

Food and Drug Administration Rockville MD 20857

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Kenneth E. Brody Pennsylvania Deptpartment of Health Room 825, Health and Welfare Building Commonwealth Avenue and Forster Street P.O. Box 90 Harrisburg, PA 17108

Dear Mr. Brody:

Your petition requesting the Food and Drug Administration to issue an advisory opinion on whether FDA regulations on medical devices do not preempt a Pennsylvania regulation that permits laboratories to accept human specimens for testing only upon request by a member of the healing arts or other person designated by statute, which does not include a health care consumer, was received by this office on 08/30/01. It was assigned docket number 01A-0375/AP 1 and it was filed on 08/30/01. Please refer to this docket number in future correspondence on this subject with the Agency.

Please note that the acceptance of the petition for filing is a procedural matter in that it in no way reflects an agency decision on the substantive merits of the petition.

Sincerely,

Jennie Butler

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