Key Components to Assure Pharmaceutical Quality

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Everyone deserves
confidence in their *next* dose
of medicine.
Pharmaceutical quality
assures the
availability,
safety,
and efficacy
of *every* dose.

An Array of Quality

Pharmaceutical Quality

*Gives patients confidence in their **next** dose of medicine*

*Gives manufacturers confidence every batch will be **acceptable to release***	**QUALITY MANAGEMENT**	Performance and patient focus identifies areas of improvement and implements changes
*Gives manufacturers confidence in every batch they **release***	**PROCESS QUALITY**	Manufacturing risks are controlled to provide a quality drug product
*Gives patients confidence in every dose they **take***	**PRODUCT QUALITY**	Every dose is safe and effective and free of contamination and defects

Key Components of Pharmaceutical Quality

- CDER's Office of Pharmaceutical Quality
- Quality Communication
- Quality Innovation

CDER's Office of Pharmaceutical Quality

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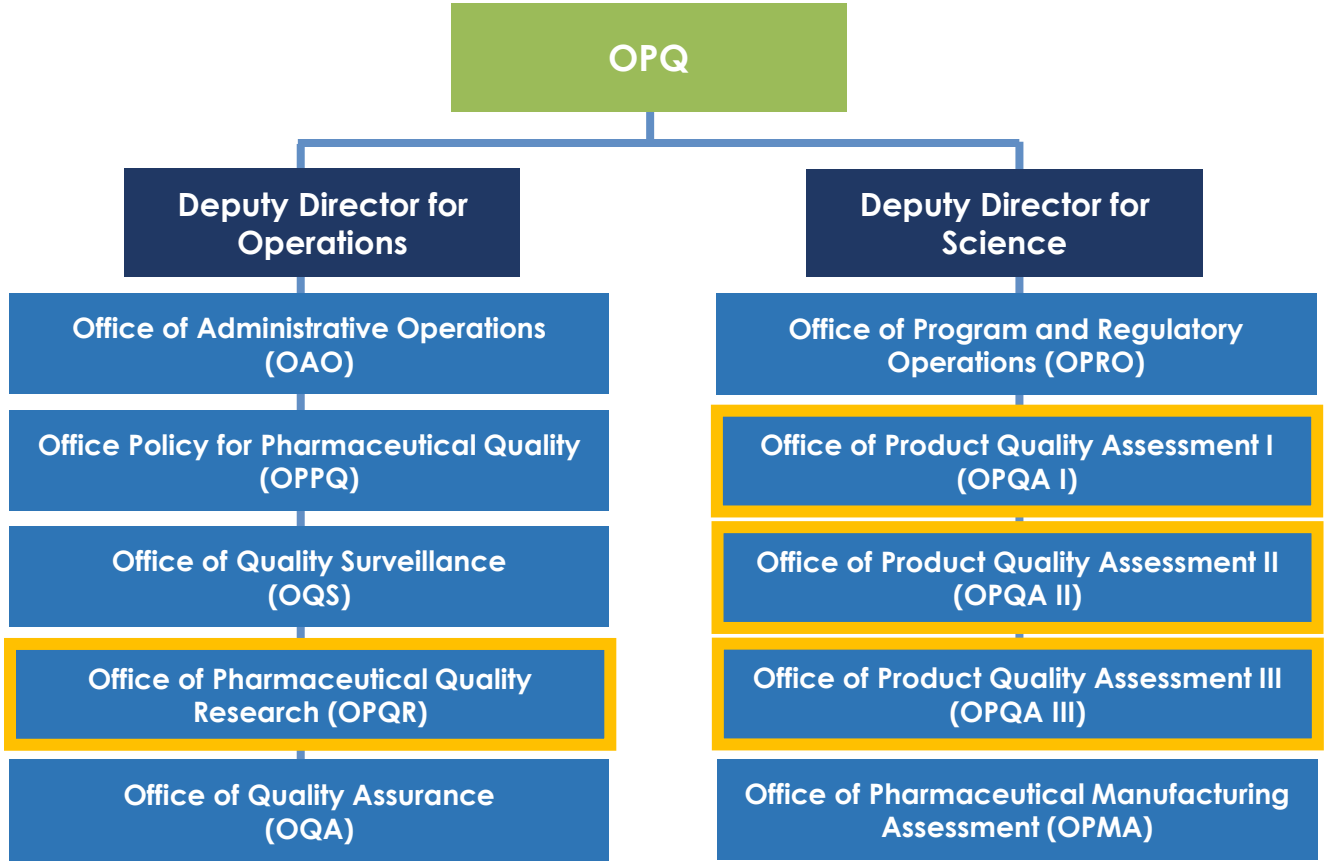
CDER's Office of Pharmaceutical Quality

Established in 2015

One Quality Voice

Uniform human drug quality program across all product types and manufacturing sites

OPQ's New Organizational Structure



Interacting with OPQ

OPQ's reorganization will have little to no impact on how we interact with industry.

User fees facilitate the **timely availability** of human medicines **without compromising** FDA's **commitment** to **scientific integrity**, **patient safety**, and **transparency**.

- **Generic Drug User Fees Amendments (GDUFA)**
- **Prescription Drug User Fee Amendments (PDUFA)**
- **Biosimilar User Fee Amendments (BsUFA)**

Quality Communication

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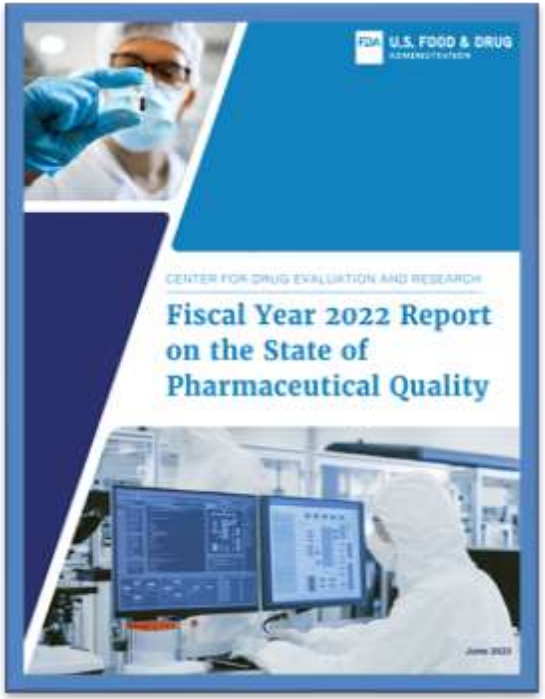
State of Pharmaceutical Quality

Sites:

- Surveillance inspections of human drug sites tripled from FY2021 to FY2023
- More than **4,800** manufacturing sites (>40% in the U.S.)

Products:

- >**140,000** application and nonapplication products
- **12,835** ANDAs
- **3,538** NDAs
- **325** BLAs



2023 OPQ Annual Report

- OPQ performed quality assessment of more than **1,100** approved product applications, including:
  - **118** new drug applications,
  - **956** generic drug applications,
  - **29** biologics license applications (including biosimilars)
- Supported **55** novel drug approvals
- Performed **359** expedited quality assessments to address drug shortages and **28** priority assessments to address orphan diseases

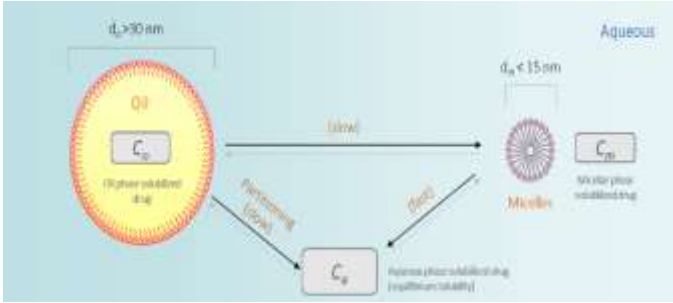
GDUFA III Program

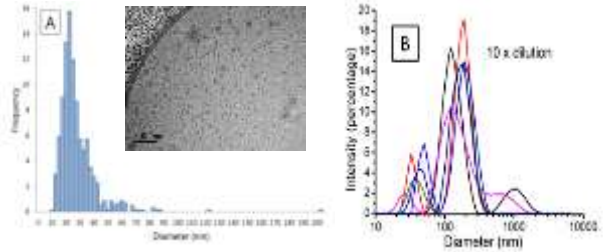
OPQ's GDUFA III efforts will help ensure that the American public has access to safe, effective, and high-quality generic drugs.

- High-quality **communication**
- Submission of high-quality **applications**
- Availability of high-quality **drug products**

Product-Specific Guidance

PSG outlines FDA's current product-specific thinking on the development and approval of a ***safe***, ***effective***, and ***high-quality*** generic drug product.

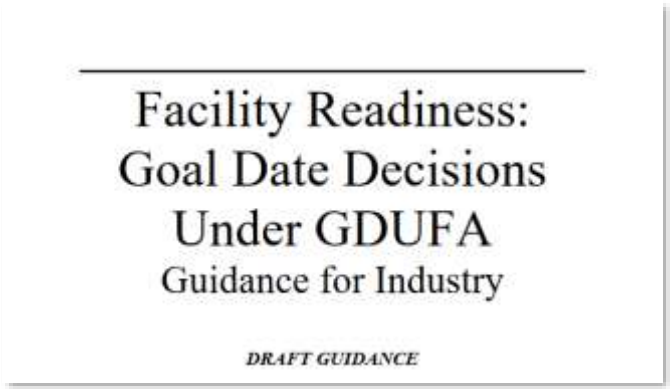




Example: cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion

- 9 years research
- 20+ publications and presentations
- Supported draft and revision of the PSG
- First generic approval in Feb 2022

Quality-led Policy in GDUFA III



Facility Readiness:
Goal Date Decisions
Under GDUFA
Guidance for Industry

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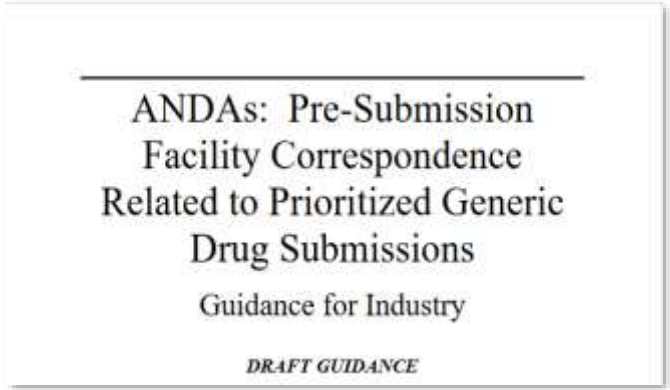

ANDAs: Pre-Submission
Facility Correspondence
Related to Prioritized Generic
Drug Submissions
Guidance for Industry

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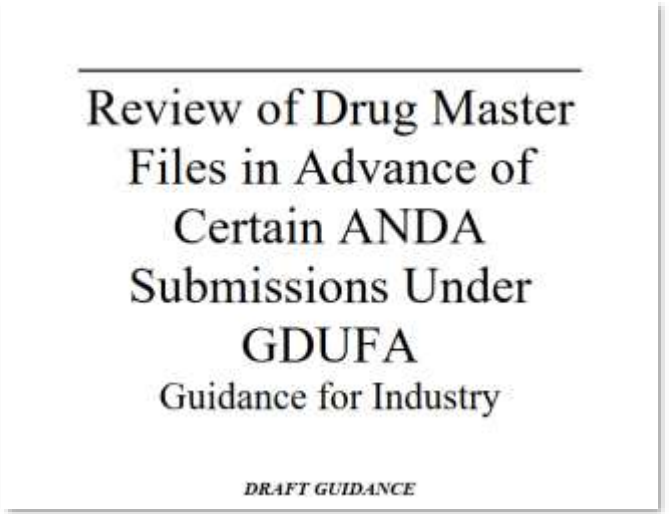

Review of Drug Master
Files in Advance of
Certain ANDA
Submissions Under
GDUFA
Guidance for Industry

DRAFT GUIDANCE

MANUAL OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

CENTER FOR DRUG EVALUATION AND RESEARCH MAPP 5021.5 Rev. 1

POLICY AND PROCEDURES

OFFICE OF PHARMACEUTICAL QUALITY

Assessment of Facility-Based Deficiency Major-to-Minor Reclassification Requests

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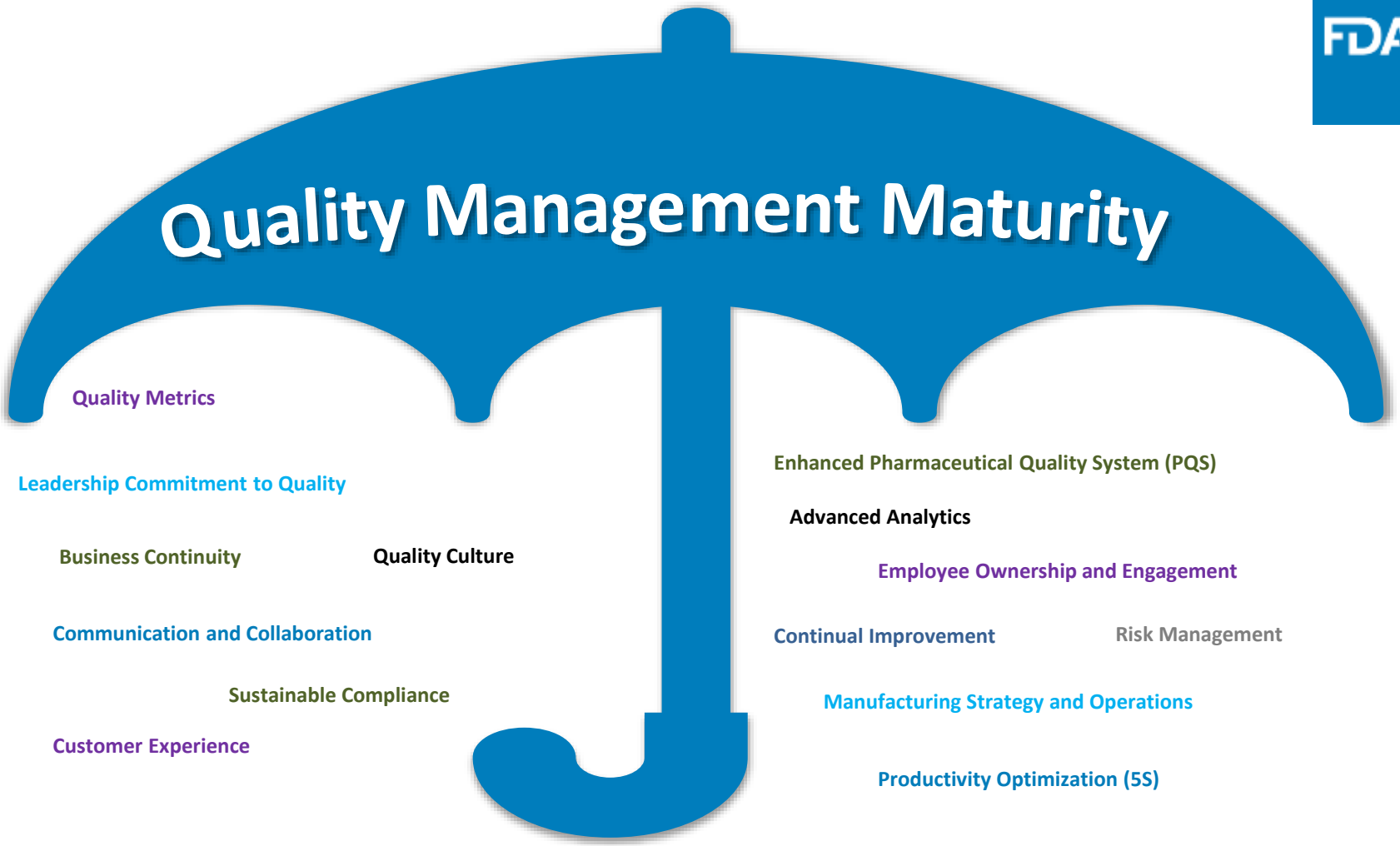
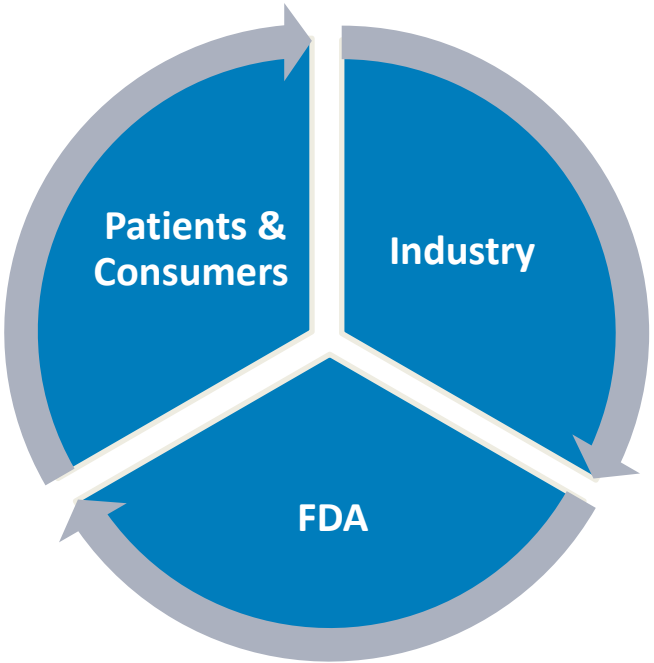

Quality Management Maturity
Quality Metrics
Leadership Commitment to Quality
Business Continuity
Quality Culture
Communication and Collaboration
Sustainable Compliance
Customer Experience
Enhanced Pharmaceutical Quality System (PQS)
Advanced Analytics
Employee Ownership and Engagement
Continual Improvement
Risk Management
Manufacturing Strategy and Operations
Productivity Optimization (5S)

The Benefits of QMM



Patients and Consumers

- **Increases access** to reliable drug products

Industry

- **Improves** pharmaceutical quality systems
- **Rewards** "good actors"

FDA

- **Provides insight** to deploy surveillance tools and inspections

QMM Program Development

In Closing

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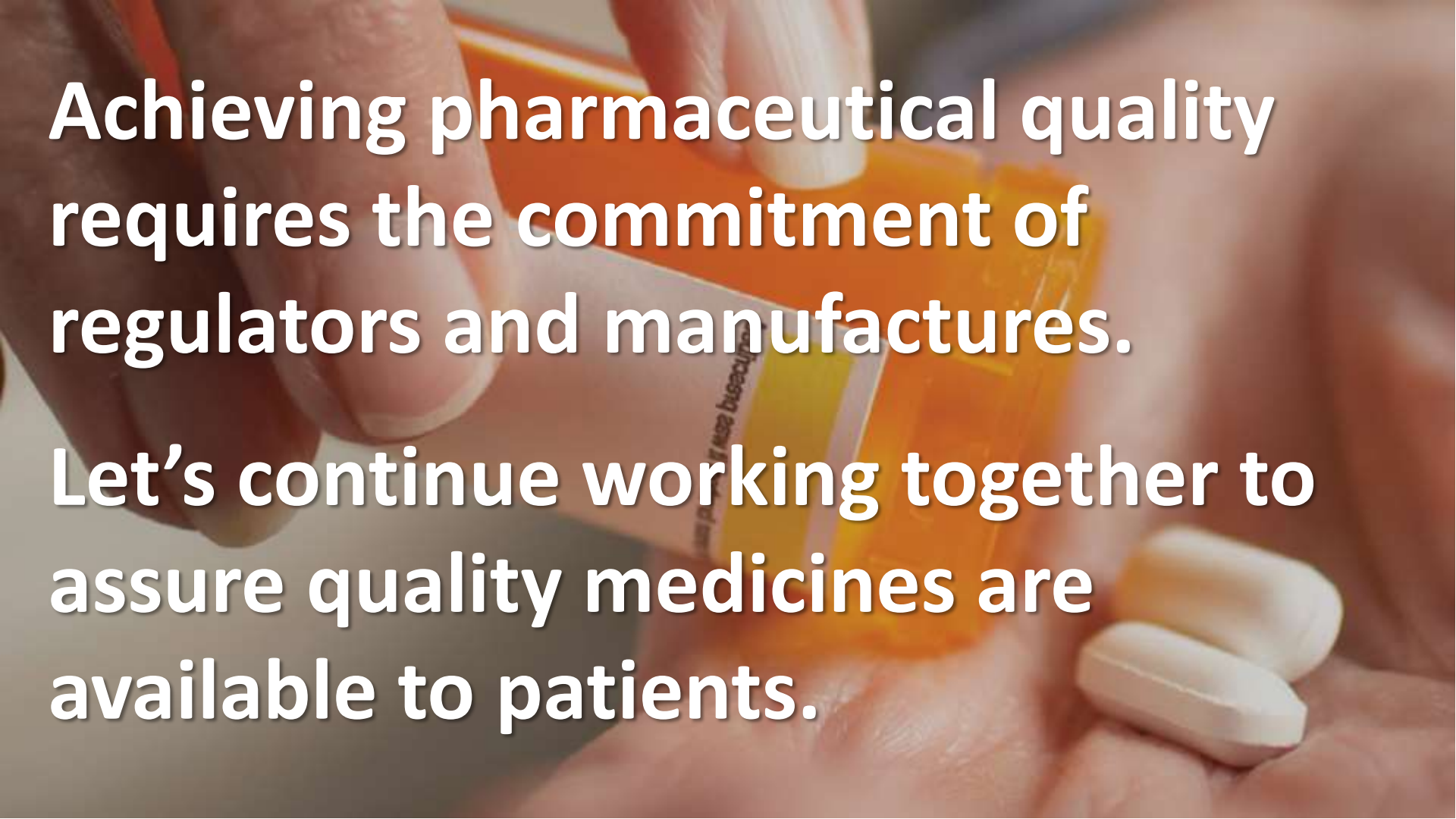
- Controlled Correspondence
- ANDA Submission Best Practices
- Nitrosamines and Drug Master Files
- Post-approval changes
- Ophthalmic Products
- Extractables & Leachables
- Facility Assessments
- Advanced Manufacturing Technologies Designation Program
- Sterility Assurance
- Endotoxins


Achieving pharmaceutical quality requires the commitment of regulators and manufactures.
Let’s continue working together to assure quality medicines are available to patients.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