Use

# Associate Directors for Labeling (ADLs)<sup>1</sup>: Responsibilities



- Oversee and manage labeling review division activities such as review of:
  - PLR conversion labeling
  - NME and new therapeutic biologic product labeling
- Promote consistency in division labeling practices
- Help to ensure division labeling conform with labeling regulations, guidance, and policies and are:
  - Appropriately consistent within and across drug classes
  - Clinically meaningful and scientifically accurate
  - Clear and concise for healthcare providers

<sup>1</sup> Prescription drug review division ADLs; NME = new molecular entity

# Labeling Development Team (LDT)<sup>1</sup>



Previously known as SEALD<sup>2</sup> Labeling Team

- Assists in labeling review
- Provides oversight of labeling quality
- Provides labeling review training
- Develops and maintains labeling review resources
- Develops and implements labeling policy initiatives to promote consistency in labeling practices across CDER
- Leads labeling outreach to public

<sup>1</sup> LDT website: <http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/CentersOffices/OfficeofMedicalProductsandTobacco/CDER/ucm443026.htm>

<sup>2</sup> SEALD = Study Endpoints and Labeling Development



# **Questions for Audience**

**(choose the single correct answer)**

## Question #1: Labeling on Drugs@FDA and DailyMed have the following in common:

- a. Contain most up-to-date labeling submitted to FDA
- b. Include hyperlinks
- c. Usually include carton and container labeling
- d. Include previously approved labeling
- e. None of the above

## Question #2: When is an application holder required to update their prescribing information (PI)?:

- a. When information in the PI is inaccurate
- b. When information in the PI is misleading
- c. To include information from a recently completed post-marketing Phase 3 trial
- d. (a) and (b)
- e. (a), (b), and (c)

# Thank you!

