

# Active IND Sponsor's responsibilities

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## Sponsor's responsibilities

- Protocol amendments
  - New Protocol
  - Change in Protocol
  - New Investigator
- Information amendments
- Safety Reporting
- Annual Reports
- Inactivation of an IND
- Withdrawal of an IND

# Protocol Amendments

21 CFR 312.30



- New Protocol
  - FDA Form 1571-Protocol Amendment/New Protocol
  - Copy of the new protocol
  - Brief description of the most clinically significant differences between the new and previous protocols
- Study may begin provided that
  - The Sponsor has submitted the New Protocol to FDA
  - The Protocol has been approved by the Institutional Review Board (IRB)

# Protocol Amendment

## Change in Protocol



- Changes in Protocol
  - Phase 1-Any change that significantly affects the safety of the subjects
  - Phase 2 and 3- Any change that significantly affects the safety of the subjects, the scope of the investigation, and/or the scientific quality of the study

# Protocol Amendment

## Change in Protocol (2)

- Change in Protocol
  - FDA Form 1571-Protocol Amendment/Change in Protocol
  - Brief description of the change and reference (date and number) to the submission that contained the original protocol
    - Track changes and clean version of the protocol change
  - Reference to specific technical information previously submitted or included in the protocol change

# Protocol Amendment

## Change in Protocol (3)

- Increase in drug dosage or duration of exposure
- Any significant increase in the number of subjects under the study
- Any significant change in the design of the protocol (control group)
- Addition of a new test or procedure intended to improve the monitoring or reduce the risk of a side effect or adverse event

# Protocol Amendment

## Change in Protocol (4)



- Change may be implemented when
  - The Sponsor has submitted the revised Protocol to FDA
  - The Protocol has been approved by the Institutional Review Board (IRB)
- A protocol change intended to eliminate and apparent immediate hazard to subjects may be implemented immediately provided that
  - FDA is subsequently notified by protocol amendment
  - IRB is notified according 21 CFR 56.104 (c)



# Protocol Amendment New Investigator



- FDA Form 1571-Protocol Amendment/New Investigator
- Once the Investigator is added, the investigational drug can be shipped and the investigator may begin participating in the study
- Notification to FDA shall be made within 30 days of the investigator being added to the study

# Protocol Amendment

## New Investigator



- Investigators name
- Qualification to conduct the investigation
- Reference to previously submitted protocols
- Other information as requested by 21 CFR 312.23 (a) (6)(iii)(b)
- Information Sheet Guidance for Sponsor's, Clinical Investigators, and IRBs
  - <https://www.fda.gov/downloads/RegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM214282.pdf>

# Protocol Amendments Timelines

- New Protocol/Protocol Change submitted before implementation
- New Investigator/Update information on investigator can be submitted at 30-day intervals

# Information Amendments

21 CFR 312.31



- The Sponsor shall submit any essential information not within the scope of a protocol amendment, IND safety report or annual report
- FDA Form 1571-Information amendment
- Statement of the nature and purpose of the submission
  - New toxicology, chemistry or other technical information
  - Discontinuation of investigation

## Information Amendments (2)

- Request for comment
- Specific questions



# IND Safety Reporting Regulations

- IND Safety Reporting (21 CFR 312.32)
  - Requirements for expedited reporting under an IND
- Investigator Reports (21 CFR 312.64)
  - Reporting requirements from investigators to sponsors
- Applicability of requirements regarding an IND application (21 CFR 320.31)
  - Requirements for bioavailability/bioequivalence expedited reporting

# Adverse event

21 CFR 312.32 (a)



- Any untoward medical occurrence associated with the use of a drug in humans, whether or not considered drug related
  - Unfavorable sign (e.g. abnormal lab finding)
  - Symptom or disease temporarily associated with the use of the drug
  - Does not imply any judgment about causality

# Suspected Adverse Reaction

21 CFR 312.32 (a)

- Any adverse event for which there is a reasonable possibility that the drug caused the adverse event.
  - For FDA reporting, the Investigator is responsible for making the causality judgment and provide this assessment to the Sponsor (21 CFR 312.64 (b))
  - The Sponsor assessment determines the reportability regardless the investigator's assessment



# Adverse Reaction

- Any adverse event caused by a drug.
  - Unexpected
  - Serious
  - Life-Threatening

# Adverse Reactions (1)

- Unexpected
  - Not listed in the Investigator Brochure (IB)
  - Not listed at the specificity or severity that has been observed
  - Not consistent with the risk information described in the Investigational Plan or elsewhere in the application

# Adverse Reactions (2)

- Serious
  - In the view of the Sponsor or Investigator results in
    - Death
    - A life-threatening adverse event
    - Inpatient hospitalization or prolongation of existing hospitalization
    - Persistent or significant incapacity
    - Substantial disruption of the ability to conduct normal life functions
    - A congenital anomaly/birth defect

## Adverse Reactions (3)

- Life Threatening
  - In the view of the Sponsor or Investigator places the patient or subject at immediate risk of death



# Mandatory Safety Reporting (1)

- Initial Reporting
  - As soon as possible but no later than 15 calendar days following receipt of the information
    - Unexpected and serious suspected adverse reactions
    - Observations from animal or *in-vitro* studies suggesting significant risk to human subjects
  - As soon as possible but no later than 7 calendar days following receipt of the information
    - Unexpected or life threatening adverse reactions



# Mandatory Safety Reporting (2)

- Follow-up reporting
  - Any relevant information obtained by the Sponsor that pertains to a previously submitted IND Safety Report
  - Submitted without delay, but no later than 15 calendar days after the information is received



# IND Safety Reports

- Submitted in Form 3500 A (MedWatch) if from clinical trials or narrative format if from animal or epidemiological studies to the appropriate FDA Division
- Must be accompanied by the FDA Form 1571
- Type of report identified in both forms
- Submission must be identified as:
  - “IND Safety Report” for 15-day reports or
  - “7-day IND Safety Report” for unexpected fatal or life-threatening suspected adverse reaction reports or
  - “Follow-up IND Safety Report” for follow-up information

# Safety Reporting

- Definitions, requirements and procedures
  - <https://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM227351.pdf>
- Additional information on safety reporting
  - <https://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/HowDrugsareDevelopedandApproved/ApprovalApplications/InvestigationalNewDrugINDApplication/ucm226358.htm>



# Annual Report

21 CFR 312.33



- Report of the progress of the investigation
  - Individual Study Information-Summary of the status of each study in progress during the previous year
    - Title of the Study, its purpose, brief description of the patient population and indication if the study is complete
    - Total number of subjects initially planned for inclusion, number of subjects included to date, number of subjects who dropped from the study, etc.
    - If study has been completed, a summary of interim results or description of results

## Annual Report (2)

- Summary Information obtained in the previous year's clinical and non clinical investigations
  - Narrative or tabular summary showing most frequent and serious adverse experiences by body system
  - Summary of all IND safety reports submitted the past year
  - List of subjects who died, with cause of death
  - List of subjects who dropped out in association with any adverse events

## Annual Report (3)

- Brief description of any information deemed to further understanding of the drug's actions
- List of preclinical studies completed or in progress
- A summary of any significant manufacturing or microbiological changes during past year

# Annual Report (4)

- A description of the general investigational plan for the coming year
- Change made to a Phase 1 study not yet reported to the IND
- Summary of significant foreign marketing
- Log of outstanding issues for which the sponsor expects a reply, comment or meeting (not mandatory)

# Annual Report (5)

- Submitted within 60 days of the anniversary date that the application went into effect.
- Submitted annually
- Include FDA Form 1571
- Development Safety Update Report (DSUR) can be submitted to meet IND application annual report requirements
  - <https://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM073109.pdf>

# IND Inactivation

21 CFR 312.45



- May be inactivated at the Sponsor's or FDA's request
  - No subjects entered in clinical trial(s) for 2 years or longer
  - The IND application is on hold for 1 year or longer
- No requirement to submit IND annual reports
- An IND that remains on inactive status for 5 years may be terminated by FDA

# IND Withdrawal

21 CFR 312.38



- Requested at any time
  - Notify FDA
  - All clinical investigations conducted under the IND are ended
  - All investigators are notified
  - All stocks of the drug returned to the Sponsor or disposed
  - Provide reasons if withdrawn for safety reasons

# Questions?

Please complete the session survey:  
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