MEMORANDUM

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION CENTER FOR DRUG EVALUATION AND RESEARCH

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To:

Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305)

From:

Melissa Lamb

Office of Generic Drugs

Subject: An Overview of the office of Generic Drugs

This memorandum forwards overheads of a presentation to the Dockets Management Branch for inclusion in Docket 90S-0308. The following is information on the presentation for the Docket records:

Title of Presentation:

An Overview of the office of Generic Drugs

Presented for:

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February 5, 2001

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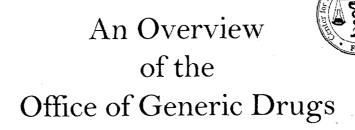
Gary Buehler, Acting Director

Office of Generic Drugs

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Attachment



Gary J. Buehler
Acting Director
Office of Generic Drugs

February 5, 2001

Office of Generic Drugs' Mission Statement



To ensure through a scientific and regulatory process, that generic drugs are safe and effective for the American public.

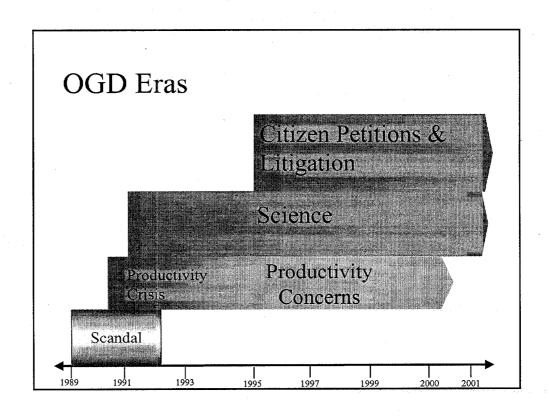
Did you know that Generic Drugs...

- Are safe and effective alternatives to brand name prescriptions
- Can help both consumers and the government reduce the cost of prescription drugs
- Mare currently used in 43% of all prescriptions dispensed
- Save an average of \$45.50 for every prescription sold

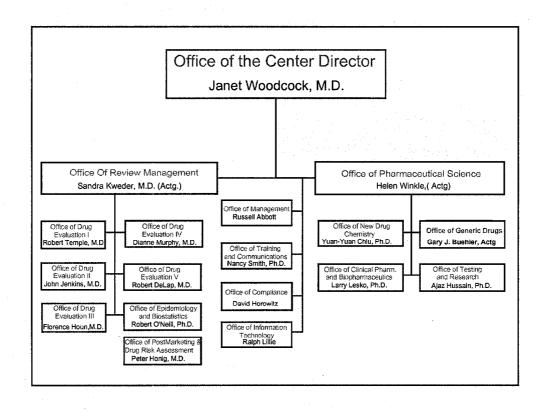
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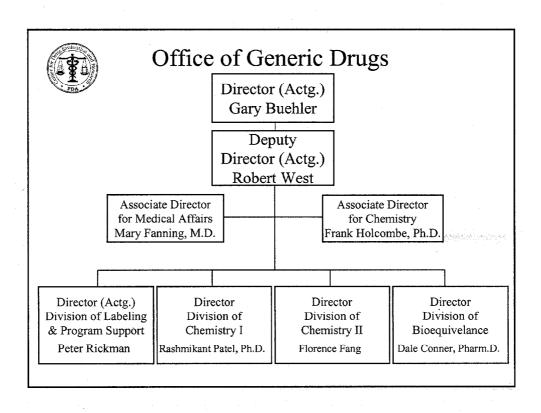
- Currently save consumers \$56.7 billion/year
- Can save consumers an additional \$1.32 billion/year for every 1% increase in the use of generic drugs
- Can save consumers an additional \$22 billion/year if generic drug alternatives were used in 60% of all the prescriptions sold.

Source: National Association of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers, December 15, 2000

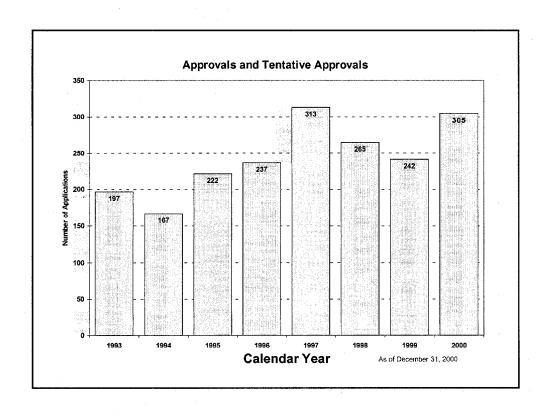


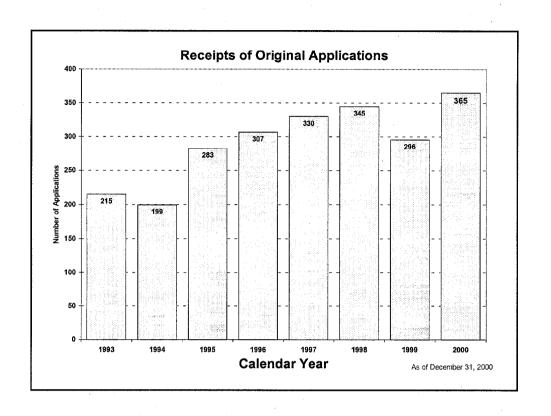
OGD
Organizational Structure and
Operations

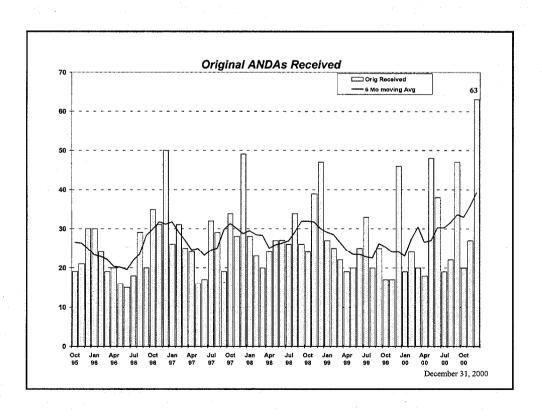


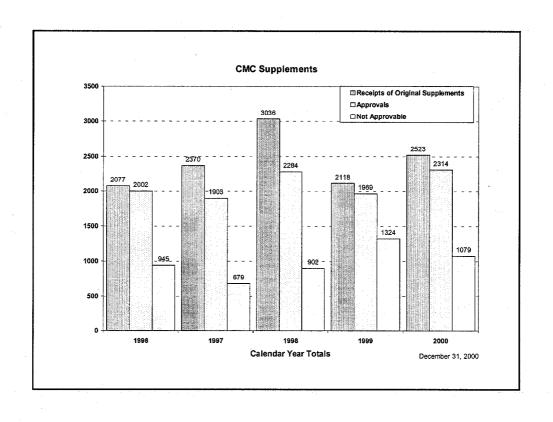


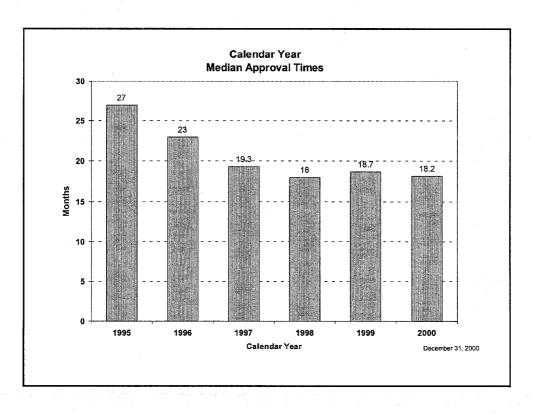
Breakdown of Onboard FTEs - OGD Total 141 Chemists 65 Pharmacologists 15 **Pharmacists** 37 Medical Officer 1 Math Statistician Microbiologists Computer Specialist Admin/Support Staff 16 December 31, 2000 No positions are funded by User Fees











Public Perception of Generic Drug Products

"Generic Drugs are Safe, Effective Alternatives to Brand Names"

- Working with Trade Associations
- Internal Efforts
- Establishing Ties with Outside Organizations
 - Physicians
 - Pharmacists
 - Public

Into the Future

- Continue emphasis on communication with industry
 - Next OGD-Industry Meeting >Spring 2001
 - Controlled Correspondence
 - Web Initiatives
- Move forward with review refinements
- Emphasize quality of work life/training for OGD staff
- Focus on Science Base

