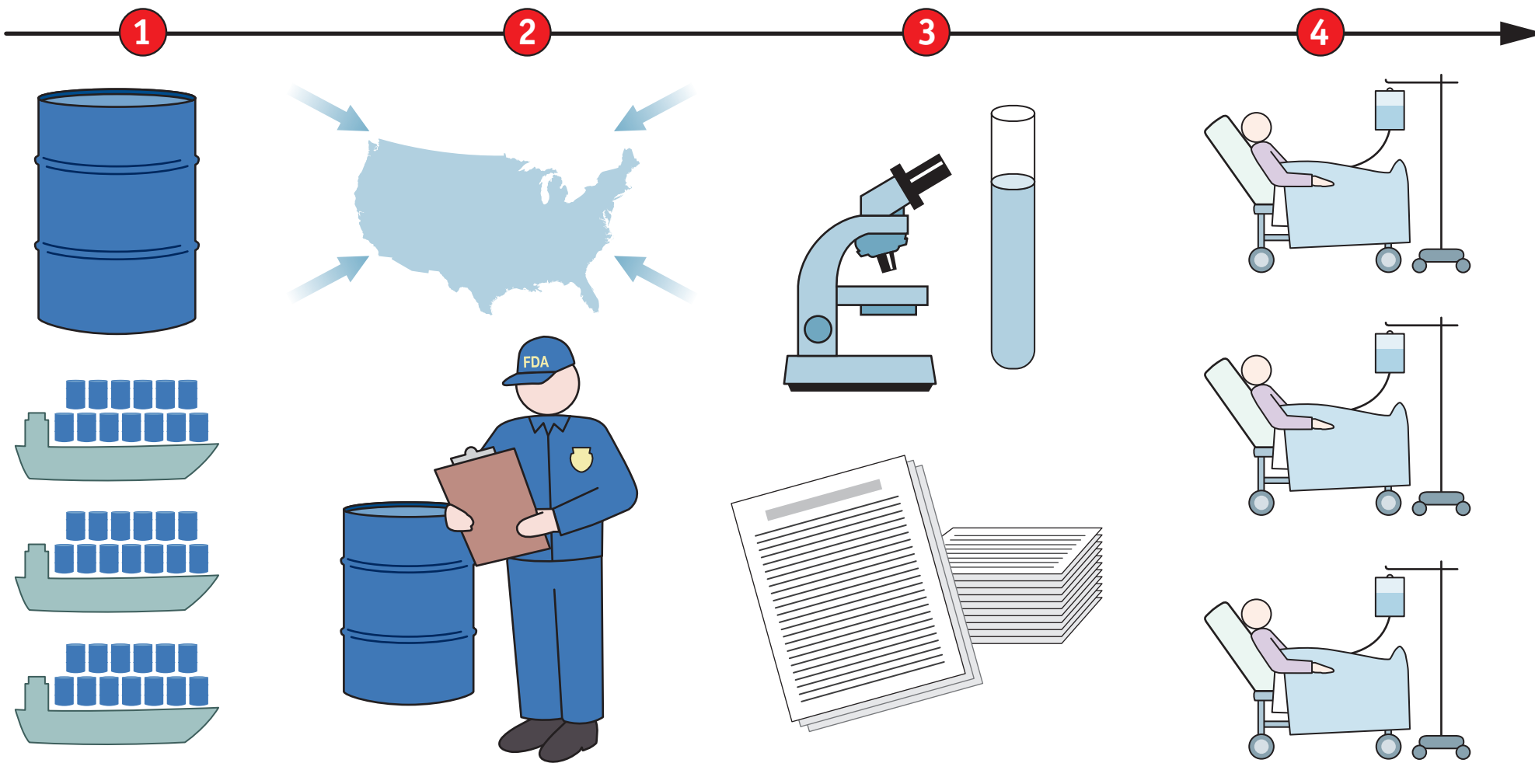


# Heparin, Import Alert – FDA’s Role



Main heparin update page: [www.fda.gov/cder/drug/infopage/heparin/default.htm](http://www.fda.gov/cder/drug/infopage/heparin/default.htm)

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## PRODUCT ENTRY

Heparin, including Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient (API) and finished heparin, enter U.S. ports from overseas.

## IMPORT ALERT

FDA issues import alert on shipments from specified manufacturer and product. If product is imported from manufacturer, investigators will detain shipment.

## INDUSTRY & FDA RESPONSE

If industry provides information and FDA confirms that appropriate corrections have been made, FDA will remove the manufacturer and product from the import alert.

## SAFE PRODUCT SUPPLIED

FDA continues to engage with industry to help ensure adequate supply of safe heparin reaches patients.