

# *FDA Perspective: Regulatory Considerations for Treating Older Adults with Cancer*

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# FDA Guidance on Inclusion of Older Adults



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## Year

1997	Guidance for the Study of Drugs Likely to Be Used in the Elderly (FDA)
2012	Guidance for Industry: E7 Studies in Support of Special Populations (FDA)
2016	Evaluation and Reporting of Age, Race, and Ethnicity Data in Medical Device Clinical Studies (FDA)
2016	Enrollment of Older Adults on Oncology Trials: an FDA Perspective (Journal of Geriatric Oncology)
2017	Reevaluating Eligibility Criteria – Balancing Patient Protection and Participation in Oncology Trials (NEJM)



# Content and Format: Geriatric Labeling

- Established in 1997 by the FDA

The “Geriatric use” subsection must cite any limitations on the geriatric indication, need for specific monitoring, specific hazards associated with the geriatric condition, and other information related to safe and effective use of the drug in the geriatric population.

Information on pharmacokinetics related to age, conditions associated with age, and clinical data should be collected and analyzed to learn whether the drug has different effects in older adults. (1997)

**“An *appropriate representation of the geriatric population (including patients with concomitant therapies and co-morbidities)* should be enrolled** in the clinical development program to adequately characterize efficacy and safety in the geriatric population and allow for comparisons with the nongeriatric population. This information would ordinarily be expected in a marketing application.” (2012)

**“Where enrollment of geriatric patients has been insufficient despite the efforts of the applicant, a specific plan to collect data postmarketing should be discussed during development and presented in the marketing application.” (2012)**

# Enrollment of Older Adults on Oncology Trials: an FDA Perspective (2016)



- Modernizing Eligibility Criteria
  - Promotes greater inclusion of older adults (organ dysfunction)
- Patient Reported Outcomes
  - Provide further information on tolerability of therapy
- Real World Evidence
  - Collaborations with FDA to increase available data on efficacy and safety of novel therapies in older adults

## Improving the Evidence Base for Treating Older Adults With Cancer: American Society of Clinical Oncology Statement

*Arti Hurria, Laura A. Levit, William Dale, Supriya G. Mohile, Hyman B. Muss, Louis Fehrenbacher, Allison Magnuson, Stuart M. Lichtman, Suanna S. Bruinooge, Enrique Soto-Perez-de-Celis, William P. Tew, Michael A. Postow, and Harvey J. Cohen*

**Table 1.** Recommendation Goals

Recommendation
<p>To improve the conduct of research</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use clinical trials to improve evidence for treating older adults with cancer</li> <li>Leverage research designs and infrastructure for generating evidence on older adults with cancer</li> </ul>
<p>To improve the research environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase FDA authority to incentivize and require research involving older adults with cancer</li> <li>Increase clinicians' recruitment of older adults with cancer to clinical trials</li> <li>Use journal policies to improve researchers' reporting of age distribution and health risk profiles of research participants</li> </ul>

Abbreviation: FDA, US Food and Drug Administration.



# Session 1: Designing clinical trials to include older adults with cancer: Leverage research designs and infrastructure for generating evidence

Moderator: Harvey Cohen, Duke University

## Speakers:

Supriya Mohile, University of Rochester Medical Center

Tania Small, Novartis

Hans Wildiers, University Hospitals Leuven

## Panelists:

Julia Beaver, U.S. Food and Drug Administration

Jan Buckner, Mayo Institute

Beverly Canin, Patient Advocate

Worta McCaskill-Stevens, National Cancer Institute

Rajeshwari Sridhara, U.S. Food and Drug Administration



# Session 2: Increasing the enrollment of older adults on registration trials to reflect the proportion with the disease:

## *Strategies and challenges*

Moderator: Heidi Klepin, Comprehensive Cancer Center of Wake Forest University

### Speakers:

Bindu Kanapuru, U.S. Food and Drug Administration

Lou Fehrenbacher, Kaiser Permanente

Michaela Popa Mckiver, Bristol-Myers Squibb

Eric Rubin, Merck

### Panelists:

Judith Hopkins, Novant Health

Iman Martin, National Cancer Institute

Hyman Muss, UNC Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center



# Session 3: Leveraging research designs for real-world patients: Real-world evidence/observational data



Moderator: Harpreet Singh, U.S. Food and Drug Administration

Speakers:

Sean Khozin, U.S. Food and Drug Administration

Gary Lyman, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center

Robert Miller, CancerLinQ

Panelists:

Cynthia Chauhan, FDA Patient Representative Program

William Dale, City of Hope

Gracie Lieberman, Genentech

Yu-Ning Wong, Janssen Scientific Affairs, LLC



# Session 4: Lessons from pediatrics, payers, and the European Medicines Agency

Moderator: Arti Hurria, City of Hope

## Speakers:

Peter Adamson, Children's Oncology Group

Susan L. Weiner, Children's Cause for Cancer Advocacy

Donna Messner, Center for Medical Technology Policy

Frans Opdam, Netherlands Cancer Institute

## Panelists:

Joseph Chin, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

Rick Pazdur, U.S. Food and Drug Administration

Richard Schilsky, American Society of Clinical Oncology

Margaret Sedenquist, Patient Advocate

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