

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Food and Drug Administration

#### Advisory Committee for Pharmaceutical Science; Notice of Meeting

**AGENCY:** Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

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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:* 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 19 and 20, 2004, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Location:* Food and Drug Administration, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Advisory Committee conference rm. 1066, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD.

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*Agenda:* On October 19, 2004, the committee will do the following: (1) receive updates pertaining to the Manufacturing Subcommittee, the Parametric Tolerance Interval Test (PTIT) Workgroup, and the Good Manufacturing Practices (GMPs) for the 21st Century Initiative, and (2) review and discuss research opportunities under the Critical Path Initiative. On October 20, 2004, the committee will do the following: (1) review and discuss the Office of Pharmaceutical Science (OPS) plans and activities designed to take the organization towards the “desired state” of science and risk-based regulatory policies and practices as articulated under the GMPs for the 21st Century Initiative, and (2) review and discuss specific topics related to pharmaceutical equivalence and bioequivalence of generic drugs.

*Procedure:* Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the committee. Written submissions may be made to the contact person by October 12, 2004. Oral presentations from the public will be scheduled between approximately 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. on both days. Time allotted for each presentation may be limited. Those desiring to make formal oral presentations should notify the contact person before October 12, 2004, 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 contact Hilda Scharen 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 9, 2004.

**William K. Hubbard,**

*Associate Commissioner for Policy and Planning.*

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