Providing Comments on CDER Level 2 Guidances

Per FDA's regulations at 21 CFR 10.115 on Good Guidance Practices Level 1 guidance documents include those that:

- Set forth initial interpretation of statutory or regulatory requirements
- Set forth changes in interpretation or policy that are or more than a minor nature
- Include complex scientific issues or
- Cover highly controversial issues.

Level 2 guidance documents are described as documents that set forth existing practices or minor changes in interpretation or policy. After the development of a Level 2 guidance, the Good Guidance Practices allow FDA to post the document and immediately implement the policies described in the guidance unless indicated otherwise.

Unlike Level 1 guidances where the availability of that guidance must be announced in the Federal Register, Level 2 guidances do not have this requirement. However, the public may comment on Level 2 guidances at any time. This document tells the public how to submit electronic comments to a Level 2 guidance to ensure that comments are for the correct guidance and routed to the proper office for consideration.

How to submit comments

When submitting electronic comments to a Level 2 guidance, please identify the guidance the comments are for by including the full title of the document in your comment. For example: "This comment is for the guidance titled "How to Provide Comments on CDER Level 2 Guidances"

Because your comment will be made public, you are solely responsible for ensuring that your comment does not include any confidential information that you or a third party may not wish to be posted, such as medical information, your or anyone else's Social Security number, or confidential business information, such as a manufacturing process. Please note that if you include your name, contact information, or other information that identifies you in the body of your comments, that information will be posted on https://www.regulations.gov.