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We would like to request that item 5.9 of agenda item No.6 in the draft guidelines for vitamin and mineral supplements should be DELETED. Every citizen is the real gatekeeper for truthful and non-misleading information about nutrition. To label food supplements in a manner to lead the consumer to believe that one should only depend on the advice of a medical doctor, dietician or nutritionist to be able to make a choice of nutritional supplementation is a misleading statement. The major majority of doctors have little or no training, experience or interest in nutrition or supplementation. To make these groups the gatekeepers for a field of nutritional supplementation that is not the priority or emphasis of their formal education and training does not make real or logical sense.

The above labeling proposal should be eliminated because it is in violation of the US law, the DSHEA of 1994.

Thank You