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Dear Federal/State/Tribal/Local/Territorial Regulatory Partner:

We are writing to invite you, or your designated representative, to participate in your official capacity in an intergovernmental workshop hosted by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to discuss the March 2026 final rule “*Revising the National Drug Code and Drug Label Barcode Requirements*.” The workshop is scheduled for **Thursday, December 10, 2026 , 9 AM to 12 PM EST**. The new rule, effective March 7, 2033, will change the format of the National Drug Code (NDC) assigned to drugs in the United States. We understand that this change will have broad implications across affected public and private sectors and are convening this meeting to engage with our regulatory partners to foster a smooth transition.

While in-person attendance is encouraged, participants will have the option to attend virtually. For those attending in-person, the meeting will take place in the Great Room on FDA’s White Oak Campus, located at 10903 New Hampshire Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland 20993. Please note that FDA is unable to assist with funding and/or coordinating participants’ travel.

Pre-registration is mandatory. An agenda and additional logistical information will be shared with registrants in the coming weeks. **Please register using the following link no later than November 10, 2026:**

[Workshop Registration](#)

Thank you for your commitment to protecting public health and for your interest in this important issue.

If you have any questions, please contact FDA’s Intergovernmental Affairs team at IGA@fda.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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