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Innovations in a Changing World

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**AGENDA**

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**DAY ONE: Tuesday, October 26, 2021**

8:50 – 9:00

**Welcome**

**Brenda Stodart, PharmD, BCGP, RAC**

*CAPT, USPHS*

*Director, Small Business and Industry Assistance (SBIA)*

*Division of Drug Information (DDI) | Office of Communications (OCOMM) | CDER*

9:00 – 9:10

**Keynote**

**Janet Woodcock, MD**

*Acting Commissioner of Food and Drugs*

*Food and Drug Administration*

9:10 – 9:20

**PQS Keynote**

**Michael Kopcha**

*Director*

*Office of Pharmaceutical Quality (OPQ) | CDER*

**Your SBIA Hosts for Day One**

**Renu Lal, PharmD**

*LCDR, USPHS, Pharmacist*

*SBIA | DDI | OCOMM | CDER*

**Forest "Ray" Ford, Jr., PharmD**

*CAPT, USPHS, Pharmacist*

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**Learning from the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency**

9:20 – 9:35

**Regulation of Pharmaceutical Quality in the U.S.**

This presentation covers the meaning and importance of pharmaceutical quality and describes the role of FDA's Office of Pharmaceutical Quality (OPQ), within the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, in regulating pharmaceutical quality.

**Lucinda Buhse**

*Deputy Director for Operations*

*Office of Pharmaceutical Quality (OPQ) | CDER*

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**Learning from the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency**

9:35 - 9:55

**Policy Updates on Pharmaceutical Quality**

This overview provides an update on the latest policy developments related to pharmaceutical quality, including guidance development and matters related to COVID-19.

**Laurie Graham**

*Director*

Division of Internal Policies and Programs (DIPAP)  
Office of Policy for Pharmaceutical Quality (OPPQ)  
OPQ | CDER

9:55 – 10:25

**FDA's Facility Oversight**

FDA staff from the Office of Pharmaceutical Quality and the Office of Regulatory Affairs will explain how they are working together to evaluate and inspect pharmaceutical manufacturing facilities and will provide considerations for facility management when interacting with the FDA.

**Stelios Tsinontides**

*Director*

Office of Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Assessment (OPMA)  
OPQ | CDER

**Nancy Rolli**

*Deputy Director*

Office of Pharmaceutical Quality Operations (OPQO)  
Office of Regulatory Affairs (ORA)

10:25 – 10:50

**Panel Questions & Discussion**

**Lucinda Buhse, Laurie Graham, Stelios Tsinontides,  
Nancy Rolli**

**10:50 - 11:05: BREAK**

11:05 - 12:05

**FDA Leaders Panel Discussion**

In this live moderated forum, FDA leaders will discuss what global regulators and industry have done related to manufacturing and quality in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency that were positive developments, and what could and should continue long after the end of the pandemic.

**Michael Kopcha**

*Director*

OPQ | CDER

**Theresa Mullin**

*Associate Director for Strategy*

Office of the Center Director (OCD) | CDER

**Don Ashley**

*Director*

Office of Compliance (OC) | CDER

**Elizabeth Miller**

*Assistant Commissioner*

Office of Medical Products and Tobacco Operations (OMPTO)  
ORA

*Moderator:*

**Ashley Boam**

*Director*

OPPQ | OPQ | CDER

**12:05 - 12:35 PM: LUNCH BREAK**

**DAY ONE: Tuesday, October 26, 2021**

**Innovations at FDA**

12:35 – 12:50

**Integrated Quality Assessment (IQA): Aligned Teams**

This presentation will describe advances in the team-based integrated quality assessment of regulatory submissions including the creation of "aligned teams" to strengthen and streamline the assessment process.

**Don Henry**  
*Director*

Office of Program and Regulatory Operations (OPRO)  
OPQ | CDER

12:50 – 1:05

**Knowledge-Aided Assessment and Structured Application (KASA): Part 1**

The first presentation on this topic will cover KASA's development and implementation for the quality assessment of new and generic drug applications, including drug substance, drug product, and manufacturing (process/facilities).

**Ee-Sunn "Joanne" Chia**  
*Division Director*

Division of New Drug Products III (DNDP III)  
Office of New Drugs Products (ONDP)  
OPQ | CDER

1:05 – 1:20

**Knowledge-Aided Assessment and Structured Application (KASA): Part 2**

The second presentation on this topic will cover KASA's development and implementation for the quality assessment of biologics license applications.

**Joel Welch**

*Associate Director for Science*  
Office of Biotechnology Products (OBP)  
OPQ | CDER

1:20 – 1:35

**Quality Surveillance Dashboard (QSD)**

The FDA will introduce an interactive application that provides a framework for consistent assessment of CDER-regulated facilities through reporting, data exploration, and analytics to facilitate data-driven decisions and proactive detection of potential quality signals.

**Alex Viehmann**  
*Division Director*

Division of Quality Intelligence II  
Office of Quality Surveillance (OQS)  
Office of Pharmaceutical Quality (OPQ) | CDER

1:35 – 2:00

**Panel Questions and Discussion**

**Don Henry, Ee-Sunn "Joanne" Chia, Joel Welch, Alex Viehmann**

**2:00 – 2:15: BREAK**

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**Innovations at FDA**

2:15 – 2:35

**The Importance of International Harmonization**

The FDA will explain the importance of regulatory harmonization and convergence and share the latest FDA efforts to promote and engage in international harmonization.

**Brian Hasselbalch**  
Deputy Director  
OPPQ | OPQ | CDER

2:35 – 2:55

**Quality-Related Compliance Updates and Innovations**

This talk will address updates and innovations related to facility compliance and enforcement actions for quality issues, as well as general trends, throughout the industry.

**Francis Godwin**  
Office Director  
Office of Manufacturing Quality (OMQ)  
OC | CDER

2:55 - 3:15

**Quality Management Maturity (QMM)**

The FDA will describe a vision for the development and implementation of a transparent QMM program and present findings from recent QMM pilot programs.

**Jennifer Maguire**  
Director  
OQS | OPQ | CDER

3:15 – 3:35

**CARES Act: Volume NextGen Reporting Portal**

This presentation will discuss the creation of a portal to collect annually, amount of listed drugs and biological products by registrants and explain how FDA will curate and report the data.

**Obinna Ugwu-Oju**  
Division Director  
Division of Quality Data Science (DQDS)  
OQS | OPQ | CDER

3:35 – 4:00

**Panel Questions and Discussion**

**Brian Hasselbalch, Jennifer Maguire, Francis Godwin, Obinna Ugwu-Oju**

**4:00 PM: DAY ONE ADJOURN**

## DAY TWO: Wednesday, October 27, 2021

8:45 – 8:55

### Welcome

**Renu Lal, PharmD**

*LCDR, USPHS, Pharmacist*  
Small Business and Industry Assistance (SBIA)  
Division of Drug Information (DDI) | Office of  
Communications (OCOMM) | CDER

### Your SBIA Hosts for Day Two

**Renu Lal, PharmD**

*LCDR, USPHS, Pharmacist*  
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*CAPT, USPHS, Pharmacist*  
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## A Foundation of Science

8:55 – 9:15

### Control of Nitrosamine Impurities in Human Drugs

The FDA will present the science driving the regulation of nitrosamine impurities in drugs, including angiotensin receptor blockers, metformin, and ranitidine.

**Jason Rodriguez**

*Division Director*  
Division of Complex Drug Analysis  
Office of Testing and Research (OTR)  
OPQ | CDER

9:15 – 9:35

### Research Fueling Approvals: A Case Study of Glucagon

FDA research and assessment staff will describe laboratory research and explain how it directly enabled the regulatory approval of the first generic glucagon product for the treatment of severe hypoglycemia.

**Ilan Geerlof-Vidavsky**

*Chemist*  
Division of Pharmaceutical Analysis (DPA)  
OTR | OPQ | CDER

**Cameron Smith**

*Supervisory Chemist*  
Division of Liquid-Based Products (DLBP)  
Office of Lifecycle Drug Products (OLDP)  
OPQ | CDER

9:35 – 9:55

### Research Fueling Approvals: A Case Study of Enteral Feeding Tubes

FDA research and assessment staff will describe laboratory research and explain how it directly enabled the guidance for industry oral drug products administered via enteral feeding tube.

**Alicia Hoover**

*Chemist*  
DPA | OTR | OPQ | CDER

**Namrata Trivedi**

*Chemist*  
Division of Immediate and Modified Release  
Products III (DIMRPIII)  
OLDP | OPQ | CDER

**DAY TWO: Wednesday, October 27, 2021**  
**A Foundation of Science**

9:55 – 10:15

**Research Fueling Approvals: A Case Study of Ferumoxytol**

FDA research and assessment staff will describe laboratory research and explain how it directly enabled the regulatory approval of a generic ferumoxytol product for the treatment of iron deficiency anemia.

**Charudharshini Srinivasan**

*Research Scientist, Staff Fellow*  
 Division of Product Quality Research (DPQR)  
 OTR | OPQ | CDER

**Yiwei Li**

*Supervisory Chemist*  
 Division of Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Assessment  
 III (DPMAIV)  
 OMPA | OPQ | CDER

10:15 – 10:45

**Panel Questions and Discussion**

**Jason Rodriguez, Ilan Geerlof-Vidavsky, Cameron Smith, Alicia Hoover, Namrata Trivedi  
 Charudharshini Srinivasan, Yiwei Li**

**10:45 - 11:00: BREAK**

11:00 – 11:20

**Keeping Products Safe for Consumers**

This presentation will describe how science drives regulatory actions to protect consumers from unsafe products, including some hand sanitizers marketed during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

**Connie Ruzicka**

*Lab Chief*  
 DPA | OTR | OPQ | CDER

11:20 - 11:40

**The State of Pharmaceutical Quality**

The FDA will discuss findings from its latest Report on the State of Pharmaceutical Quality and describe how they are used to improve quality surveillance.

**Neil Stiber**

*Associate Director for Science and Communication*  
 OQS | OPQ | CDER

11:40 – 12:00

**Panel Questions and Discussion**

**Connie Ruzicka, Neil Stiber**

**12:00 – 12:30 PM: LUNCH BREAK**

12:30 – 12:45

**Emerging Technology Program 2.0**

This talk will outline the next generation of CDER's Emerging Technology Program to enhance program efficiency and encourage and support industry adoption of advanced manufacturing technologies.

**Sau “Larry” Lee**

*Deputy Director of Science*  
 OPQ | CDER

**DAY TWO: Wednesday, October 27, 2021**  
**Advancing Advanced Manufacturing**

12:45 – 1:05

**Addressing the Advanced Manufacturing Regulatory Framework**

This presentation will share FDA efforts to identify and address gaps and pain points in the current regulatory framework related to advanced manufacturing (e.g., continuous, distributed, point-of-care, and AI-controlled manufacturing technologies).

**Adam Fisher**  
*Acting Associate Director of Science and Outreach*  
 OPQ | CDER

1:05 – 1:25

**Panel Questions and Discussion**

**Sau “Larry” Lee, Adam Fisher**

**1:25 – 1:40: BREAK**

1:40 – 2:00

**FDA's Advanced Manufacturing Product Development Science Program**

FDA will describe the development of an intramural and extramural research program to generate foundational knowledge to support assessment, guidance and policy development, surveillance, and training related to advanced pharmaceutical manufacturing.

**Thomas O’Connor**  
*Division Director*  
 Division of Product Quality Research  
 OTR | OPQ | CDER

2:00 – 2:20

**Extramural Advanced Manufacturing Product Development Science: Continuous**

An FDA-sponsored investigator will present research related to the continuous manufacturing of human pharmaceuticals.

**Ernie Penachio**  
*Vice President of Technical Operations*  
 Continuous Pharmaceuticals

2:20 – 2:40

**Industry Development of Advanced Manufacturing: On Demand Pharmaceuticals**

An industry leader will describe the commercial development of the ‘Pharmacy on Demand’ platform, an advanced, miniaturized, and automated suite of pharmaceutical manufacturing systems.

**John Lewin**  
*Chief Medical Officer*  
 On Demand Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

2:40 – 3:05

**Panel Questions and Discussion**

**Thomas O’Connor, Ernie Penachio, John Lewin**

3:05 – 3:15

**Closing Words from the Office of Pharmaceutical Quality**

**Michael Kopcha**

**3:15 PM: DAY TWO ADJOURN**