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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Food and Drug Administration

MEDWATCH
The FDA Safety Information and Adverse Event Reporting Program

Form FDA 3500

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FDA USE ONLY

Triage unit sequence #	
FDA Rec. Date	

For VOLUNTARY reporting of adverse events, product problems and product use/medication errors

Note: For date prompts of "dd-mmm-yyyy" please use 2-digit day, 3-letter month abbreviation, and 4-digit year; for example, 01-Jan-1900.

A. PATIENT INFORMATION

1. **Patient Identifier** *(In confidence)*

2. Age
☐ Year(s) ☐ Week(s)
☐ Month(s) ☐ Day(s)

or Date of Birth *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*

3. **Sex:** Enter the patient's sex at birth *(the sex that a person has or was assigned to at birth).*
☐ Male
☐ Female

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4. **Weight**
☐ lb
☐ kg

5. **Ethnicity** *(Check one)*
☐ Hispanic/Latino
☐ Not Hispanic/Latino

6. **Race** *(check all that apply)*
☐ American Indian/Alaska Native
☐ Asian
☐ Black or African American
☐ Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander
☐ White

B. ADVERSE EVENT, PRODUCT PROBLEM

1. **Type of Report** *(check all that apply)*
☐ Adverse Event
☐ Product Use/Medication Error
☐ Product Problem *(e.g., defects/malfunctions)*
☐ Problem with Different Manufacturer of Same Medicine

2. **Outcome Attributed to Adverse Event** *(check all that apply)*
☐ Death – Date of death *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900):*
☐ Life-threatening
☐ Hospitalization (initial or prolonged)
☐ Other Serious or Important Medical Events
☐ Required Intervention to Prevent Permanent Impairment/Damage
☐ Disability or Permanent Damage
☐ Congenital Anomaly/Birth Defects

3. **Date of Event** *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*

4. **Date of this Report** *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*

5. **Describe Event, Problem or Product Use/Medication Error**

Characters Remaining (max. 4,000):

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Submission of a report does not constitute an admission that medical personnel or the product caused or contributed to the event.
* Please see instructions

6. **Relevant Test/Laboratory Data**	**Date** *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*	**Relevant Test/Laboratory Data**	**Date** *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*

Additional comments Characters Remaining (max. 2,000):

7. **Other Relevant History, Including Preexisting Medical Conditions** *(e.g., allergies, pregnancy, tobacco product use, liver/kidney problems, etc.)* Characters Remaining (max. 2,000):

C. PRODUCT AVAILABILITY

1. **Product Available for Evaluation?** *(Do not send product to FDA)*
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Returned to Manufacturer on *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)* ☐

2. **Do you have a picture of the product?**
(Check if you are including a picture) ☐ Yes

D. SUSPECT PRODUCTS

SUSPECT PRODUCT #1

This report involves: ☐ Cosmetic ☐ Dietary supplement ☐ Food/medical food ☐ Other

1. **Name, Strength, Manufacturer/Compounder** *(from product label).*

Product Name	Strength	Unit

NDC # or Unique ID	Manufacturer/ Compounder Name	Lot #

2. **Dose or Amount** | **Frequency** | **Route**

Unit | **Other Frequency** | **Other Route**

3. **Treament Dates/Therapy Dates** *(give best estimate of length of treatment (start/stop) or date of dose reduction.)*

Therapy started on *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*	Therapy stopped on *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*	Dose reduced on *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*	**OR**	Duration	Unit

Is therapy still on-going? ☐ Yes ☐ No

4. **Diagnosis for use** *(indication)*

5. **Product Type** *(check all that apply)*
☐ OTC ☐ Generic ☐ Compounded ☐ Biosimilar

6. **Expiration Date** *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*

7. **Event Abated after use Stopped or Dose Reduced?**
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Doesn't apply

8. **Event Reappeared after Reintroduction?**
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Doesn't apply

SUSPECT PRODUCT #2

This report involves: ☐ Cosmetic ☐ Dietary supplement ☐ Food/medical food ☐ Other

1. **Name, Strength, Manufacturer/Compounder** *(from product label).*

Product Name	Strength	Unit

NDC # or Unique ID	Manufacturer/ Compounder Name	Lot #

2. **Dose or Amount** | **Frequency** | **Route**

Unit | **Other Frequency** | **Other Route**

3. **Treament Dates/Therapy Dates** *(give best estimate of length of treatment (start/stop) or date of dose reduction.)*

Therapy started on *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*	Therapy stopped on *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*	Dose reduced on *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*	**OR**	Duration	Unit

Is therapy still on-going? ☐ Yes ☐ No

4. **Diagnosis for use** *(indication)*

5. **Product Type** *(check all that apply)*
☐ OTC ☐ Generic ☐ Compounded ☐ Biosimilar

6. **Expiration Date** *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*

7. **Event Abated after use Stopped or Dose Reduced?**
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Doesn't apply

8. **Event Reappeared after Reintroduction?**
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Doesn't apply

E. SUSPECT MEDICAL DEVICE

1. **Brand Name**

2a. **Common Device Name**

2b. **Procode**

3. **Manufacurer Name, City and State**

4. **Model #**

Lot #

Catalog #

Expiration Date *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*

Serial #

Unique Device Identifier *(UDI)* **#**

5. **Operator of device**

☐ Health Professional ☐ Patient/Consumer ☐ Other

6a. **If Implanted, Give Date** *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*

6b. **If Explanted, Give Date** *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*

7a. **Is this a single-use device that was reprocessed and reused on a patient?**

☐ Yes ☐ No

7b. **If Yes to Item 7a, Enter Name, Address of Reprocessor**

8. **Was this device ever serviced by a third-party servicer?**

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

F. OTHER (CONCOMITANT) MEDICAL PRODUCTS

1. **Product names and therapy dates** *(Exclude treatment of event)*

	Product Name	Therapy Start Date *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*	Therapy End Date *(e.g., 01-Jan-1900)*
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G. REPORTER *(See confidentiality section on next page)*

1. **Name and Address**

Last Name	First Name

Address

City	State/Province/Region	ZIP/Postal Code

Country

Phone #	Email

2. **Health Professional?**	3. **Occupation**	4. **Also Reported to:**
☐ Yes ☐ No		☐ Manufacturer/Compounder ☐ User Facility ☐ Distributor/Importer

5. **If you do NOT want your identity disclosed to the manufacturer, please mark this box:** ☐

ADVICE ABOUT VOLUNTARY REPORTING

Detailed instructions available at:
https://www.fda.gov/safety/medwatch-forms-fda-safety-reporting/instructions-completing-form-fda-3500

Report adverse events, product problems or product use errors with:

- Medications(drugs or biologics)
- Medical devices (including diabetes glucose-test kit, hearing aids, breast pumps, and many more)
- Combination products(medication & medical devices)
- Blood transfusions, gene therapies, and human cells and tissue transplants (for example, tendons, bone, and corneas)
- Special nutritional products(dietary supplements, medical foods, infant formulas)
- Cosmetics (such as moisturizers, makeup, shampoos and conditioners, face and body washes, deodorants, nail care products, hair dyes and relaxers, and tattoos)
- Food (including beverages and ingredients added to foods)

Report product problems – quality, performance or safety concerns such as:

- Suspected counterfeit product
- Suspected contamination
- Questionable stability
- Defective components
- Poor packaging or labeling
- Therapeutic failures (product didn't work)

Report SERIOUS adverse events. An event is serious when the patient outcome is:

- Death
- Life-threatening
- Hospitalization (initial or prolonged)
- Disability or permanent damage
- Congenital anomaly/birth defect
- Required intervention to prevent permanent impairment or damage
- Other serious (important medical events)

Report even if:

- You're not certain the product caused the event
- You don't have all the details
- Just fill in the sections that apply to your report

How to report:

- Use section D for all products except medical devices
- Attach additional pages if needed
- Use a separate form for each patient
- Report either to FDA or the manufacturer (or both)

How to submit report:

- To report by phone, call toll-free: 1-800-FDA (332)-1088
- To fax report: 1-800-FDA (332)-0178
- To report online: www.fda.gov/medwatch/report.htm

If your report involves a serious adverse event with a device and it occurred in a facility outside a doctor's office, that facility may be legally required to report to FDA and/or the manufacturer. Please notify the person in that facility who would handle such reporting.

Where to submit adverse events related to the following products:

- If your report involves an animal drug, device, pet food and livestock feed problems, go to http://www.fda.gov/vetproductreporting
- If your report involves a health problem or a product problem with a tobacco product, go to https://www.safetyreporting.hhs.gov or call 1-877-287-1373 to report.
- If your report involves an adverse event with a vaccine, go to http://vaers.hhs.gov to report or call 1-800-822-7967.

Confidentiality:
The patient's identity is held in strict confidence by FDA and protected to the fullest extent of the law. The reporter's identity, including the identity of a self-reporter, may be shared with the manufacturer unless requested otherwise.

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Food and Drug Administration
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