

# MEDWATCH

For VOLUNTARY reporting of  
adverse events, product problems and  
product use errors

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## The FDA Safety Information and Adverse Event Reporting Program

FDA USE ONLY	
Triage unit sequence #	

### A. PATIENT INFORMATION

1. Patient Identifier  In confidence	2. Age at Time of Event, or Date of Birth:	3. Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male	4. Weight _____ lb or _____ kg
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### B. ADVERSE EVENT, PRODUCT PROBLEM OR ERROR

Check all that apply:

1.  Adverse Event     Product Problem (e.g., defects/malfunctions)  
 Product Use Error     Problem with Different Manufacturer of Same Medicine

2. Outcomes Attributed to Adverse Event (Check all that apply)

Death: \_\_\_\_\_ (mm/dd/yyyy)     Disability or Permanent Damage  
 Life-threatening     Congenital Anomaly/Birth Defect  
 Hospitalization - initial or prolonged     Other Serious (Important Medical Events)  
 Required Intervention to Prevent Permanent Impairment/Damage (Devices)

3. Date of Event (mm/dd/yyyy)    4. Date of this Report (mm/dd/yyyy)

### 5. Describe Event, Problem or Product Use Error

6. Relevant Tests/Laboratory Data, Including Dates

7. Other Relevant History, Including Preexisting Medical Conditions (e.g., allergies, race, pregnancy, smoking and alcohol use, liver/kidney problems, etc.)

### C. PRODUCT AVAILABILITY

Product Available for Evaluation? (Do not send product to FDA)

Yes     No     Returned to Manufacturer on: \_\_\_\_\_ (mm/dd/yyyy)

### D. SUSPECT PRODUCT(S)

1. Name, Strength, Manufacturer (from product label)

#1 \_\_\_\_\_  
#2 \_\_\_\_\_

2. Dose or Amount	Frequency	Route
#1 _____	_____	_____
#2 _____	_____	_____

3. Dates of Use (If unknown, give duration) from/to (or best estimate)

#1 \_\_\_\_\_  
#2 \_\_\_\_\_

4. Diagnosis or Reason for Use (Indication)

#1 \_\_\_\_\_  
#2 \_\_\_\_\_

6. Lot #	7. Expiration Date
#1 _____	#1 _____
#2 _____	#2 _____

5. Event Abated After Use Stopped or Dose Reduced?

#1  Yes     No     Doesn't Apply  
#2  Yes     No     Doesn't Apply

8. Event Reappeared After Reintroduction?

#1  Yes     No     Doesn't Apply  
#2  Yes     No     Doesn't Apply

9. NDC # or Unique ID

### E. SUSPECT MEDICAL DEVICE

1. Brand Name

2. Common Device Name

3. Manufacturer Name, City and State

4. Model #	Lot #	5. Operator of Device <input type="checkbox"/> Health Professional <input type="checkbox"/> Lay User/Patient <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
Catalog #	Expiration Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	
Serial #	Other #	

6. If Implanted, Give Date (mm/dd/yyyy)    7. If Explanted, Give Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

8. Is this a Single-use Device that was Reprocessed and Reused on a Patient?  
 Yes     No

9. If Yes to Item No. 8, Enter Name and Address of Reprocessor

### F. OTHER (CONCOMITANT) MEDICAL PRODUCTS

Product names and therapy dates (exclude treatment of event)

### G. REPORTER (See confidentiality section on back)

1. Name and Address

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_    E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

2. Health Professional?  Yes     No    3. Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

4. Also Reported to:  
 Manufacturer  
 User Facility  
 Distributor/Importer

5. If you do NOT want your identity disclosed to the manufacturer, place an "X" in this box:

PLEASE TYPE OR USE BLACK INK

# ADVICE ABOUT VOLUNTARY REPORTING

Detailed instructions available at: <http://www.fda.gov/medwatch/report/consumer/instruct.htm>

## Report adverse events, product problems or product use errors with:

- Medications (*drugs or biologics*)
- Medical devices (*including in-vitro diagnostics*)
- Combination products (*medication & medical devices*)
- Human cells, tissues, and cellular and tissue-based products
- Special nutritional products (*dietary supplements, medical foods, infant formulas*)
- Cosmetics

## Report product problems - quality, performance or safety concerns such as:

- Suspected counterfeit product
- Suspected contamination
- Questionable stability
- Defective components
- Poor packaging or labeling
- Therapeutic failures (product didn't work)

## Report SERIOUS adverse events. An event is serious when the patient outcome is:

- Death
- Life-threatening
- Hospitalization - initial or prolonged
- Disability or permanent damage
- Congenital anomaly/birth defect
- Required intervention to prevent permanent impairment or damage
- Other serious (important medical events)

## Report even if:

- You're not certain the product caused the event
- You don't have all the details

## How to report:

- Just fill in the sections that apply to your report
- Use section D for all products except medical devices
- Attach additional pages if needed
- Use a separate form for each patient
- Report either to FDA or the manufacturer (*or both*)

## Other methods of reporting:

- 1-800-FDA-0178 -- To FAX report
- 1-800-FDA-1088 -- To report by phone
- [www.fda.gov/medwatch/report.htm](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch/report.htm) -- To report online

**If your report involves a serious adverse event with a device** and it occurred in a facility outside a doctor's office, that facility may be legally required to report to FDA and/or the manufacturer. Please notify the person in that facility who would handle such reporting.

**If your report involves a serious adverse event with a vaccine** call 1-800-822-7967 to report.

**Confidentiality:** The patient's identity is held in strict confidence by FDA and protected to the fullest extent of the law. FDA will not disclose the reporter's identity in response to a request from the public, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act. The reporter's identity, including the identity of a self-reporter, may be shared with the manufacturer unless requested otherwise.

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