

provides recommendations for the content of premarket submissions and labeling for such devices.

In the **Federal Register** of January 26, 2016 (81 FR 4303), FDA announced the availability of the draft of this guidance and interested persons were invited to comment by March 28, 2016. The comment period was extended on February 23, 2016 (81 FR 8966), to April 28, 2016. FDA has considered all of the public comments received in finalizing this guidance.

FDA recognizes and anticipates that the Agency and industry may need up to 60 days to perform activities to operationalize the policies within the guidance. If new information regarding device interoperability as outlined in this guidance is not included in a premarket submission received by FDA before or up to 60 days after the publication of this guidance, CDRH staff does not generally intend to request such information during the review of the submission. CDRH does, however, intend to review any such information if submitted.

II. Significance of Guidance

This guidance is being issued consistent with FDA's good guidance practices regulation (21 CFR 10.115). The guidance represents the current thinking of FDA on "Design Considerations and Premarket Submission Recommendations for Interoperable Medical Devices." It does not establish any rights for any person and is not binding on FDA or the public. You can use an alternative approach if it satisfies the requirements of the applicable statutes and regulations. This guidance is not subject to Executive Order 12866.

III. Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

This guidance refers to previously approved collections of information found in FDA regulations. These collections of information are subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520). The collections of information in 21 CFR part 820 have been approved under OMB control number 0910–0073; the collections of information in 21 CFR part 812 have been approved under OMB control number 0910–0078; the collections of information in 21 CFR part 807, subpart E, have been approved under OMB control number 0910–0120; the collections of information in 21 CFR part 814, subparts A through E, have been approved under OMB control number 0910–0231; the collections of information in 21 CFR part 814, subpart H have been approved under OMB

control number 0910–0332; the collections of information in 21 CFR part 601 have been approved under OMB control number 0910–0338; the collections of information in 21 CFR parts 801 and 809 have been approved under OMB control number 0910–0485; and the collections of information in 21 CFR parts 610 and 660 have been approved under OMB control number 0910–0338.

IV. Electronic Access

Persons interested in obtaining a copy of the guidance may do so by downloading an electronic copy from the Internet. A search capability for all Center for Devices and Radiological Health guidance documents is available at <https://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/DeviceRegulationandGuidance/GuidanceDocuments/default.htm>. Guidance documents are also available at <https://www.fda.gov/BiologicsBloodVaccines/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/default.htm> or <https://www.regulations.gov>. Persons unable to download an electronic copy of "Design Considerations and Premarket Submission Recommendations for Interoperable Medical Devices" may send an email request to CDRH-Guidance@fda.hhs.gov to receive an electronic copy of the document. Please use the document number 1500015 to identify the guidance you are requesting.

Dated: August 30, 2017.

Leslie Kux,

Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. FDA–2017–P–2496]

Determination That RITALIN LA (Methylphenidate Hydrochloride) Extended-Release Capsules, 60 Milligrams, Were Not Withdrawn From Sale for Reasons of Safety or Effectiveness

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or Agency) has determined that RITALIN LA (methylphenidate hydrochloride) extended-release capsules, 60 milligrams (mg), were not withdrawn from sale for reasons of safety or effectiveness. This determination will

allow FDA to approve abbreviated new drug applications (ANDAs) for methylphenidate hydrochloride extended-release capsules, 60 mg, if all other legal and regulatory requirements are met.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 1984, Congress enacted the Drug Price Competition and Patent Term Restoration Act of 1984 (Pub. L. 98–417) (the 1984 amendments), which authorized the approval of duplicate versions of drug products under an ANDA procedure. ANDA applicants must, with certain exceptions, show that the drug for which they are seeking approval contains the same active ingredient in the same strength and dosage form as the "listed drug," which is a version of the drug that was previously approved. ANDA applicants do not have to repeat the extensive clinical testing otherwise necessary to gain approval of a new drug application (NDA).

The 1984 amendments include what is now section 505(j)(7) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355(j)(7)), which requires FDA to publish a list of all approved drugs. FDA publishes this list as part of the "Approved Drug Products With Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations," which is known generally as the "Orange Book." Under FDA regulations, drugs are removed from the list if the Agency withdraws or suspends approval of the drug's NDA or ANDA for reasons of safety or effectiveness or if FDA determines that the listed drug was withdrawn from sale for reasons of safety or effectiveness (21 CFR 314.162).

A person may petition the Agency to determine, or the Agency may determine on its own initiative, whether a listed drug was withdrawn from sale for reasons of safety or effectiveness. This determination may be made at any time after the drug has been withdrawn from sale, but must be made prior to approving an ANDA that refers to the listed drug (21 CFR 314.161). FDA may not approve an ANDA that does not refer to a listed drug.

RITALIN LA (methylphenidate hydrochloride) extended-release capsules, 60 mg, are the subject of NDA 021284, held by Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corp. (Novartis) and initially approved on October 27, 2014. RITALIN LA is indicated for the

treatment of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).

In a letter dated March 23, 2016, Novartis notified FDA that RITALIN LA (methylphenidate hydrochloride) extended-release capsules, 60 mg, were being discontinued, and FDA moved the drug product to the “Discontinued Drug Product List” section of the Orange Book.

Abhai, LLC, submitted a citizen petition dated April 19, 2017 (Docket No. FDA-2017-P-2496), under 21 CFR 10.30, requesting that the Agency determine whether RITALIN LA (methylphenidate hydrochloride) extended-release capsules, 60 mg, were withdrawn from sale for reasons of safety or effectiveness.

After considering the citizen petition and reviewing Agency records, and based on the information we have at this time, FDA has determined under § 314.161 that RITALIN LA (methylphenidate hydrochloride) extended-release capsules, 60 mg, were not withdrawn for reasons of safety or effectiveness. The petitioner has identified no data or other information suggesting that RITALIN LA (methylphenidate hydrochloride) extended-release capsules, 60 mg, were withdrawn for reasons of safety or effectiveness. We have carefully reviewed our files for records concerning the withdrawal of RITALIN LA (methylphenidate hydrochloride) extended-release capsules, 60 mg, from sale. We have also independently evaluated relevant literature and data for possible postmarketing adverse events. We have reviewed the available evidence and determined that this drug product was not withdrawn from sale for reasons of safety or effectiveness.

Accordingly, the Agency will continue to list RITALIN LA (methylphenidate hydrochloride) extended-release capsules, 60 mg, in the “Discontinued Drug Product List” section of the Orange Book. The “Discontinued Drug Product List” delineates, among other items, drug products that have been discontinued from marketing for reasons other than safety or effectiveness. ANDAs that refer to RITALIN LA (methylphenidate hydrochloride) extended-release capsules, 60 mg, may be approved by the Agency as long as they meet all other legal and regulatory requirements for the approval of ANDAs. If FDA determines that labeling for this drug product should be revised to meet current standards, the Agency will advise ANDA applicants to submit such labeling.

Dated: August 28, 2017.

Anna K. Abram,
Deputy Commissioner for Policy, Planning, Legislation, and Analysis.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute on Aging; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute on Aging Initial Review Group; Clinical Aging Review Committee.

Date: October 5–6, 2017.

Time: 3:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Bethesda Marriott, 5151 Pooks Hill Road, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Contact Person: Alicja L. Markowska, Ph.D., DSC, National Institute on Aging, National Institutes of Health, Gateway Building 2C212, 7201 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-496-9666, markowska@nia.nih.gov.

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Dated: August 30, 2017.

Melanie J. Pantoja,
Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Cancer Institute Amended Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given of a change in the meeting of the National Cancer Advisory Board, September 12, 2017, 1:00 p.m. to September 12, 2017, 4:00

p.m., National Cancer Institute—Shady Grove, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Conference Room TE406 and TE408, Rockville, MD, 20850 (Virtual Meeting) which was published in the **Federal Register** on August 14, 2017, 82 FR 37885.

The meeting notice is amended to change the times of the open and closed sessions. The open session will end at 2:15 p.m. The closed session will begin at 2:30 p.m. and end at 3:30 p.m. The meeting is partially closed to the public.

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Melanie J. Pantoja,
Program Analyst Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases; Notice of Closed Meetings

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Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; PAR-15-067: NIDDK Multi-Center Clinical Study Cooperative Agreement (U01): CKD and Bone Mineral Disorders in Children.

Date: October 2, 2017.

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate cooperative agreement applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Najma S. Begum, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, National Institutes of Health, Room 7349, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892-5452, (301) 594-8894, begumn@niddk.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel, PAR-16-126: High Impact, Interdisciplinary Science in NIDDK