

(d) Reauthorization**(1) Consultation**

In developing recommendations to present to the Congress with respect to the goals described in subsection (a), and plans for meeting the goals, for OTC monograph drug activities for the first 5 fiscal years after fiscal year 2025, and for the reauthorization of this subpart for such fiscal years, the Secretary shall consult with—

- (A) the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives;
- (B) the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate;
- (C) scientific and academic experts;
- (D) health care professionals;
- (E) representatives of patient and consumer advocacy groups; and
- (F) the regulated industry.

(2) Public review of recommendations

After negotiations with the regulated industry, the Secretary shall—

- (A) present the recommendations developed under paragraph (1) to the congressional committees specified in such paragraph;
- (B) publish such recommendations in the Federal Register;
- (C) provide for a period of 30 calendar days for the public to provide written comments on such recommendations;
- (D) hold a meeting at which the public may present its views on such recommendations; and
- (E) after consideration of such public views and comments, revise such recommendations as necessary.

(3) Transmittal of recommendations

Not later than January 15, 2025, the Secretary shall transmit to the Congress the revised recommendations under paragraph (2), a summary of the views and comments received under such paragraph, and any changes made to the recommendations in response to such views and comments.

(June 25, 1938, ch. 675, §744N, as added Pub. L. 116–136, div. A, title III, §3862, Mar. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 468.)

Editorial Notes**REFERENCES IN TEXT**

Section 3861(b) of the CARES Act, referred to in subsec. (a), probably means section 3861 of Pub. L. 116–136, div. A, title III, Mar. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 458, which is set out as a note under section 379j–71 of this title. Section 3861 of Pub. L. 116–136 does not contain subsecs.

PART D—INFORMATION AND EDUCATION**§ 379k. Information system**

The Secretary shall establish and maintain an information system to track the status and progress of each application or submission (including a petition, notification, or other similar form of request) submitted to the Food and Drug Administration requesting agency action.

(June 25, 1938, ch. 675, §745, formerly §741, as added Pub. L. 105–115, title IV, §407(a), Nov. 21,

1997, 111 Stat. 2370; renumbered §745, Pub. L. 110–316, title II, §202(a), Aug. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 3515.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**EFFECTIVE DATE**

Section effective 90 days after Nov. 21, 1997, except as otherwise provided, see section 501 of Pub. L. 105–115, set out as an Effective Date of 1997 Amendment note under section 321 of this title.

REPORT ON STATUS OF SYSTEM

Pub. L. 105–115, title IV, §407(b), Nov. 21, 1997, 111 Stat. 2370, provided that not later than 1 year after Nov. 21, 1997, Secretary of Health and Human Services was to submit report to Congress on status of system to be established under this section, including projected costs of system and concerns about confidentiality.

§ 379k–1. Electronic format for submissions**(a) Drugs and biologics****(1) In general**

Beginning no earlier than 24 months after the issuance of a final guidance issued after public notice and opportunity for comment, submissions under subsection (b), (i), or (j) of section 355 of this title or subsection (a) or (k) of section 262 of title 42 shall be submitted in such electronic format as specified by the Secretary in such guidance.

(2) Guidance contents

In the guidance under paragraph (1), the Secretary may—

- (A) provide a timetable for establishment by the Secretary of further standards for electronic submission as required by such paragraph; and
- (B) set forth criteria for waivers of and exemptions from the requirements of this subsection.

(3) Exception

This subsection shall not apply to submissions described in section 360bbb of this title.

(b) Devices**(1) In general**

Beginning after the issuance of final guidance implementing this paragraph, presubmissions and submissions for devices under section 360(k), 360c(f)(2)(A), 360e(c), 360e(d), 360e(f), 360j(g), 360j(m), or 360bbb–3 of this title or section 262 of title 42, and any supplements to such presubmissions or submissions, shall include an electronic copy of such presubmissions or submissions.

(2) Guidance contents

In the guidance under paragraph (1), the Secretary may—

- (A) provide standards for the electronic copy required under such paragraph; and
- (B) set forth criteria for waivers of and exemptions from the requirements of this subsection.

(3) Presubmissions and submissions solely in electronic format**(A) In general**

Beginning on such date as the Secretary specifies in final guidance issued under sub-