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To : **All Regional Food and Drug Regulatory Officers (FDROs)**

Thru : **The Directors of Center for Health Development**

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Subject : **Validation and Certification of Registered Products and License to Operate**

To maximize the use of our information and communication technology facilities and expedite all inquiries regarding the status of product registration and licenses of establishments, all Food and Drug Regulatory Officers in the regions are encouraged to utilize our website www.fda.gov.ph

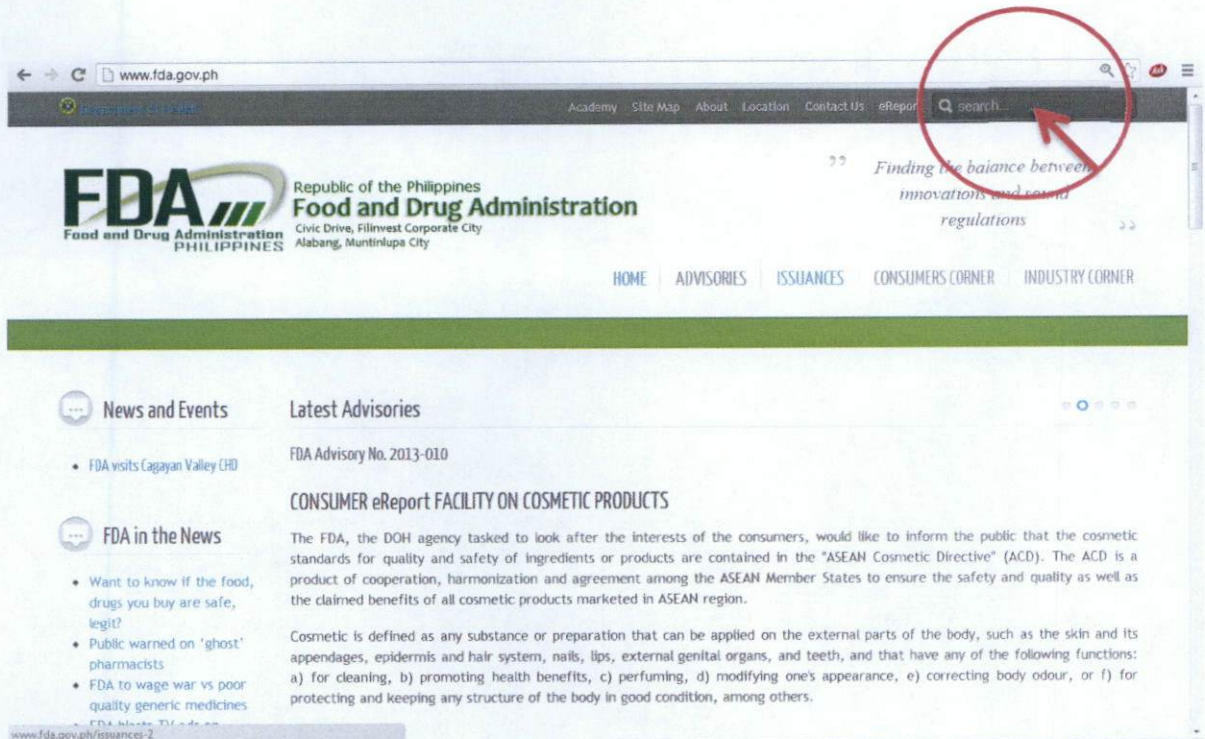
Simply type in the name of the product in the search box (please see illustration below) and click or press enter. A pull of registered products related to your search will be shown onto your screen. Products not included in the list mean that they are not registered.

To ensure accuracy of information, our website will be updated every Friday.

All FDRO supervisors in the regions are hereby authorized to issue certification on the status of product registration or license of establishments.

For your guidance and implementation.


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The screenshot shows the FDA website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Academy, Site Map, About, Location, Contact Us, and eReport. A search bar is located in the top right corner, circled in red with a red arrow pointing to it. Below the navigation bar is the main header area featuring the FDA logo and the text "Republic of the Philippines Food and Drug Administration". A quote, "Finding the balance between innovations and sound regulations", is displayed on the right side. Below the header is a horizontal menu with links for HOME, ADVISORIES, ISSUANCES, CONSUMERS CORNER, and INDUSTRY CORNER. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column has two sections: "News and Events" with a link to "FDA visits Cagayan Valley CHD" and "FDA in the News" with links to "Want to know if the food, drugs you buy are safe, legit?", "Public warned on 'ghost' pharmacists", and "FDA to wage war vs poor quality generic medicines". The right column has a section titled "Latest Advisories" with a link to "FDA Advisory No. 2013-010" and a sub-section titled "CONSUMER eReport FACILITY ON COSMETIC PRODUCTS". The text under this sub-section states: "The FDA, the DOH agency tasked to look after the interests of the consumers, would like to inform the public that the cosmetic standards for quality and safety of ingredients or products are contained in the 'ASEAN Cosmetic Directive' (ACD). The ACD is a product of cooperation, harmonization and agreement among the ASEAN Member States to ensure the safety and quality as well as the claimed benefits of all cosmetic products marketed in ASEAN region. Cosmetic is defined as any substance or preparation that can be applied on the external parts of the body, such as the skin and its appendages, epidermis and hair system, nails, lips, external genital organs, and teeth, and that have any of the following functions: a) for cleaning, b) promoting health benefits, c) perfuming, d) modifying one's appearance, e) correcting body odour, or f) for protecting and keeping any structure of the body in good condition, among others."