

specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section. A manufacturer shall make this standard operating procedure available to FDA upon request. A manufacturer shall incorporate the following into the standard operating procedure:

(1) Data collection and recording procedures, which shall include a procedure for recording when data which is required under this part is missing and could not be collected and the reason why such required data is missing and could not be collected;

(2) A method for recording all modifications or changes to the tracking system or to the data collected and maintained under the tracking system, reasons for any modification or change, and dates of any modification or change. Modification and changes included under this requirement include modifications to the data (including termination of tracking), the data format, the recording system, and the file maintenance procedures system; and

(3) A quality assurance program that includes an audit procedure to be run for each device product subject to tracking, at not less than 6-month intervals for the first 3 years of distribution and at least once a year thereafter. This audit procedure shall provide for statistically relevant sampling of the data collected to ensure the accuracy of data and performance testing of the functioning of the tracking system.

(d) When a manufacturer becomes aware that a distributor, final distributor, or multiple distributor has not collected, maintained, or furnished any record or information required by this part, the manufacturer shall notify the FDA district office responsible for the area in which the distributor, final distributor, or multiple distributor is located of the failure of such persons to comply with the requirements of this part. Manufacturers shall have taken reasonable steps to obtain compliance by the distributor, multiple distributor, or final distributor in question before notifying FDA.

(e) A manufacturer may petition for an exemption or variance from one or more requirements of this part accord-

ing to the procedures in §821.2 of this chapter.

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Subpart C—Additional Requirements and Responsibilities

§ 821.30 Tracking obligations of persons other than device manufacturers: distributor requirements.

(a) A distributor, final distributor, or multiple distributor of any tracked device shall, upon purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in such a device, promptly provide the manufacturer tracking the device with the following information:

(1) The name and address of the distributor, final distributor or multiple distributor;

(2) The lot number, batch number, model number, or serial number of the device or other identifier used by the manufacturer to track the device;

(3) The date the device was received;

(4) The person from whom the device was received;

(5) If and when applicable, the date the device was explanted, the date of the patient's death, or the date the device was returned to the distributor, permanently retired from use, or otherwise permanently disposed of.

(b) A final distributor, upon sale or other distribution of a tracked device for use in or by the patient, shall promptly provide the manufacturer tracking the device with the following information:

(1) The name and address of the final distributor,

(2) The lot number, batch number, model number, or serial number of the device or other identifier used by the manufacturer to track the device;

(3) The name, address, telephone number, and social security number (if available) of the patient receiving the device, unless not released by the patient under §821.55(a);

(4) The date the device was provided to the patient or for use in the patient;

(5) The name, mailing address, and telephone number of the prescribing physician;

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(6) The name, mailing address, and telephone number of the physician regularly following the patient if different than the prescribing physician; and

(7) When applicable, the date the device was explanted and the name, mailing address, and telephone number of the explanting physician, the date of the patient's death, or the date the device was returned to the manufacturer, permanently retired from use, or otherwise permanently disposed of.

(c)(1) A multiple distributor shall keep written records of the following each time such device is distributed for use by a patient:

(i) The lot number, batch number, or model number, or serial number of the device or other identifier used by the manufacturer to track the device;

(ii) The name, address, telephone number, and social security number (if available) of the patient using the device;

(iii) The location of the device, unless not released by the patient under § 821.55(a);

(iv) The date the device was provided for use by the patient;

(v) The name, address, and telephone number of the prescribing physician;

(vi) The name, address, and telephone number of the physician regularly following the patient if different than the prescribing physician; and

(vii) When applicable, the date the device was permanently retired from use or otherwise permanently disposed of.

(2) Except as required by order under section 518(e) of the act, any person who is a multiple distributor subject to the recordkeeping requirement of paragraph (c)(1) of this section shall, within 5 working days of a request from the manufacturer or within 10 working days of a request from FDA for the information identified in paragraph (c)(1) of this section, provide such information to the manufacturer or FDA.

(d) A distributor, final distributor, or multiple distributor shall make any records required to be kept under this part available to the manufacturer of the tracked device for audit upon written request by an authorized representative of the manufacturer.

(e) A distributor, final distributor, or multiple distributor may petition for

an exemption or variance from one or more requirements of this part according to the procedures in § 821.2.

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Subpart D—Records and Inspections

§ 821.50 Availability.

(a) Manufacturers, distributors, multiple distributors, and final distributors shall, upon the presentation by an FDA representative of official credentials and the issuance of Form FDA 482 at the initiation of an inspection of an establishment or person under section 704 of the act, make each record and all information required to be collected and maintained under this part and all records and information related to the events and persons identified in such records available to FDA personnel.

(b) Records and information referenced in paragraph (a) of this section shall be available to FDA personnel for purposes of reviewing, copying, or any other use related to the enforcement of the act and this part. Records required to be kept by this part shall be kept in a centralized point for each manufacturer or distributor within the United States.

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§ 821.55 Confidentiality.

(a) Any patient receiving a device subject to tracking requirements under this part may refuse to release, or refuse permission to release, the patient's name, address, telephone number, and social security number, or other identifying information for the purpose of tracking.

(b) Records and other information submitted to FDA under this part shall be protected from public disclosure to the extent permitted under part 20 of this chapter, and in accordance with § 20.63 of this chapter, information contained in such records that would identify patient or research subjects shall not be available for public disclosure except as provided in those parts.

(c) Patient names or other identifiers may be disclosed to a manufacturer or other person subject to this part or to