

Activity Outline
FDA Grand Rounds: Closer to Zero
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Virtual - Adobe Platform

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Series Description

The FDA Grand Rounds is webcast every other month to highlight cutting-edge research underway across the agency and its impact on protecting and advancing public health. Each session features an FDA scientist presenting on a key public health challenge and how FDA is applying science to its regulatory activities.

Lecture Description

FDA's Closer to Zero initiative is the agency's action plan for reducing exposure to toxic elements, including lead, arsenic, cadmium, and mercury, in foods for babies and young children. Closer to Zero utilizes a multi-phase, science-based, iterative approach for achieving continual improvements over time, laying out plans to further reduce the levels of toxic elements in foods. The plan includes advancing research and evaluation of changes in dietary exposures to toxic elements, setting action levels, encouraging adoption of best practices by industry, increasing targeted compliance and enforcement activities, and monitoring progress of levels over time.

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Series Objectives

- Discuss the research conducted at the FDA
- Explain how FDA science impacts public health

Learning Objectives After completion of this activity, the participant will be able to:

- Discuss why lead, arsenic, cadmium, and mercury are present in foods.
- Explain the challenges of reducing the presence of the contaminants in foods.
- Identify the difference between a reference level of exposure to a contaminant and an action level for a contaminant in foods.
- Examine the various of activities the FDA participates in to support the Closer to Zero initiative.

Target Audience

This activity is intended for physicians, pharmacists, nurses, and other scientists within the agency external scientific communities.

Agenda

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Time	Topic	Speaker
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Disclosure

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