

other patient and patient stakeholder participants. In addition to input generated through this public meeting, FDA is interested in receiving patient input addressing these questions through written comments that can be submitted to the public docket (see **ADDRESSES**).

#### Topic 1: Disease Symptoms and Daily Impacts That Matter Most to Patients

(1) Of all the symptoms that you experience because of your condition, which 1–3 symptoms have the most significant impact on your life? (Examples may include chronic pain, fatigue, difficulty concentrating, sleep disorders, etc.)

(2) Are there specific activities that are important to you but that you cannot do at all or as fully as you would like because of your condition? (Examples of activities may include sleeping through the night, daily hygiene, driving, household chores, etc.)

(a) How do your symptoms and their negative impacts affect your daily life on the best days? On the worst days?

(3) How have your condition and its symptoms changed over time?

(a) Do your symptoms come and go? If so, do you know of anything that makes your symptoms better? Worse?

(4) What worries you most about your condition?

#### Topic 2: Patients' Perspectives on Current Approaches to Treating Fibromyalgia

(1) What are you currently doing to help treat your condition or its symptoms? (Examples may include prescription medicines, over-the-counter products, and other therapies including non-drug therapies such as exercise or acupuncture)

(a) What specific symptoms do your treatments address?

(b) How has your treatment regimen changed over time, and why?

(2) How well does your current treatment regimen treat the most significant symptoms of your disease?

(a) How well do these treatments improve your ability to do specific activities that are important to you in your daily life?

(b) How well have these treatments worked for you as your condition has changed over time?

(3) What are the most significant downsides to your current treatments, and how do they affect your daily life? (Examples of downsides may include bothersome side effects, going to the hospital for treatment, restrictions on driving, etc.)

(4) What specific things would you look for in an ideal treatment for your condition?

#### B. Meeting Attendance and/or Participation

If you wish to attend this meeting, visit <https://patientfocusedfibromyalgia.eventbrite.com>. Please register by November 27, 2013. Those who are unable to attend the meeting in person can register to view a live webcast of the meeting. You will be asked to indicate in your registration whether you plan to attend in person or via the webcast. Your registration should also contain your complete contact information, including name, title, affiliation, address, email address, and phone number.

Seating will be limited, so early registration is recommended. Registration is free and will be on a first-come, first-served basis. However, FDA may limit the number of participants from each organization based on space limitations. Registrants will receive confirmation once they have been accepted. Onsite registration on the day of the meeting will be based on space availability. If you need special accommodations because of disability, please contact Graham Thompson (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) at least 7 days before the meeting.

Patients who are interested in presenting comments as part of the initial panel discussions will be asked to indicate in their registration which topic(s) they wish to address. These patients will also be asked to send a brief summary of responses to the topic questions to [PatientFocused@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:PatientFocused@fda.hhs.gov). Panelists will be notified of their selection soon after the close of registration on November 27, 2013. FDA will try to accommodate all patients and patient stakeholders who wish to speak, either through the panel discussion or audience participation; however, the duration of comments may be limited by time constraints.

Interested members of the public, including those who attend the meeting in person or through the webcast, are invited to provide electronic or written responses to the questions pertaining to Topics 1 and 2 to the public docket (see **ADDRESSES**). Comments may be submitted until February 10, 2013.

Dated: September 17, 2013.

**Leslie Kux,**

*Assistant Commissioner for Policy.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

##### Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. FDA–2013–N–0001]

#### Advisory Committee for Pharmaceutical Science and Clinical Pharmacology; Notice of Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

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 and Clinical Pharmacology.

*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 30, 2013, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Location:* FDA White Oak Campus, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 31 Conference Center, the Great Room (Rm. 1503), Silver Spring, MD 20993–0002. Information regarding special accommodations due to a disability, visitor parking, and transportation may be accessed at: <http://www.fda.gov/AdvisoryCommittees/default.htm>; under the heading “Resources for You,” click on “Public Meetings at the FDA White Oak Campus.” Please note that visitors to the White Oak Campus must enter through Building 1.

*Contact Person:* Kalyani Bhatt, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 31, Rm. 2417, Silver Spring, MD 20993–0002, 301–796–9001, FAX: 301–847–8533, email: [ACPS-CP@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:ACPS-CP@fda.hhs.gov), or FDA Advisory Committee Information Line, 1–800–741–8138 (301–443–0572 in the Washington, DC area). A notice in the **Federal Register** about last minute modifications that impact a previously announced advisory committee meeting cannot always be published quickly enough to provide timely notice. Therefore, you should always check the Agency's Web site at <http://www.fda.gov/AdvisoryCommittees/default.htm> and scroll down to the appropriate advisory committee meeting link, or call the advisory committee information line to learn about possible modifications before coming to the meeting.

*Agenda:* There will be two topics presented to the committee for their

discussion and consideration. During the first session, the Office of Pharmaceutical Science and the Office of Compliance will discuss with the committee the use of statistical methods for the evaluation of pharmaceutical product quality. The committee will receive presentations from the Agency on the need for objective metrics of product quality and some of the available statistical methods used by other industries in their quality assurance programs. Representatives from the pharmaceutical industry will provide the manufacturers' perspective.

During the second session, the committee will receive an update and status on research activities within the Office of Pharmaceutical Science supporting regulatory decision making. There will be presentations from the Office of Generic Drugs, the Office of Testing and Research, and the Office of Biotechnology Products. This will be an awareness topic and there will not be formal committee discussion or recommendation.

FDA intends to make background material available to the public no later than 2 business days before the meeting. If FDA is unable to post the background material on its Web site prior to the meeting, the background material will be made publicly available at the location of the advisory committee meeting, and the background material will be posted on FDA's Web site after the meeting. Background material is available at <http://www.fda.gov/AdvisoryCommittees/Calendar/default.htm>. Scroll down to the appropriate advisory committee meeting link.

**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 on or before October 16, 2013. Oral presentations from the public will be scheduled between approximately 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Those individuals interested in making formal oral presentations should notify the contact person 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 on or before October 7, 2013. Time allotted for each presentation may be limited. If the number of registrants requesting to speak is greater than can be reasonably accommodated during the scheduled open public hearing session, FDA may conduct a lottery to determine the speakers for the scheduled open public

hearing session. The contact person will notify interested persons regarding their request to speak by October 8, 2013.

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 Kalyani Bhatt at least 7 days in advance of the meeting.

FDA is committed to the orderly conduct of its advisory committee meetings. Please visit our Web site at <http://www.fda.gov/AdvisoryCommittees/AboutAdvisoryCommittees/ucm111462.htm> for procedures on public conduct during advisory committee meetings.

Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2).

Dated: September 17, 2013.

**Jill Hartzler Warner,**

*Acting Associate Commissioner for Special Medical Programs.*

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**Agenda:** There will be two topics presented to the committee for their discussion and consideration. During the first session, the Office of New Drug Quality Assessment will lead a discussion on the challenges and opportunities of continuous manufacturing for pharmaceutical products. Speakers from the Agency, academia, and industry will provide their thoughts on scientific and regulatory challenges for implementing continuous processes for drug substance and drug product manufacturing.

During the second session, the committee will receive an informational only update from the Office of Generic Drugs on what Agency actions/changes have taken place following previous discussions with the committee pertaining to quality and bioequivalence concerns for narrow therapeutic index drug products. This will be an awareness topic and there will not be formal committee discussion or recommendation.

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