

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Guidelines for Ensuring the Quality of Information Disseminated to the Public. The HHS Information Quality Guidelines will be posted on the HHS website on or about October 1, 2002 and will go into effect on that date. Developed pursuant to the government-wide OMB Guidelines for Information Quality published on January 3, 2002, the HHS Guidelines will be available on the following HHS Web site: <http://www.hhs.gov/ifoquality>.

The Guidelines include mechanisms enabling interested parties to request correction of information disseminated to the public by HHS agencies.

DATES: The HHS Guidelines will be available on the HHS website on or about October 1, 2002 and will go into effect on that date.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James Scanlon, Division of Data Policy, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, U.S. DHHS, Telephone (202) 690-7100.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 3, 2002, OMB issued final guidelines to federal agencies that implement section 515 of the Treasury and General government Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (Pub. L. 106-554). Section 515 directs OMB to issue government-wide guidelines that provide policy and procedural guidance to federal agencies for ensuring and maximizing the quality, objectivity, utility and integrity of information (including statistical information) disseminated by federal agencies. The OMB guidelines in turn direct each federal agency to issue its own guidelines to implement the OMB Guidelines and ensure the quality, objectivity, utility and integrity of the information that the agency disseminates to the public, including administrative mechanisms allowing affected persons to seek and obtain, where appropriate, correction of information disseminated by the agency that does not comply with the guidelines.

On May 1, 2002, HHS posted draft guidelines for a sixty day public comment period. The final guidelines will be posted on the HHS Web site on or about October 1, 2002.

Dated: September 23, 2002.

William Raub,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Pediatric Oncology Subcommittee of the Oncologic Drugs Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

This notice announces a forthcoming meeting of a public advisory committee of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The meeting will be open to the public.

Name of Committee: Pediatric Oncology Subcommittee of the Oncologic Drugs Advisory Committee.

General Function of the Committee: To provide advice and recommendations to the agency on FDA's regulatory issues.

Date and Time: The meeting will be held on October 17, 2002, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Location: Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Advisory Committee conference room 1066, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD.

Contact Person: Thomas H. Perez, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (HFD-21), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-6758, or e-mail: PerezT@cder.fda.gov or the FDA Advisory Committee Information Line, 1-800-741-8138 (301-443-0572 in the Washington, DC area), code 12542. Please call the Information Line for up-to-date information on this meeting.

Agenda: The subcommittee will discuss the timing of the initiation of pediatric oncology clinical studies in a drug development program. The input from this meeting will be used in developing FDA policy to the application of the pediatric rule and the issuance of written requests under the Best Pharmaceuticals for Children Act.

Procedure: Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the subcommittee. Written submissions may be made to the contact person by October 10, 2002. Oral presentations from the public will be scheduled between approximately 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. Time allotted for each presentation may be limited. Those desiring to make formal oral presentations should notify the contact person before October 10, 2002, and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the evidence or arguments they wish to present, the names and addresses of proposed participants, and

an indication of the approximate time requested to make their presentation.

Persons attending FDA's advisory committee meetings are advised that the agency is not responsible for providing access to electrical outlets.

FDA welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please notify Thomas Perez at least 7 days in advance of the meeting.

Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2).

Dated: September, 20, 2002.

Linda Arey Skladany,

Senior Associate Commissioner for External Relations.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Clinical Pharmacology Subcommittee of the Advisory Committee for Pharmaceutical Science; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

This notice announces a forthcoming meeting of a public advisory committee of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The meeting will be open to the public.

Name of Committee: Clinical Pharmacology Subcommittee of the Advisory Committee for Pharmaceutical Science.

General Function of the Committee: To provide advice and recommendations to the agency on FDA's regulatory issues.

Date and Time: The meeting will be held on October 23, 2002, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Location: Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Advisory Committee conference room 1066, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD.

Contact Person: Kathleen Reedy, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (HFD-21), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane (for express delivery, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1093), Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-7001, or e-mail: REEDYK@cder.fda.gov, or FDA Advisory Committee Information Line, 1-800-741-8138