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42. Tin Whiskers—Problems, Causes, and Solutions Medical Devices 3/14/86
 43. Lyophilization of Parenterals Drugs, Biologics, Diagnostics 4/18/86
 44. Radiation Protection Terminology Foods 5/15/86
 45. Circular Temperature Recording Chart Measurements All Programs 2/20/87
 46. Water for Pharmaceutical Use Drugs, Biologics, Medical Devices 12/31/86
 47. Measurement of Relative Humidity in the ETO Process Drugs and Medical Devices 4/30/87
 48. Microbiological Contamination of Equipment Gaskets with Product Contact All Programs 12/31/86
 49. Stock Rotomat Foods 5/30/87
 50. Capacitor Medical Devices/Radiological Health 10/23/87
 51. Electronic Relays Medical Devices/Radiological Health 11/10/87
 52. Voice Recognition Systems GLP and Devices 11/10/87

Medical Device GMP Reference Information—(link to page maintained by CDRH)
 QS Regulation/Design Controls

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

State-of-the-Science Conference: Multivitamin/Mineral Supplements and Chronic Disease Prevention; Notice

Notice is hereby given of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) “State-of-the-Science Conference: Multivitamin/Mineral Supplements and Chronic Disease Prevention” to be held May 15–17, 2006, in the NIH Natcher Conference Center, 45 Center Drive, Bethesda, Maryland 20892. The conference will begin at 8:30 a.m. on May 15 and 16, and at 9 a.m. on May 17, and will be open to the public.

It is estimated that more than one-third of American adults take multivitamin/mineral (MVM) supplements regularly. Recommendations regarding supplement use from expert groups vary widely, as does the strength of the evidence supporting such guidelines. As more and more Americans seek strategies for maintaining good health and preventing disease, and as the marketplace offers an increasing number of products to fill that desire, it is important that consumers have the best possible information to inform their choices.

The Office of Dietary Supplements and the Office of Medical Applications of Research of the NIH will convene a State-of-the-Science Conference on Multivitamin/Mineral Supplements and Chronic Disease Prevention, May 15 to 17, 2006, in Bethesda, Maryland. The goal of the conference is to assess the evidence available on MVM use and outcomes for chronic disease prevention

in adults and to make recommendations for future research. Specifically, the conference will explore the following key questions:

- What are the current patterns and prevalence of the public’s use of MVM supplements?
- What is known about the dietary nutrient intake of MVM users versus non-users?
- What is the efficacy of single vitamin/mineral supplement use in chronic disease prevention?
- What is the efficacy of MVM in chronic disease prevention in the general population of adults?
- What is known about the safety of MVM for the generally healthy population?
- What are the major knowledge gaps and research opportunities regarding MVM use?

An impartial, independent panel will be charged with reviewing the available published literature in advance of the conference, including a systematic literature review commissioned through the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. The first day and a half of the conference will consist of presentations by expert researchers and practitioners and open public discussions. On Wednesday, May 17, the panel will present a statement of its collective assessment of the evidence to answer each of the questions above. The panel will also hold a press conference to address questions from the media. The draft statement will be published online later that day, and the final version will be released approximately six weeks later.

The primary sponsors of this meeting are the NIH Office of Dietary Supplements and the NIH Office of Medical Applications of Research.

Advance information about the conference and conference registration materials may be obtained from American Institutes for Research of Silver Spring, Maryland, by calling 888–644–2667, or by sending e-mail to consensus@mail.nih.gov. American

Institutes for Research’s mailing address is 10720 Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, MD 20901. Registration information is also available on the NIH Consensus Development Program Web site at <http://consensus.nih.gov>.

Please note: The NIH has recently instituted new security measures to ensure the safety of NIH employees and property. All visitors must be prepared to show a photo ID upon request. Visitors may be required to pass through a metal detector and have bags, backpacks, or purses inspected or x-rayed as they enter NIH buildings. For more information about the new security measures at NIH, please visit the Web site at <http://www.nih.gov/about/visitorssecurity.htm>.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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State-of-the-Science Conference: Tobacco Use: Prevention, Cessation and Control; Notice

Notice is hereby given of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) “State-of-the-Science Conference on Tobacco Use: Prevention, Cessation, and Control” to be held June 12–14, 2006, in the NIH Natcher Conference Center, 45 Center Drive, Bethesda, Maryland 20892. The conference will begin at 8:30 a.m. on June 12 and 13, and at 9 a.m. on June 14, and will be open to the public.

Tobacco use remains the Nation’s leading preventable cause of premature death. Each year, more than 440,000 Americans die from disease caused by tobacco use, accounting for one in every five deaths. Cigarette smoking alone is responsible for more than 30 percent of cancer deaths annually in the U.S., and