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Subject: **Submission of Test Procedures and Test Specifications for Products to be Included in the Philippine Pharmacopeia**

The Department of Health - Bureau of Food and Drugs has embarked on a project aimed at the preparation and publication of a Philippine Pharmacopeia, which will be utilized as an official book of reference for the determination of the identity, purity, efficacy and quality of pharmaceutical products.

In line with the implementation of the project, the BFAD and the DOH-Pharmacopeia Organization TWG 1 will conduct a review of the test procedures and test specifications of pharmaceutical products that are included in the Philippine National Drug Formulary but which are not subject of any official monograph in the USP, BP, EP, JP or IP. This is for the purpose of establishing Philippine standard monograph for such products.

To achieve this objective, all manufacturers, traders, distributor/importer of products listed in the attached Annex A "List of Priority 1 Products for Inclusion in the Philippine Pharmacopeia", are hereby enjoined to submit to the Bureau of Food and Drugs-BFAD Information Unit the complete and current test procedures and test specifications utilized in the quality control of their specific products on or before March 15, 2000.

This Circular takes effect immediately.


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**List of Priority 1 Drug Products for Inclusion in the
Philippine Pharmacopeia**

1. Albendazole Suspension
2. Atracurium Besilate Injection
3. Betahistine Mesilate Tablet
4. Cefuroxime Granules for Suspension
5. Cinnarizine Tablet
6. Cinnarize Capsule
7. Cisapride Tablet
8. Dextromethorphan HBr Tablet
9. Diclofenac Sodium Injection
10. Diloxanide Furoate
11. Felodipine Tablet
12. Ferrous Sulfate Oral Drops
13. Framycetin Sulfate Eye Drops
14. Fusidic Acid Cream
15. Fusidic Acid Ophthalmic Drops
16. Iodized Oil Capsule
17. Isosorbide 5-Mononitrate Tablet
18. Metronidazole Suspension
19. Retinol/Vitamin A Solution
20. Silver Sulfadiazine Cream
21. Theophylline Syrup