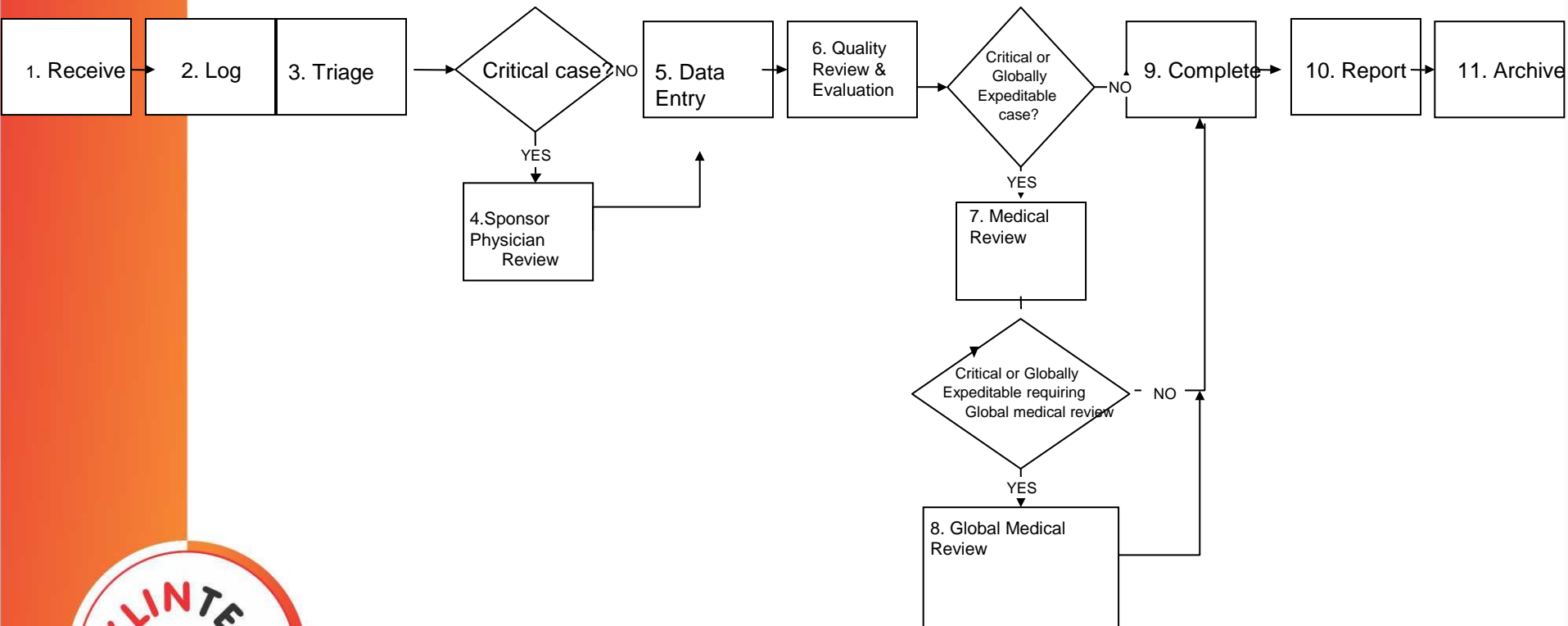


# Processing of individual cases (ICSRs)



# Global Case Handling Process Overview



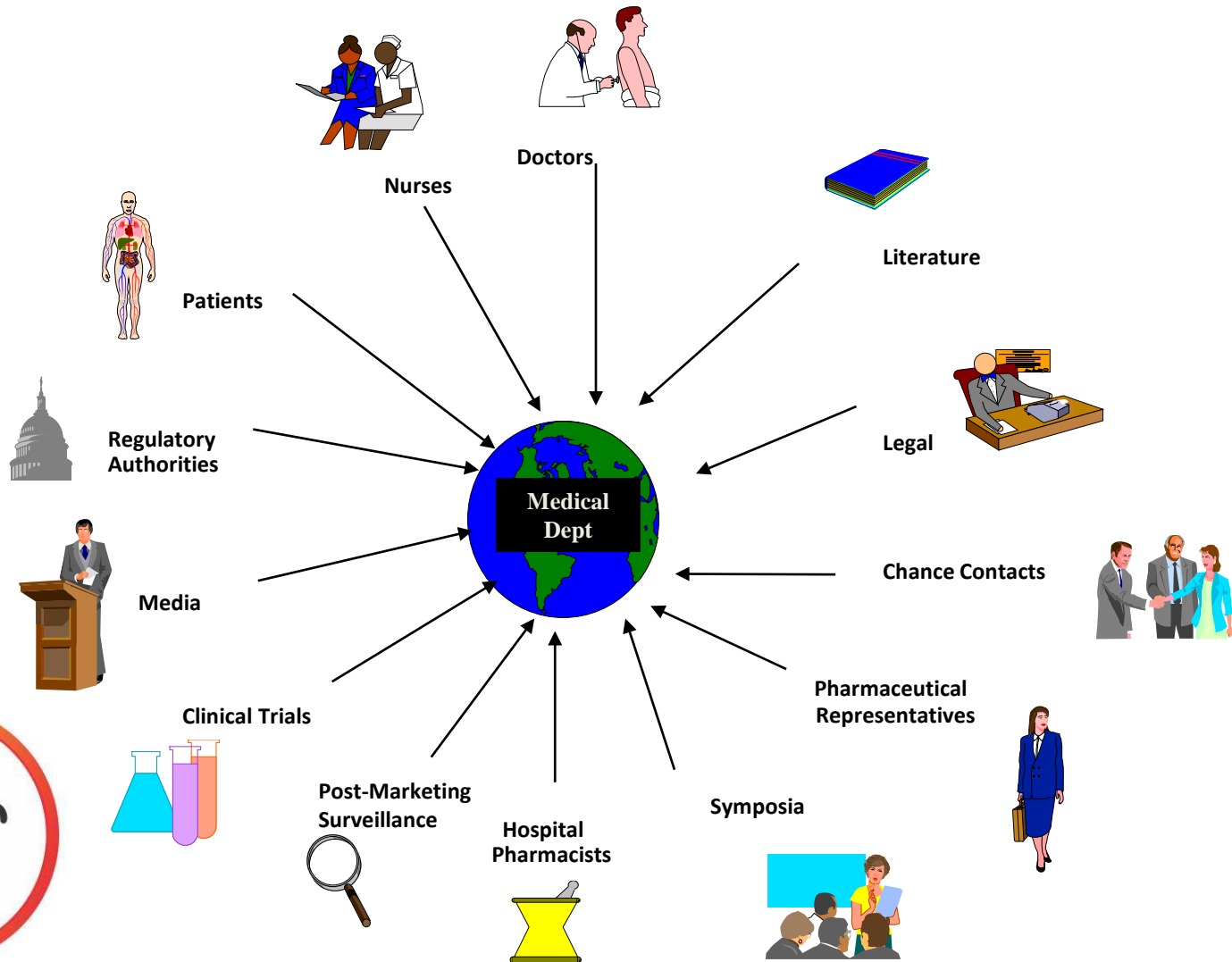
# Steps in case handling

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- AE Occurs : Receive – Triage-Process- Review - Complete
- Based on pharmacovigilance policies, regulations and guidance documents, the process can be summarized as follows:
  1. Creation of individual case from multiple source of safety information such as clinical trials, safety call centers, spontaneous reports, literature searches, internet monitoring
  2. Processing of each case and assessment of its relationship to the investigational product
  3. Reporting to the regulatory authorities and other stakeholders, either as an expedited report or as a part of an aggregate report



# Sources of AEs



# Acknowledgement – Why?

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- Encourages further reporting
- Ensures cooperation if more info is wanted
- Builds company image
- Protects the company
- Assists marketing, improves liaison, ensures future prescriptions
- No acknowledgement = more duplicates



# Triage origins!!!

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- A process for sorting injured people into groups based on their need for or likely benefit from immediate medical treatment. Triage is used in hospital emergency rooms, on battlefields, and at disaster sites when limited medical resources must be allocated
- **1.** (Medicine) the principle or practice of sorting casualties in battle or disaster or other patients into categories of priority for treatment
- **2.** (Government, Politics & Diplomacy) the principle or practice of allocating limited resources, as of food or foreign aid, on a basis of expediency rather than according to moral principles or the needs of the recipients



# Triage

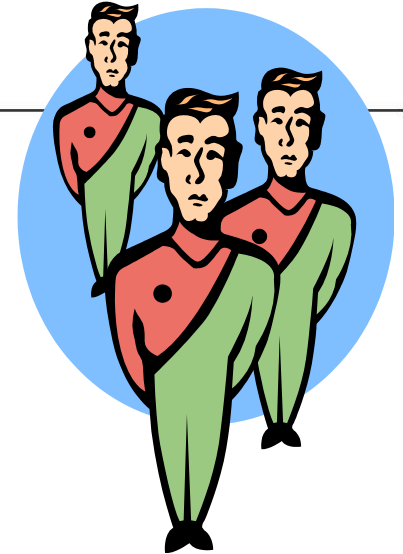
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- Assess case for validity as per regulations
- Duplicate search
- Determine regulatory clock start date
- Is the case initial or follow up
- Assess AE terms
- Is the case serious? Expected? Related?
- Is it active or blinded?
- Determine reporting priority
- Send for processing



# Duplicate Search

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- Common phenomenon
  - Multiple agencies
  - Greater awareness
  - Strict regulations
- Significance to further processing: If follow up, could alter case seriousness & reporting timelines
- Damage potential :
  - Can mislead signal detection systems, improper generation of signals
  - Regulatory action if delayed





# Duplicate Search

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- Patient, reporter, product , event & permutations
- Patient – identification, location, study
- Reporter – address ,city, street, hospital, HCP/ consumer,
- Change of reporter from consumer to HCP makes case medically confirmed
- Change of info could diminish seriousness of case
- Event – new additions to past report could change seriousness
- Causality – HCP could change his mind about the causality



# Case processing

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- Assign identification # and assign for data entry
- Perform data entry
- Coding ( AE terms, drugs)
- Identify missing case elements
- Followup for completion
- Prepare narrative
- Review



# Case narrative- importance

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- Provides summary of events to readers who do not have access to original data sets
  - Seen/used by various groups
    - case reviewers to decide seriousness, upgrade etc
    - affiliates to triage for their countries,
    - regulatory authorities,
    - during preparation of PSURs and other summary reports
  - Essential to follow company & CIOMS guidelines, ensure completeness, chronology and sufficient detail to come to a conclusion
- It should be ready to be pasted into any report



# Review

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- Quality
  - Check for accuracy
  - Check for consistency
  - Check for completeness
- Medical and scientific
  - Confirm triage
  - Check case for medical sense
  - Request non routine follow up if appropriate
  - Make company causality assessment for upgrades or in absence of investigator causality



# Medical review contd

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- Appropriateness of the AE terms selected.
  - Confirmation of the seriousness classification of the AE terms.
  - Agreement with the listedness/expectedness classification of AE terms, outcome classification. coding of AEs, concomitant conditions, and medical history.
  - Review of the narrative -it makes clinical sense and includes all important elements
  - Authoring the company clinical comment, including determination of the company causality assessment, when appropriate.
  - Identification of any specific additional information needed for medical assessment purposes other than routine follow-up requests required for case completion.
  - Upgrade or downgrade to the case's regulatory reportability
  - Identification of potential safety signals.
- A rapid and clearly understood error resolution process must support case review



# Drug Safety Physician

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Drug-safety physicians are often confronted, especially in relation to spontaneous reporting, with incomplete information on observed adverse events. To make the best use of the information received, they need **medical commonsense, experience** and — when collecting additional information — communication skills.

Having collected all the needed information available, the drug-safety physician is supposed to write a **medical evaluation** — including a diagnosis, a **comment on the causal role** of the drug in question, and **alternative explanations**—and a discussion of any action that needs to be taken.



# Case completion

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- Case reviewed
- Incorporate requested changes
- Request expedited report (if required) with attachments & supporting correspondence
- Distribute globally
- Produce and forward expedited report (if reqd)
  - Send to reg authorities as appropriate
  - Circulate to internal company personnel
  - Send to external partners ( licensees, distributors)
- Generate requested follow up (if required)
- Archive case



# Forms

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- Various forms are used to report AEs
- 3500A (Medwatch Form)
- Council for International Organization of Medical Science (CIOMS I Foreign) or other form if approved in advance





## SUSPECT ADVERSE REACTION REPORT

## I. REACTION INFORMATION

1. PATIENT INITIALS (first, last)	1a. COUNTRY	2. DATE OF BIRTH			2a. AGE Years	3. SEX	4-6 REACTION ONSET			8-12 CHECK ALL APPROPRIATE TO ADVERSE REACTION
		Day	Month	Year			Day	Month	Year	
7 + 13 DESCRIBE REACTION(S) (including relevant tests/lab data)										<input type="checkbox"/> PATIENT DIED <input type="checkbox"/> INVOLVED OR PROLONGED INPATIENT HOSPITALISATION <input type="checkbox"/> INVOLVED PERSISTENCE OR SIGNIFICANT DISABILITY OR INCAPACITY <input type="checkbox"/> LIFE THREATENING

## II. SUSPECT DRUG(S) INFORMATION

14. SUSPECT DRUG(S) (include generic name)		20 DID REACTION ABATE AFTER STOPPING DRUG? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NA
15. DAILY DOSE(S)	16. ROUTE(S) OF ADMINISTRATION	21. DID REACTION REAPPEAR AFTER REINTRODUCTION? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NA
17. INDICATION(S) FOR USE		
18. THERAPY DATES (from/to)	19. THERAPY DURATION	

## III. CONCOMITANT DRUG(S) AND HISTORY

22. CONCOMITANT DRUG(S) AND DATES OF ADMINISTRATION (exclude those used to treat reaction)
23. OTHER RELEVANT HISTORY (e.g. diagnostics, allergics, pregnancy with last month of period, etc.)

## IV. MANUFACTURER INFORMATION

24a. NAME AND ADDRESS OF MANUFACTURER		
	24b. MFR CONTROL NO.	
24c. DATE RECEIVED BY MANUFACTURER	24d. REPORT SOURCE <input type="checkbox"/> STUDY <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE <input type="checkbox"/> HEALTH PROFESSIONAL	
DATE OF THIS REPORT	25a. REPORT TYPE <input type="checkbox"/> INITIAL <input type="checkbox"/> FOLLOWUP	



# SUSPECTED ADVERSE DRUG

# REACTION REPORTING FORM

**CDSO**  
**Central Drugs Standard Control Organization**  
 Directorate General of Health Services,  
 Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India,  
 Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi - 110011  
 www.cdsco.nic.in

For **VOLUNTARY** reporting  
 of Adverse Drug Reactions  
 by health care professionals

Report # \_\_\_\_\_

To be filled in by Pharmacovigilance  
 centres receiving the form.

A. Patient information			
1. Patient Identifier Initials _____ In confidence	2. Age at time of event: or Date of Birth: _____	3. Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	4. Weight: _____ Kgs

B. Suspected Adverse Reaction	
5. Date of reaction started (dd/mm/yy):	_____
6. Date of recovery (dd/mm/yy):	_____
7. Describe reaction or problem	

12. Relevant tests/ laboratory data, including dates
13. Other relevant history, including pre-existing medical conditions (e.g., allergies, race, pregnancy, smoking alcohol use, hepatic/ renal dysfunction, etc.)
14. Seriousness of the reaction
<input type="checkbox"/> Death (dd/mm/yy) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Congenital anomaly <input type="checkbox"/> Life threatening <input type="checkbox"/> Required intervention to prevent permanent impairment/ damage <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitalization-initial or prolonged <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Disability
15. Outcomes
<input type="checkbox"/> Fatal <input type="checkbox"/> Recovering <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Continuing <input type="checkbox"/> Recovered <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____

C. Suspected medication(s)										
Sl. No.	8. Name (brand and / or generic name)	Manufactur- er (if known)	Batch No. / Lot No. (if known)	Exp. Date (if known)	Dose used	Route used	Frequency	Therapy dates (if unknown, give duration)		Reason for Use or prescribed for
								Date started	Date stopped	
I										
II										
III										
IV										

Sl. No. As per C	9. Reaction abated after drug stopped or dose reduced					10. Reaction reappeared after reintroduction				
	Yes	No	Unknown	NA	Reduced dose	Yes	No	Unknown	NA	If reintroduced, dose
I										
II										
III										
IV										

11. Concomitant medical products and therapy dates including self medication and herbal remedies (exclude those used to treat reaction)

D. Reporter (see confidentiality section in first page)	
16. Name and Professional Address: _____	
Pin code: _____ E-mail: _____	
Cell No. / Tel. No. with STD Code: _____	
Speciality: _____	Signature: _____
17. Occupation	18. Date of this report (dd/mm/yy)



**VACCINE ADVERSE EVENT REPORTING SYSTEM**

24 Hour Toll Free Information 1-800-822-7967

P.O. Box 1100, Rockville, MD 20849-1100

**PATIENT IDENTITY KEPT CONFIDENTIAL****For CDC/FDA Use Only**

VAERS Number \_\_\_\_\_

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Patient Name:</b> Last _____ First _____ M.I. _____ Address _____ _____ _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Telephone no. (____) _____			<b>Vaccine administered by (Name):</b> _____ <b>Responsible Physician</b> _____ <b>Facility Name/Address</b> _____ _____ _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Telephone no. (____) _____			<b>Form completed by (Name):</b> _____ <b>Relation</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Vaccine Provider <input type="checkbox"/> Patient/Parent to Patient <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturer <input type="checkbox"/> Other <b>Address (if different from patient or provider)</b> _____ _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Telephone no. (____) _____			
1. State	2. County where administered	3. Date of birth mm / dd / yy	4. Patient age	5. Sex <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	6. Date form completed mm / dd / yy				
7. Describe adverse events(s) (symptoms, signs, time course) and treatment, if any _____ _____ _____				8. Check all appropriate: <input type="checkbox"/> Patient died (date mm / dd / yy) <input type="checkbox"/> Life threatening illness <input type="checkbox"/> Required emergency room/doctor visit <input type="checkbox"/> Required hospitalization (____ days) <input type="checkbox"/> Resulted in prolongation of hospitalization <input type="checkbox"/> Resulted in permanent disability <input type="checkbox"/> None of the above					
9. Patient recovered <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> UNKNOWN				10. Date of vaccination mm / dd / yy AM Time _____ PM		11. Adverse event onset mm / dd / yy AM Time _____ PM			
12. Relevant diagnostic tests/laboratory data _____ _____									
13. Enter all vaccines given on date listed in no. 10									
Vaccine (type)		Manufacturer		Lot number		Route/Site		No. Previous Doses	
a. _____		_____		_____		_____		_____	
b. _____		_____		_____		_____		_____	
c. _____		_____		_____		_____		_____	
d. _____		_____		_____		_____		_____	
14. Any other vaccinations within 4 weeks prior to the date listed in no. 10									
Vaccine (type)		Manufacturer		Lot number		Route/Site		No. Previous doses	Date given
a. _____		_____		_____		_____		_____	_____
b. _____		_____		_____		_____		_____	_____
15. Vaccinated at: <input type="checkbox"/> Private doctor's office/hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Public health clinic/hospital			<input type="checkbox"/> Military clinic/hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Other/unknown			16. Vaccine purchased with: <input type="checkbox"/> Private funds <input type="checkbox"/> Public funds			17. Other medications
18. Illness at time of vaccination (specify) _____			19. Pre-existing physician-diagnosed allergies, birth defects, medial conditions(specify) _____						
20. Have you reported this adverse event previously? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> To health department <input type="checkbox"/> To doctor <input type="checkbox"/> To manufacturer			<b>Only for children 5 and under</b>						
21. Adverse event following prior vaccination (check all applicable, specify) Adverse Event      Onset Age      Type Vaccine      Dose no. in series  <input type="checkbox"/> In patient <input type="checkbox"/> In brother or sister			22. Birth weight _____ lb. _____ oz.			23. No. of brother and sisters _____			
			24. Mfr./imm. proj. report no.			25. Date received by mfr./imm.proj.			
			26. 15 day report? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			27. Report type <input type="checkbox"/> Initial <input type="checkbox"/> Follow-Up			
Health care providers and manufacturers are required by law (42 USC 300aa-25) to report reactions to vaccines listed in the Table of Reportable Events Following Immunization. Reports for reactions to other vaccines are voluntary except when required as a condition of immunization grant awards.									



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importers, distributors and manufacturers  
for MANDATORY reporting**MEDWATCH**

FORM FDA 3500A (6/10)

General Instructions

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Mfr Report #	Mfr_Report
UF/Importer Report #	UF_Importer_Report
FDA Use Only	

A. PATIENT INFORMATION		Section A - Help	
1. Patient Identifier 10416  In confidence	2. Age at Time of Event: 13 Years or Date of Birth: 06/23/1997	3. Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male	4. Weight ____ lbs or 44 kgs
B. ADVERSE EVENT OR PRODUCT PROBLEM		Section B - Help	
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adverse Event and/or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Product Problem (e.g., defects/malfunctions)			
2. Outcomes Attributed to Adverse Event (Check all that apply)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Death: _____ (mm/dd/yyyy) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disability or Permanent Damage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Life-threatening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Congenital Anomaly/Birth Defect <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hospitalization - initial or prolonged <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Serious (Important Medical Events) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Required Intervention to Prevent Permanent Impairment/Damage (Devices)			
3. Date of Event (mm/dd/yyyy)		4. Date of This Report (mm/dd/yyyy) 06/11/2011	
5. Describe Event or Problem DESCRIBE			

C. SUSPECT PRODUCT(S)		Section C - Help	
1. Name (Give labeled strength & mfr/labeler)			
#1 NAME_1			
#2 NAME_2			
2. Dose, Frequency & Route Used		3. Therapy Dates (If unknown, give duration from/to (or best estimate))	
#1 DOSE_1		#1 THERAPY_1	
#2 DOSE_2		#2 THERAPY_2	
4. Diagnosis for Use (Indication)		5. Event Abated After Use Stopped or Dose Reduced?	
#1 DIAGNOSIS_1		#1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doesn't Apply	
#2 DIAGNOSIS_2		#2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doesn't Apply	
6. Lot #	7. Exp. Date	8. Event Reappeared After Reintroduction?	
#1 LOT_1	#1 EXPDATE_1	#1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doesn't Apply	
#2 LOT_2	#2 EXPDATE_2	#2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doesn't Apply	
9. NDC# or Unique ID NDC_1		10. Concomitant Medical Products and Therapy Dates (Exclude treatment of event) CONCOMITANT	

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