

# Office of Regulatory Affairs Office of Pharmaceutical Quality Programs Updates

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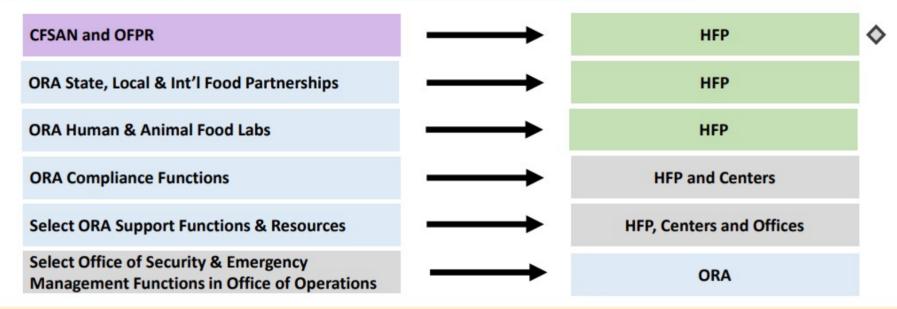


### New Model for the Office of Regulatory Affairs (ORA)



#### **New ORA Model**

### 6/27/2023 Updates to FDA Proposal to Unify Human Foods Program / Create New ORA Model



The Deputy Commissioner for Human Foods (DC) will have full authority over all components of the HFP, including human foods resources in ORA. In addition, the DC will collaborate with a senior official in ORA focused on human foods-related activities and resources. The HFP and the Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM) will also have a clearly defined relationship. The DC will ensure robust collaboration for human and animal food laboratory research and other priorities such as scientific and regulatory pathways that support and spur innovation technologies (e.g., novel ingredients, intentional genomic alterations for agricultural products, and cell cultured foods). The DC will also work to advance all components necessary to build a truly integrated food safety system.



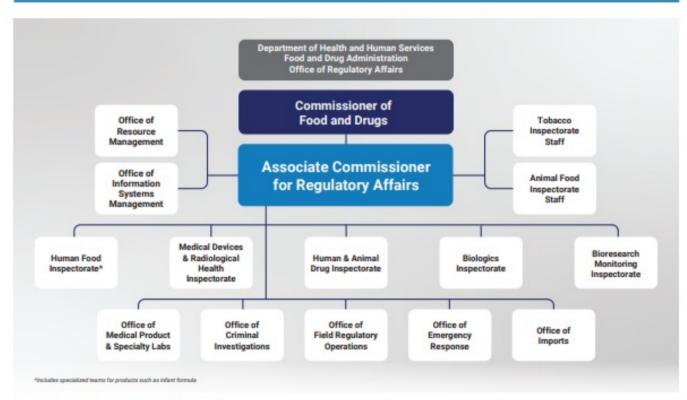
Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (CFSAN) and Office of Food Policy and Response (OFPR) Office of Regulatory Affairs (ORA)

Human Foods Program (HFP) Other FDA Centers and Offices





#### Proposed Office of Regulatory Affairs Organization Chart



#### Descriptions of proposed ORA offices:

The Associate Commissioner for Regulatory Affairs (ACRA) will report directly to the FDA Commissioner with responsibility of overseeing the agency's field force who carry out inspections, investigations, and import operations in support of the FDA's product centers and programs. The ACRA will work closely with other FDA executives to ensure priorities are appropriately coordinated and advanced.



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### **Industry Trends**



#### **Industry Trends – FDA Data Dashboard**





datadashboard.fda.gov/ora



# Current Locations of Various CGMP Inspection related documents

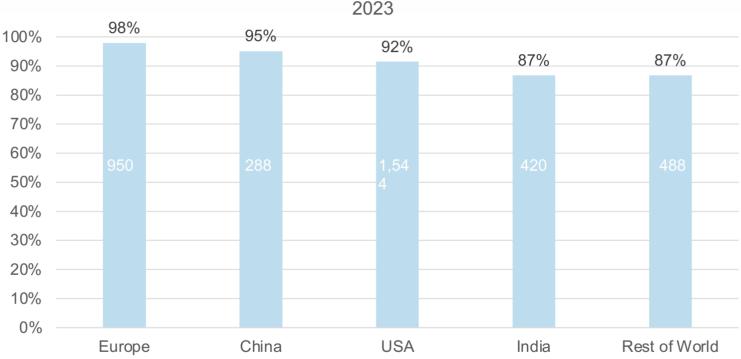
- Below are links to various document repositories on FDA's Website
  - CDER Reading Room
    - <a href="https://www.fda.gov/drugs/guidance-compliance-regulatory-information/cder-foia-electronic-reading-room">https://www.fda.gov/drugs/guidance-compliance-regulatory-information/cder-foia-electronic-reading-room</a>
  - ORA Reading Room
    - <a href="https://www.fda.gov/about-fda/office-regulatory-affairs/ora-foia-electronic-reading-room">https://www.fda.gov/about-fda/office-regulatory-affairs/ora-foia-electronic-reading-room</a>
  - FDA Warning Letter Page
    - <a href="https://www.fda.gov/inspections-compliance-enforcement-and-criminal-investigations/compliance-actions-and-activities/warning-letters">https://www.fda.gov/inspections-compliance-enforcement-and-criminal-investigations/compliance-actions-and-activities/warning-letters</a>
  - FDA Inspections Dashboard
    - <a href="https://datadashboard.fda.gov/ora/cd/inspections.htm">https://datadashboard.fda.gov/ora/cd/inspections.htm</a>
  - FDA CGMP Inspection Related Import Alert
    - https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cms\_ia/importalert\_189.html
  - Enforcement Reports
    - https://www.fda.gov/safety/recalls-market-withdrawals-safety-alerts/enforcementreports
  - Recalls Information
    - https://www.fda.gov/safety/recalls-market-withdrawals-safety-alerts

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#### **Inspection Outcomes by Region**



Percentage of Drug Manufacturing Facilities with Acceptable Final Outcome at Last CGMP Inspection\* by Country or Region, as of May



<sup>\*</sup>i.e., No Action Indicated or Voluntary Action Indicated outcomes, most recent inspection FY2000 to May 2023; number in bar represents total number of sites inspected with acceptable final outcomes

Shift in percentage of US sites: largely due to shift in US inspections for sites with higher OAI rates, for instance new hand sanitizer manufacturers that entered the inventory during the Pandemic.



#### Industry Trends – Remote Regulatory Assessments

#### Remote Regulatory Assessments (RRAs)

RRAs are an examination of an FDA-regulated establishment and/or its records, conducted entirely remotely, to evaluate compliance with applicable FDA requirements. RRAs assist in protecting human and animal health, informing regulatory decisions and verifying certain information submitted to the agency.

#### MANDATORY ASSESSMENTS

Program Areas:

- · Human and animal drugs and biologics
- Foreign Supplier Verification Program for imported foods

Requests for records or other information and may include voluntary virtual interaction











Program Areas: All FDA regulated commodities

Information review and/or virtual interactions such as remote interactive evaluations and video streaming

Guidance for Industry: **Conducting Remote Regulatory Assessments Questions and Answers** 











# Foreign Unannounced Inspection Pilot (FUIP)



#### **Foreign Unannounced Inspection Pilot**

#### **Pilot Background**

Congress directed FDA in the FY21 & FY22 House bill language to "restart the pilot in India and establish an additional pilot in China to improve workforce development activities and include unannounced and short notice inspections."

#### **Pilot Purpose**

Evaluates intersectional outcomes resulting from inspection notification types:

- Unannounced,
- Short notice (< 72 hours),
- and pre-announced (> 8 weeks)

- Not all inspections will be unannounced.
- The inspection itself will be conducted per normal inspectional procedures and policies.
- FDA continues pilot implementation in India and recently started the pilot in China.





# Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA)



#### **MRA Sectoral Annex for Pharmaceutical GMP**

#### FDA and the EU Expanded the scope of the MRA

- Addition of Swissmedic to MRA (human & animal drugs)
- Addition of Veterinary Pharmaceuticals (animal drugs)
  - Enhances efficiencies & avoids duplication of inspections to allow attention to areas of greater risk
  - Regulatory Framework Reviews & Observing EU Audits
  - 16 EU Member States were found to have the capability of carrying out GMP inspections including: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Slovenia, and Spain

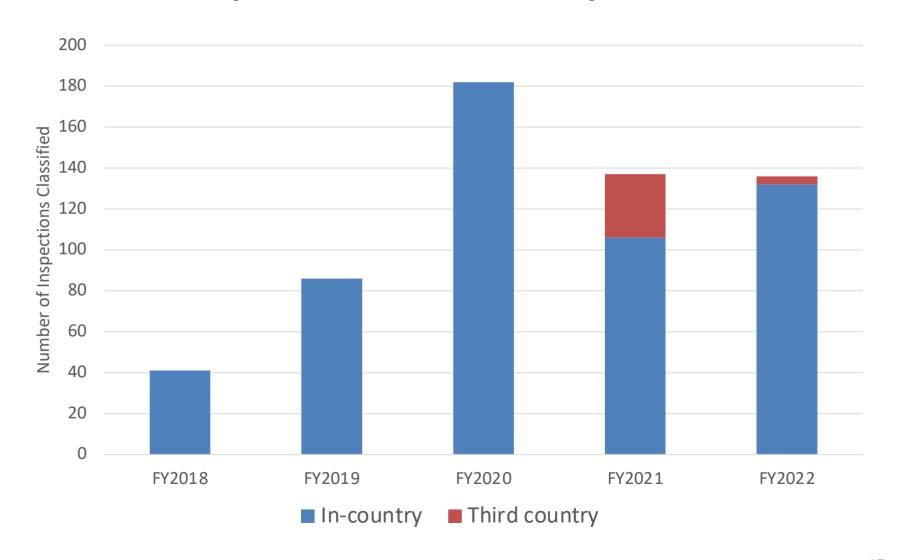
#### FDA MRA Website







#### **MRA Inspections Classified by Fiscal Year**

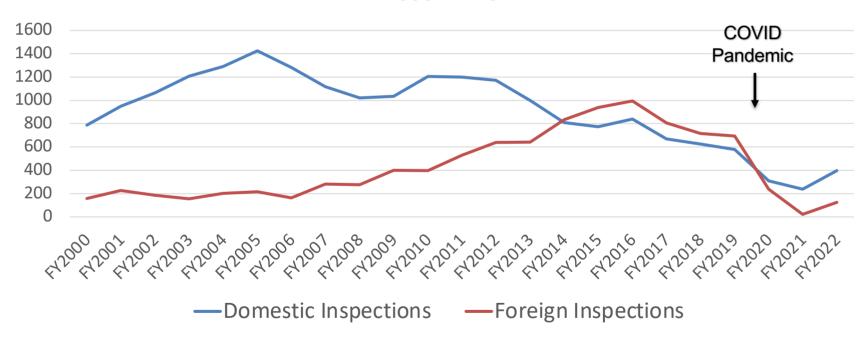


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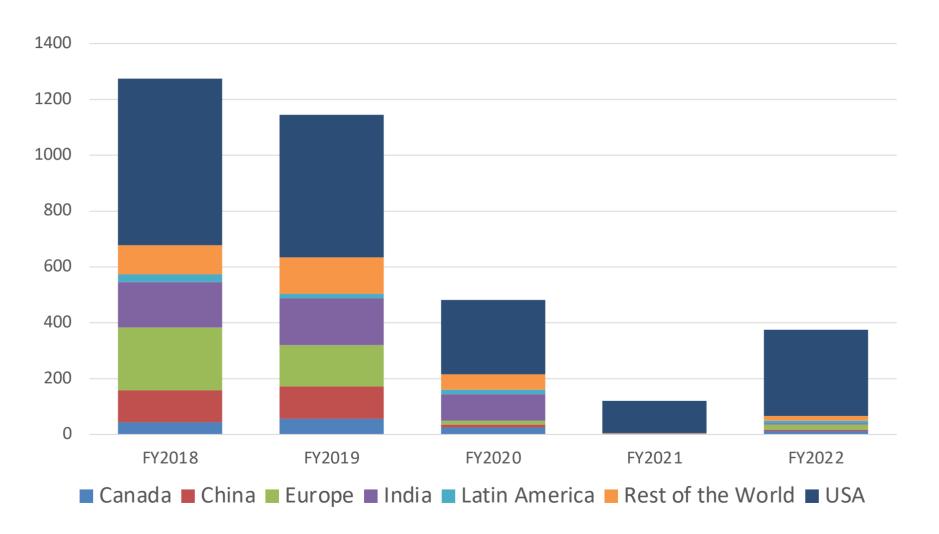
## **Drug Quality Assurance Inspection Counts FY2000 – FY2022**

Domestic and Foreign Drug Quality Assurance Inspections FY2000 - FY2022





#### **Surveillance Inspections by Region**



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### **Investigator Training**



#### **Investigator Training**

- On-the-job, classroom, and online
- New Hire Training Framework
  - Dedicated Training Supervisor
  - Stronger Collaboration with Peers
  - Strategic On-the-Job Training Coordination
- Continue to identify and implement strategies to provide continuous learning in an everchanging industry



#### **Final Thoughts**

- ORA continues to serve as the Agency's frontline to ensure safety and effectiveness of FDA-regulated product
- FDA has resumed inspection travel to China
- FDA has implemented the FUIP in China & India
- It is critical firms ensure timely responses to the Agency
  - Notice of Inspection
  - RRA requests
  - 483 responses
- ORA is looking for transformative changes to enhance its efficiency and effectiveness as it contuse as an enterprisewide organization supporting our centers and focused on inspectional activities.



