Reese, Cicely

From: Katrina Harvey

Sent: Monday, November 28, 2005 10:31 AM

To: Reese, Cicely

Subject: Re: FDA Hearing on Friday, 12/2 on AD/HD Skin Patch

Hello Ms. Reese,

My name is Katrina Harvey. I'm concerned about this new delivery mechanism the FDA is considering. The reason for my concern is due to the fact that I absolutely know that the using the mechanism of giving medicine through a patch is very dangerous! I was 28 years old when I had a stroke from using the birth control patch. I didn't smoke, drink or do drugs; nor did my family have a history of stroke. All the doctors could do was attribute the stroke to the birth control patch I was wearing. I thank God that I didn't die and leave my two children without a mother. I still suffer some side effects from the stroke (tingling sensation up and down the left side of my body and memory loss), but what I went through was very, very, frightening. I loss my peripheral vision in both eyes and I could make out figures of people and their faces barely. This went on for about 3 months. I To make a long story short I very much object to the FDA going this route. If the birth control patch can cause me to have a stroke then think about what it could do to children. I can't physically be at the hearing, but I would like for the Advisory Committee to know what happened with me; I survived most people don't and I thank God for his healing power. Please take into consideration the side effects of anyone especially children wearing a skin patch that administers lethal doses of medication.

If more information is needed to prove my situation (hospital records, x-rays, etc...) I can be reached at 410-288-0167 or kharvey@dhmh.state.md.us.
Thank you for allowing my voice to be heard.

Katrina Harvey

>>> "Ruth Hughes" <ruth_hughes@chadd.org> 11/23/05 2:51 PM >>> To: DC, MD and VA CHADD Members

CHADD has recently become aware that the Food and Drug Administration is considering an AD/HD medication with a new delivery mechanism, a transdermal (skin) patch, this coming Friday, December 2nd. A skin patch can be useful for children who have difficulty swallowing pills. The FDA Drugs Advisory Committee will be meeting at the Hilton Hotel, 620 Perry Parkway in Gaithersburg, Maryland. Public comment will be accepted from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm.

If you are interested in providing public comment at the hearing, it is imperative that the FDA receive your name as soon as possible (Friday 11/25 is best or Monday 11/28 before noon at the latest). Given the very tight time frame, you can contact Russ Shipley at CHADD and he will forward your contact information to the FDA project officer. Russ can be contacted at russ_shipley@chadd.org or by calling (301) 306-7070 ext 110.

If you would like to contact the FDA directly, contact Cicely Reese, center for Drug Evaluation and Research (HFD-21), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rm 1093, Rockville, MD, 20857, (301) 827-7001, email: ReeseCI@cder.fda.gov.

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