Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER)
Small Business Assistance Program
The Information Source for Regulated Domestic and International Small Pharmaceutical Business

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Organizational Structure

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Office of Communications (OCOMM)

Division of Drug Information (DDI)

CDER Small Business Assistance
Mission

Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
Protect and advance the public health of the Nation

Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER)
Promote and protect the health of Americans by assuring that prescription and over-the-counter drugs are safe and effective

CDER Small Business Assistance Mission
Promote productive interaction with regulated industry by assisting regulated domestic and international small pharmaceutical business who are seeking timely and accurate information relating to development and regulation of human drug products
Definition of Small Business

The term small business is defined as a business that has no more than 500 employees, including affiliates.

An affiliate is a business entity that has a relationship with a second business entity if one business entity controls, or has the power to control, the other business entity, or a third party controls, or has the power to control, both entities. (Section 735(9) of the Food, Drug & Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act)).
Resources

- Website
- Widget and Online Survey
- ListServ and Twitter
- FDA Basics for Industry
- Educational Outreach
- Inquiries
Website

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Small pharmaceutical business is integral in bringing innovative medical products to the U.S. marketplace. The purpose of this website is to support the CDER Small Business Assistance Program's mission of promoting productive interaction with regulated industry by assisting regulated domestic and international small pharmaceutical business seeking timely and accurate information relating to development and regulation of human drug products.

In order to collect valuable information and better improve our services, we ask that you PLEASE TAKE OUR SHORT SURVEY

Drug Review Process

Spotlight
- Follow FDA Drug Info on Twitter
- FDA Basics for Industry
- CDER Small Business E-mail Updates
- Workshops and Webinars
- CDERLearn

Recalls & Alerts
- MedWatch: The FDA Safety Information and Adverse Event Reporting Program
- Recalls, Market Withdrawals, and Safety Alerts
Widget and Online Survey

Widget

Online survey
Twitter, FDA Basics for Industry and ListServ
FDA Basics for Industry

- Contact portal
- Navigation guide
- A – Z index
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Educational Resources
Educational Outreach

- Webinars
- Workshops
- CDERLearn
- Industry meetings
- Exhibits
- Presentations
Educational Outreach- CDERLearn

- The Past, Present, and Future of FDA Human Drug Regulation
- Bringing an Unapproved Drug Into Compliance
- The FDA Process for Approving Generic Drugs
- An Introduction to the Improved FDA Prescription Drug Labeling
Inquiries

- Determination of regulatory status (is it a drug, device, food)
- Financial Incentives
- Pre-IND meetings
- Identify appropriate review division and facilitate interaction with SB entity and division
- GMP issues

- Imports
- Labeling
- OTC Monographs
- Medical gases
- Pediatric exclusivity
- Repackaging
- Orphan drug designation
- Unapproved drugs
- Registration and listing queries
- Clinical studies
Financial Incentives

- Prescription Drug User Fee Act (PDUFA) user fee waiver: [http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/UserFees/PrescriptionDrugUserFee/default.htm](http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/UserFees/PrescriptionDrugUserFee/default.htm)


- Public Health
- Barrier to Innovation
- Small Business
Financial Incentives - continued

➢ Under section 736(d)(1)(D) of the Act, an applicant is eligible for a waiver of the application fee if the applicant is a small business submitting its first human drug application to the Agency for review and does not have another product approved under a human drug application and introduced or delivered for introduction into interstate commerce.

An applicant is eligible for a small business waiver when:
Financial Incentives continued

- The applicant employs fewer than 500 employees, including employees of affiliates;

- The applicant does not have a drug product that has been approved under a human drug application and introduced or delivered for introduction into interstate commerce; and

- The applicant, including its affiliates, is submitting its first human drug application.

To qualify for a small business waiver, an applicant must meet all of these criteria.

http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/UserFees/PrescriptionDrugUserFee/ucm093376.htm
Financial Incentives continued

Applications

- Requiring clinical data
  $1,542,000
- Not requiring clinical data
  $771,000

Establishments

$497,200

Product

$86,520
Pre-IND Meeting

- Identifying and avoiding unnecessary studies
- Ensuring that necessary studies are designed to provide useful information
- Gaining FDA support for a proposed strategy
- Minimizing potential for clinical hold
- Providing opportunity for creative exchange of ideas
- Obtaining regulatory insight
- Minimizing costs
- Clearly defining endpoints and goals of the development program
- Allowing early interactions/negotiations with FDA
Pre-IND Meeting Request

- Listing of specific questions categorized and grouped by discipline, for example, chemistry, manufacturing, and controls (CMC), pharmacology/toxicology, clinical pharmacology and biopharmaceutics, and clinical investigations.

- Quantitative composition (all ingredients by percent composition) of the drug proposed for use in the study to be discussed.

- Dosing regimen, including concentration, amount dosed, and frequency and duration of dosing if known.
Pre-IND Meeting Packet

- Provides the historical background information on the chemical development concept
- Provides information on the active ingredient
- Provides an initial clinical and preclinical development strategy
- Provides future development strategy including product scale-up and final formulation, and animal and clinical studies proposed in support of an NDA
- Provides FDA with a clear and concise overview of the planned development program
- Allows FDA the opportunity to comment on a proposed program of development

Audience*

Demographics
- 95% Small Business
  (other: consultants, large pharma, etc.)
- 56% of the companies employ <10 people

Location
- Most of clientele is in the U.S.
- Global reach: India, China, Mexico, Switzerland, Spain, Sri Lanka, Canada, Jordan, Chile.

Industry experience
- 39% have submitted or are in the process of submitting a drug application to FDA
- 87% do not have an FDA approved drug application

* This information was extracted 3/2011 from a survey posted on our SB website, and may not be reflective of our entire audience
Accomplishments

# of Phone Calls Received by CDER SB Program (2010-2011)

![Graph showing the number of phone calls received by the CDER SB Program from January 2010 to April 2011. The graph indicates a fluctuation in call volumes with peaks in October and December, and a dip in February.](image)

# of Incoming Phone Calls to DDI from Small Business (2011) *

![Graph showing the number of incoming phone calls to DDI from small businesses in 2011. The graph indicates a significant increase in March with 244 calls (8%) followed by a decrease in April with 228 calls (8%).](image)
Accomplishments

Number of Emails Received in CDER SB Account in 2010-2011

Month (2010-2011)

Number of Emails Received

Number of Emails Received in DDI account from Small Business (2011)

Month (2011)

Number of emails received

* % indicates percentage of total emails received by DDI
Goals

- Increase inquiries to SB account by 50% in 2011
- Increase global audience and presence
- Webinars – one per month
- Workshops – at least 2 per year
- Develop CDERLearn courses (2 per year)
- Increase visibility
  - Speaking at Industry conferences
  - Networking within and outside of FDA
  - Holding workshops at the 5 Regional Offices
CDER Small Business Contact

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