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Name of Committee: National Institute of General Medical Sciences Initial Review Group, Biomedical Research and Research Training Review Subcommittee B.

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Call for Participation in Pillbox Patient-Safety Initiative

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Library of Medicine (NLM) invites the participation of manufacturers, including repackers, and private label distributors of solid oral dosage form medications in the development of Pillbox, a publicly accessible online repository of digital images and descriptive information for solid oral dosage form medications. This project seeks to promote utilization of the SPLIMAGE element of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Structured Product Label (SPL) through development and use of imaging standards and methodologies. Through this Call for Participation, NLM seeks to evaluate the photography methodology and procedures it has developed for creating standardized high-resolution images of solid oral dosage form medications that are appropriate for inclusion in the SPL. Participating organizations will be invited to submit samples of their solid oral dosage form medications to NLM for imaging. Resulting image files will be provided to participants, who may choose to voluntarily include them in their subsequent SPL submissions to FDA. Image files that are voluntarily submitted to FDA as part of an SPL listing submission will be included in the publicly accessible, production version of Pillbox. This initiative is an important element of ongoing efforts to enhance patient safety, reduce adverse drug events, and improve the quality and availability of drug information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NLM has established Pillbox, an initiative to enhance patient safety, by making available via a publicly accessible resource (http://pillbox.nlm.nih.gov) digital images and descriptive data of...