

**FDA Staff Manual Guides, Volume I – Organizations and Functions**

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**Food and Drug Administration**

**Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research**

**Office of Vaccines Research and Review**

**Division of Emerging and Transfusion Transmitted Diseases**

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**1. Division of Review Management and Regulatory Review (DCBFD).**

- A. Conducts administrative screening and regulatory review of all investigational regulatory applications and amendments (IRAs), biologics license applications (BLAs) and supplements, meeting requests, and other relevant submissions and correspondence for products regulated by the Office.
- B. Coordinates the processing and review of all IRAs. Serves as the primary administrative and scientific point of contact between IRA sponsors and the Office. Drafts and issues all letters related to IRA review. Monitors and tracks all regulatory actions for Office IRAs and ensures consistency of actions with applicable regulations, policies, and procedures.
- C. Coordinates the processing and review of BLAs and supplements for the Office. Serves as the primary administrative and scientific point of contact between BLA applicants and the Office. Drafts and issues all letters related to BLA and supplement review. Monitors and tracks all regulatory actions for Office BLAs and supplements and ensures consistency of actions with applicable regulations, policies, and procedures.
- D. Reviews regulations and guidelines setting forth administrative and regulatory procedures for products assigned to the Office. Develops policies and procedures applicable to the review of regulatory submissions, in the absence of Center-level policies and procedures. Monitors and evaluates labeling of products assigned to the Office. Assists in evaluating the adequacy of product package inserts for products regulated by the Office.

- E. Conducts or coordinates for the Office, written and oral communication with sponsors/applicants/manufacturers. Coordinates, schedules, and conducts formal and informal meetings between sponsors/applicants/manufacturers and Office personnel.
- F. Maintains databases and information on Office review activities and provides reports and relevant information to Office, Center, and Food and Drug Administration (FDA) management.
- G. Provides staff support and regulatory guidance and advice to FDA committees, other government entities, manufacturers, and consumers on issues related to this Office.

## **2. Regulatory Review Branch 1 (DCBFD1).**

- A. Conducts regulatory review of IRAs, BLAs, and supplements; meeting requests and other relevant submissions; and correspondence for products regulated by the Office.
- B. Coordinates the processing and review of assigned IRAs. Serves as the primary administrative and scientific point of contact between IRA sponsors and the Office. Drafts letters related to IRA review. Monitors and tracks all regulatory actions for assigned IRAs, and ensures consistency of actions with applicable regulations, policies, and procedures.
- C. Coordinates the processing and review of assigned BLAs and supplements. Serves as the primary administrative and scientific point of contact between BLA applicants and the Office. Drafts letters related to BLA and supplement review. Monitors and tracks all regulatory actions for assigned BLAs and supplements and ensures consistency of actions with applicable regulations, policies, and procedures.
- D. Reviews regulations and guidelines setting forth administrative and regulatory procedures for products assigned to the Office. Develops policies and procedures applicable to the review of regulatory submissions in the absence of Center-level policies and procedures. Monitors and evaluates labeling of products assigned to the Office. Assists in evaluating the adequacy of product package inserts for products regulated by the Office.
- E. Conducts or coordinates for the Office, written and oral communication with sponsors/applicants/manufacturers. Coordinates, schedules, and conducts formal and informal meetings between sponsors/applicants/manufacturers and Office personnel.
- F. Provides regulatory guidance and advice to FDA committees, other government entities, manufacturers, and consumers on matters overseen by the Office.

### **3. Regulatory Review Branch 2 (DCBFD2).**

- A. Conducts regulatory review of IRAs, BLAs, and supplements; meeting requests and other relevant submissions; and correspondence for products regulated by the Office.
- B. Coordinates the processing and review of assigned IRAs. Serves as the primary administrative and scientific point of contact between IRA sponsors and the Office. Drafts letters related to IRA review. Monitors and tracks all regulatory actions for assigned IRAs, and ensures consistency of actions with applicable regulations, policies, and procedures.
- C. Coordinates the processing and review of assigned BLAs and supplements. Serves as the primary administrative and scientific point of contact between BLA applicants and the Office. Drafts letters related to BLA and supplement review. Monitors and tracks all regulatory actions for assigned BLAs and supplements and ensures consistency of actions with applicable regulations, policies, and procedures.
- D. Reviews regulations and guidelines setting forth administrative and regulatory procedures for products assigned to the Office. Develops policies and procedures applicable to the review of regulatory submissions in the absence of Center-level policies and procedures. Monitors and evaluates labeling of products assigned to the Office. Assists in evaluating the adequacy of product package inserts for products regulated by the Office.
- E. Conducts or coordinates for the Office, written and oral communication with sponsors/applicants/manufacturers. Coordinates, schedules, and conducts formal and informal meetings between sponsors/applicants/manufacturers and Office personnel.
- F. Provides regulatory guidance and advice to FDA committees, other government entities, manufacturers, and consumers on matters overseen by the Office.

### **4. Regulatory Review Branch 3 (DCBFD3).**

- A. Conducts regulatory review of IRAs, BLAs, and supplements; meeting requests and other relevant submissions; and correspondence for products regulated by the Office.
- B. Coordinates the processing and review of assigned IRAs. Serves as the primary administrative and scientific point of contact between IRA sponsors and the Office. Drafts letters related to IRA review. Monitors and tracks all regulatory actions for assigned IRAs, and ensures consistency of actions with applicable regulations, policies, and procedures.

- C. Coordinates the processing and review of assigned BLAs and supplements. Serves as the primary administrative and scientific point of contact between BLA applicants and the Office. Drafts letters related to BLA and supplement review. Monitors and tracks all regulatory actions for assigned BLAs and supplements and ensures consistency of actions with applicable regulations, policies, and procedures.
- D. Reviews regulations and guidelines setting forth administrative and regulatory procedures for products assigned to the Office. Develops policies and procedures applicable to the review of regulatory submissions in the absence of Center-level policies and procedures. Monitors and evaluates labeling of products assigned to the Office. Assists in evaluating the adequacy of product package inserts for products regulated by the Office.
- E. Conducts or coordinates for the Office, written and oral communication with sponsors/applicants/manufacturers. Coordinates, schedules, and conducts formal and informal meetings between sponsors/applicants/manufacturers and Office personnel.
- F. Provides regulatory guidance and advice to FDA committees, other government entities, manufacturers, and consumers on matters overseen by the Office.

**5. Review Management Support Branch (DCBFD4).**

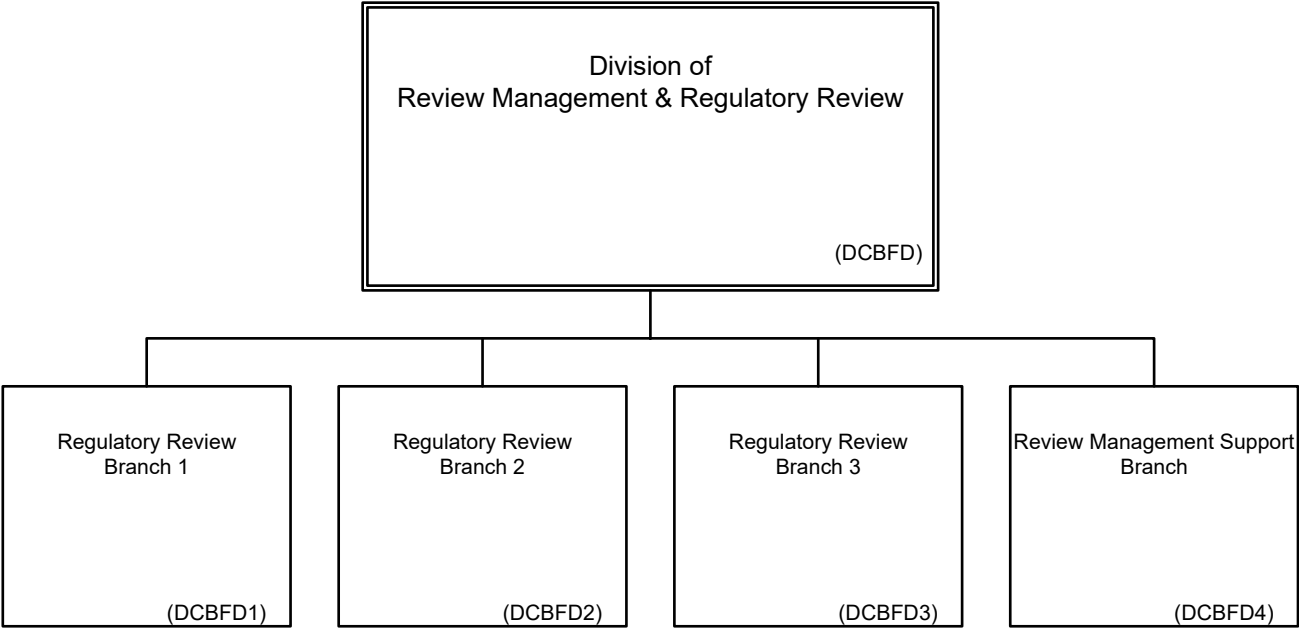
- A. Conducts administrative screening of all investigational regulatory applications and administrative amendments for IRAs, BLAs, and supplements; meeting requests and other relevant submissions; and correspondence for products regulated by the Office.
- B. Coordinates the processing and review of IRAs for the Office. Issues all letters related to IRA review. Monitors and tracks all regulatory actions for Office regulated IRAs, and ensures consistency of actions with applicable regulations, policies, and procedures.
- C. Coordinates the processing and review of BLAs and supplements for the Office. Issues all letters related to BLA and supplement review. Monitors and tracks all regulatory actions for Office regulated BLAs and supplements, and ensures consistency of actions with applicable regulations, policies, and procedures.
- D. Reviews regulations and guidelines setting forth administrative and regulatory procedures for products assigned to the Office. Develops policies and procedures applicable to the review of regulatory submissions in the absence of Center-level policies and procedures. Monitors and evaluates labeling of products assigned to the Office. Assists in evaluating the adequacy of product package inserts for products regulated by the Office.

- E. Conducts, or coordinates for the Office, written and oral communication with sponsors/applicants/manufacturers. Coordinates and schedules formal meetings between sponsors/applicants/manufacturers and Office personnel.
- F. Maintains databases and information on Office review activities and provides reports and relevant information to Office, Center, and FDA management.
- G. Provides regulatory guidance and advice to FDA committees, other government entities, manufacturers, and consumers on matters overseen by the Office.

**6. Authority and Effective Date.**

The functional statements for the Division of Regulatory Review and Management were approved by the Secretary of Health and Human Services on June 27, 2023, and effective on August 8, 2023.

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The following is the Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, Office of Vaccines Research and Review, Division of Review Management and Regulatory Review organization structure depicting all the organizational structures reporting to the Director:

Division of Review Management and Regulatory Review (DCBFD)  
Regulatory Review Branch 1 (DCBFD1)  
Regulatory Review Branch 2 (DCBFD2)  
Regulatory Review Branch 3 (DCBFD3)  
Review Management Support Branch (DCBFD4)