



# How big data support post marketing surveillance in USA: the Sentinel Initiative

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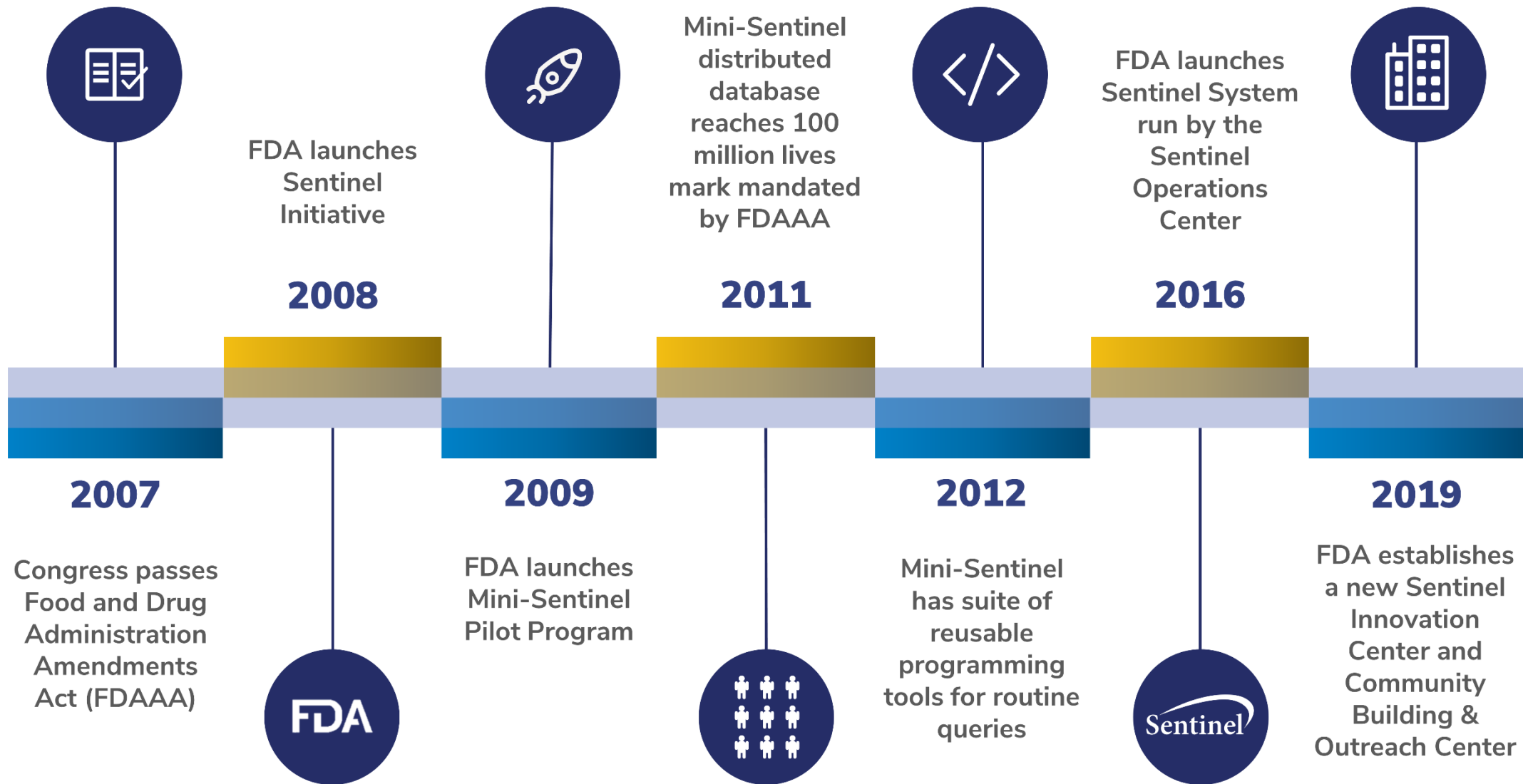
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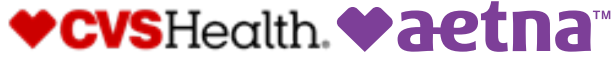


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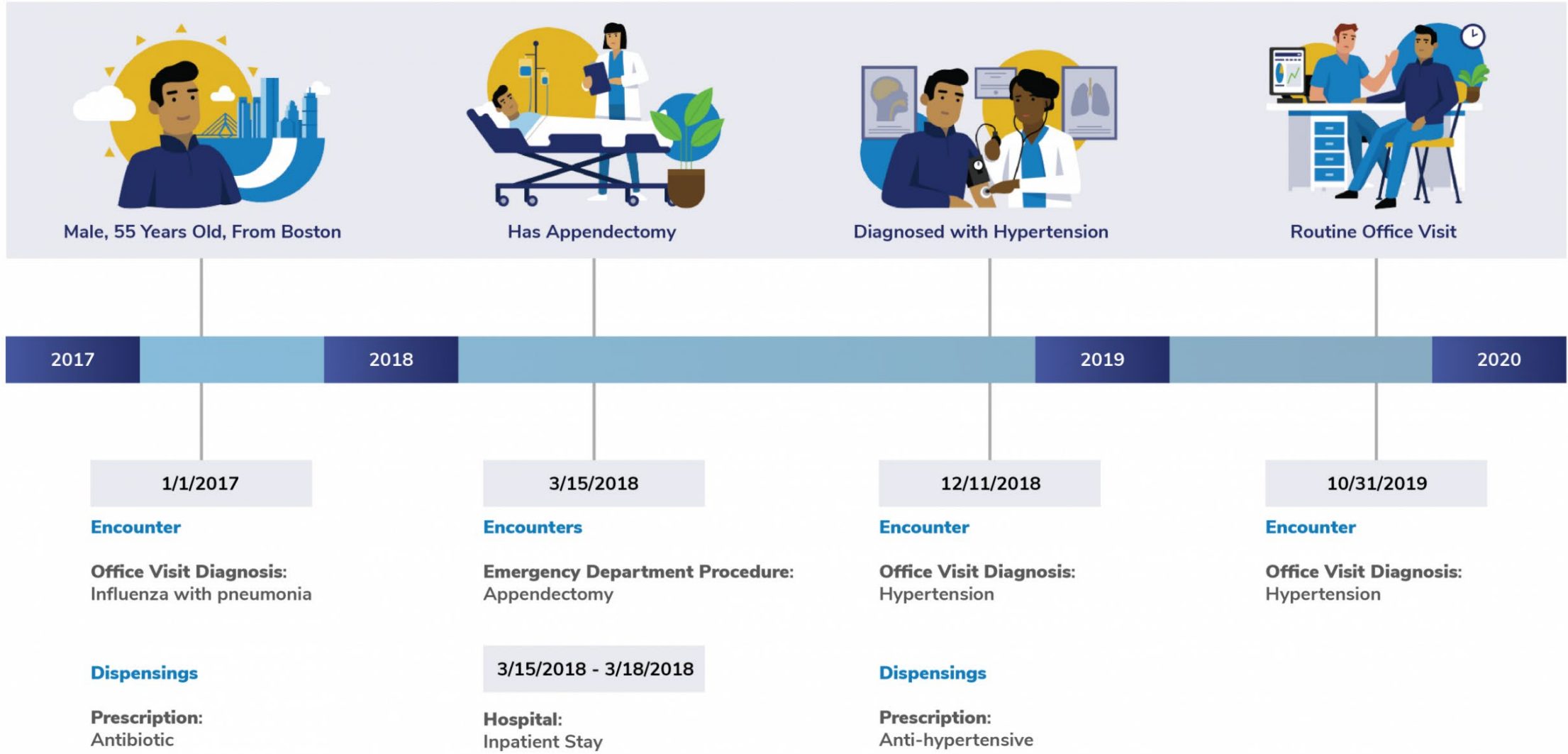


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## DISPENSING

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## ENROLLMENT

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## DEATH

PATID	DEATHDT	DTIMPUTE	SOURCE	CONFIDENCE
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## ENCOUNTER

PATID	ENCOUNTERID	ADATE	DDATE	ENCTYPE
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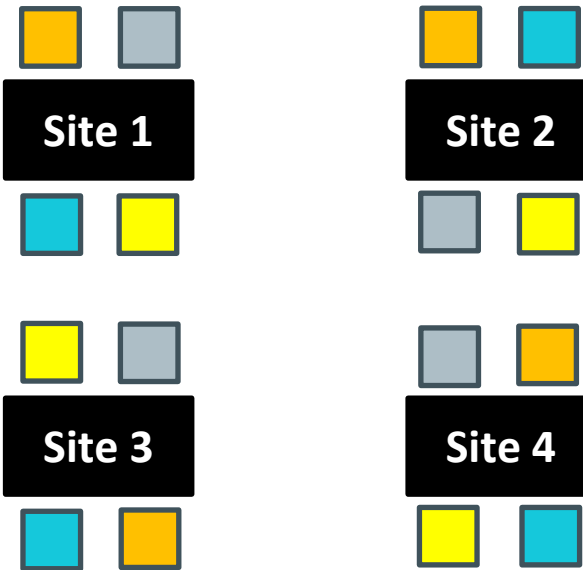
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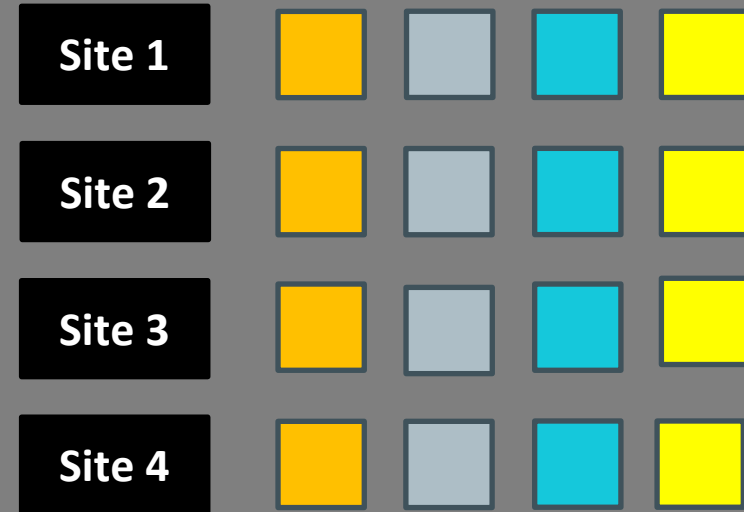
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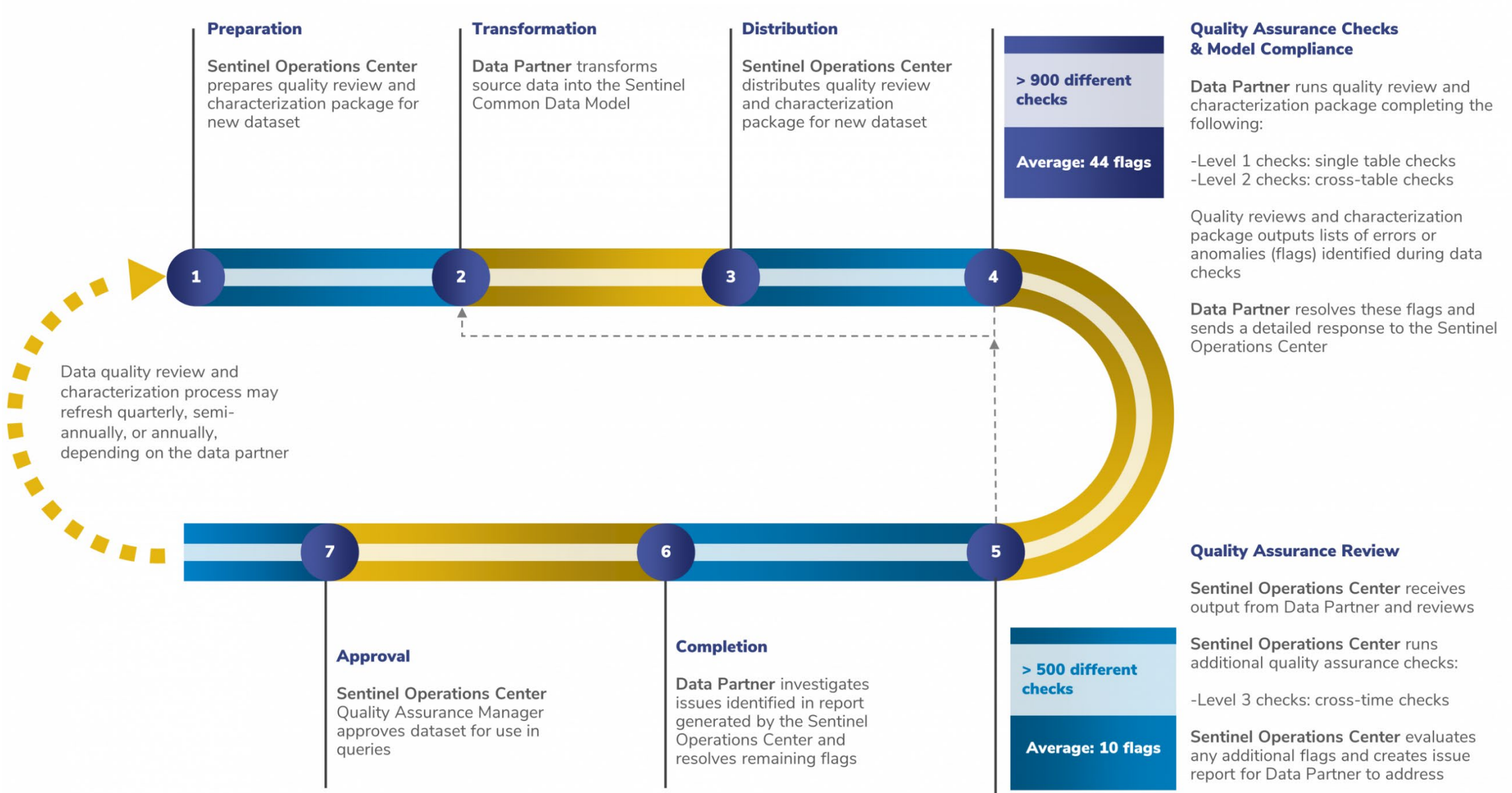
## Individual data partners



## Data standardization









## Types of Data Quality Checks and Examples

### Level 1 Checks: Single table checks

- ✓ **Completeness**  
Admission date is not missing value
- ✓ **Validity**  
Admission date is in date format

### Level 2 Checks: Cross-table checks

- ✓ **Accuracy**  
Admission date occurs before the patient's discharge
- ✓ **Integrity**  
Admission date occurs within the patient's active enrollment period

### Level 3 Checks: Cross-time checks

- ✓ **Consistency of Trends**  
There is no sizable percent change in admission date record counts by month-year

**Guidance for Industry and FDA Staff**  
**Best Practices for Conducting**  
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**SENTINEL DATA QUALITY ASSURANCE**  
**PRACTICES**

**COMPLIANCE WITH “GUIDANCE FOR INDUSTRY AND FDA STAFF: BEST  
PRACTICES FOR CONDUCTING AND REPORTING  
PHARMACOEPIDEMOLOGIC SAFETY STUDIES USING ELECTRONIC  
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## Sentinel Common Data Model

Administrative Data							Mother-Infant Linkage Data	Auxiliary Data	
Enrollment	Demographic	Dispensing	Encounter	Diagnosis	Procedure	Prescribing	Mother-Infant Linkage	Facility	Provider
Patient ID	Patient ID	Patient ID	Patient ID	Patient ID	Patient ID	Patient ID	Mother ID	Facility ID	Provider ID
Enrollment Start & End Dates	Birth Date	Provider ID	Encounter ID & Type	Encounter ID & Type	Encounter ID & Type	Encounter ID	Mother Birth Date	Facility Location	Provider Specialty & Specialty Code Type
Medical Coverage	Sex	Dispensing Date	Service Date(s)	Provider ID	Provider ID	Provider ID	Encounter ID & Type		
Drug Coverage	Postal Code	Rx	Facility ID	Service Date(s)	Service Date(s)	Order Date	Mother Admission & Discharge Date		
Medical Record Availability	Race	Rx Code Type	Etc.	Diagnosis Code & Type	Procedure Code & Type	Rx	Child ID		
	Etc.	Days Supply		Principal Discharge Diagnosis	Etc.	Days Supply	Childbirth Date		
		Amount Dispensed				Rx Route of Delivery	Mother-Infant Match Method		
						Etc.	Etc.		

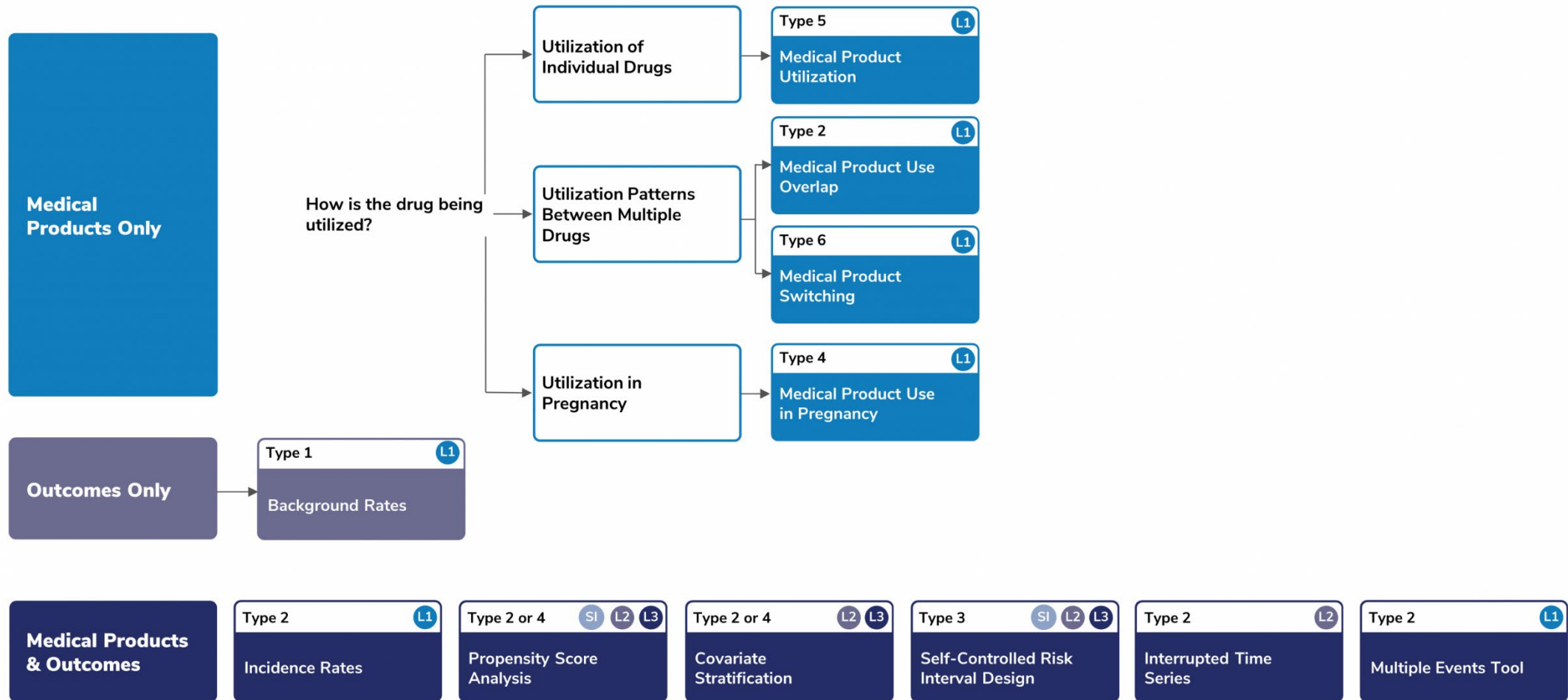
  

Registry Data			Inpatient Data		Clinical Data		Patient-Reported Measures (PRM) Data	
Death	Cause of Death	State Vaccine*	Inpatient Pharmacy	Inpatient Transfusion	Lab Result	Vital Signs	PRM Survey	PRM Survey Response
Patient ID	Patient ID	Patient ID	Patient ID	Patient ID	Patient ID	Patient ID	Measure ID	Patient ID
Death Date	Cause of Death	Vaccination Date	Encounter ID	Encounter ID	Result & Specimen Collection Dates	Measurement Date & Time	Survey ID	Encounter ID
Date Imputed Flag	Source	Admission Date	Rx Administration Date & Time	Transfusion Administration ID	Test Type, Immediacy & Location	Height & Weight	Question ID	Measure ID
Source	Confidence	Vaccine Code & Type	National Drug Code (NDC)	Administration Start & End Date & Time	Logical Observation Identifiers Names and Codes (LOINC®)	Diastolic & Systolic BP	Etc.	Survey ID
Confidence	Etc.	Provider	Rx ID	Transfusion Product Code		Tobacco Use & Type		Question ID
Etc.		Etc.	Route	Blood Type		Etc.		Response Text
			Dose	Etc.				Etc.
			Etc.					




\*The State Vaccine table has not been in use since SCDM v6.0.

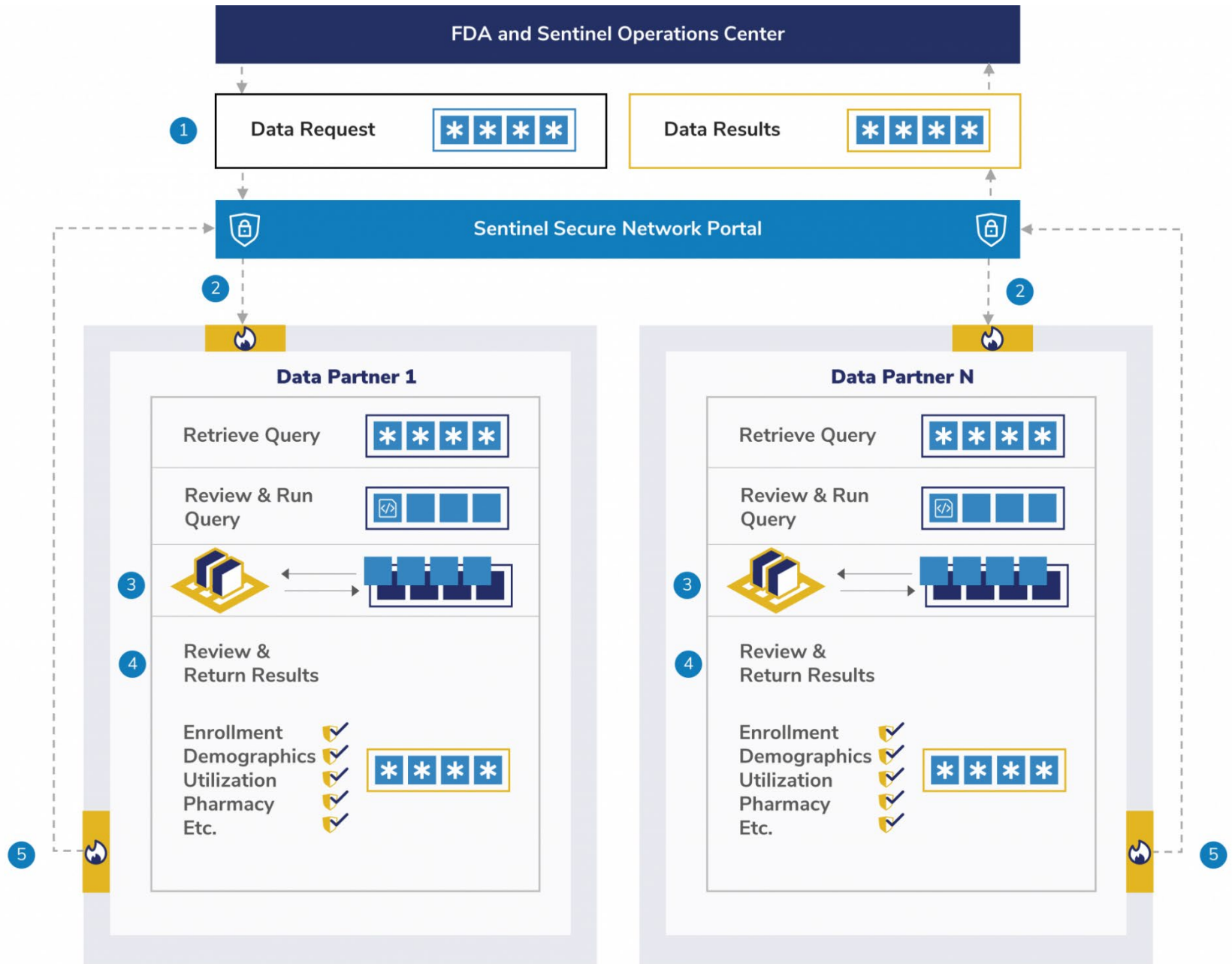
# What are you investigating?

SI Signal Identification   
 L1 Level 1 Analysis   
 L2 Level 2 Analysis   
 L3 Level 3 Analysis

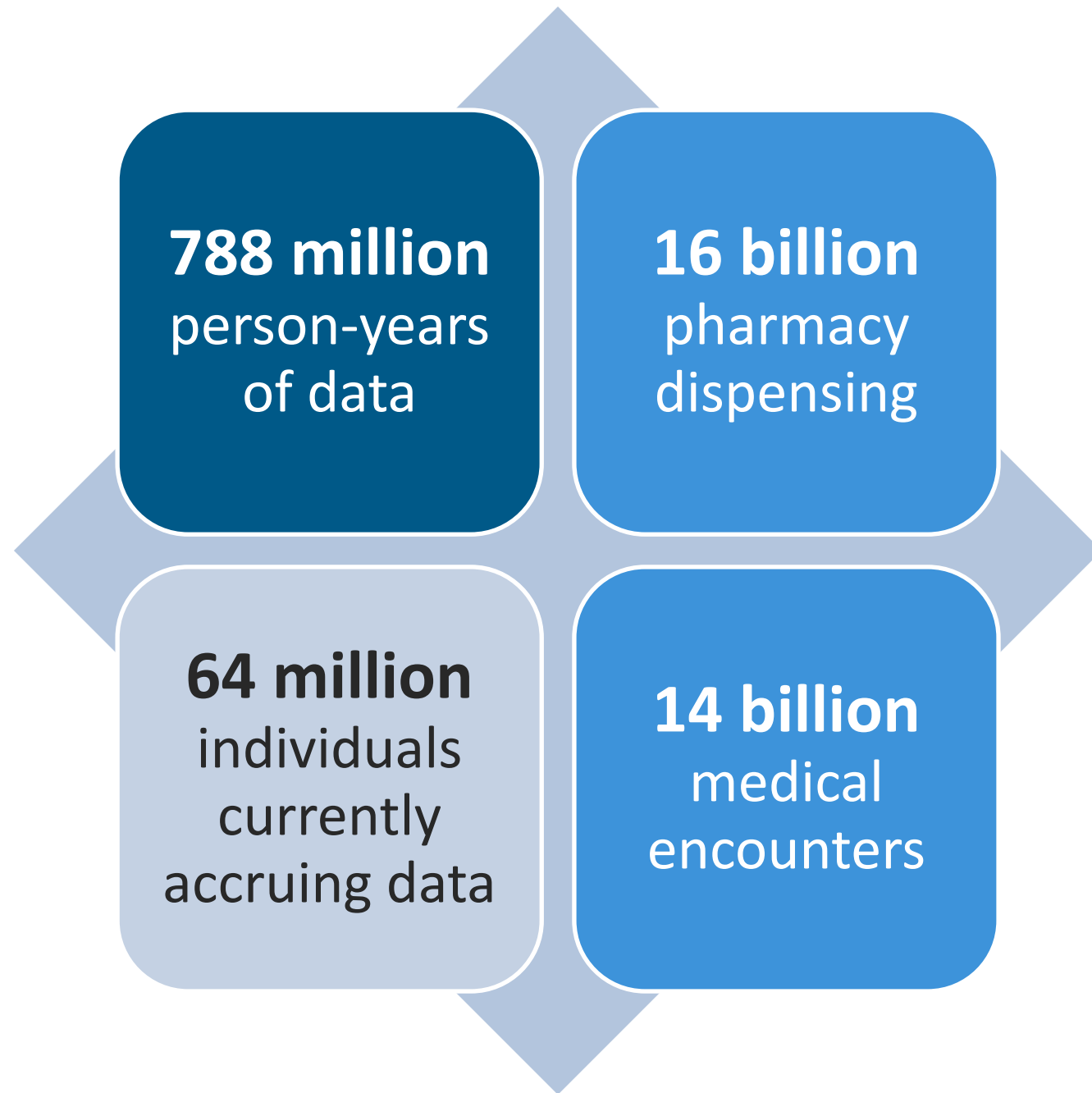


- 1 FDA data request sent to Data Partners via FISMA-compliant secure network portal
- 2 Data Partners retrieve query
- 3 Data Partners review and run query against their local data behind their firewalls
- 4 Data Partners review results for accuracy and privacy compliance
- 5 Data Partners return de-identified results to SOC via secure portal

-  Firewall
-  Local Data
-  Privacy Compliance







# Sentinel's Multi-Modal Response System

## Claims (with Limited EHR Network)

Active Risk Identification and Analysis (ARIA)\*

Sentinel Distributed Database

Merative™ MarketScan® Research Databases

- Sentinel Common Data Model
- Sentinel Analytic Tools
- Access to Medical Records within the Sentinel Distributed Database

## EHR Data Aggregators

TriNetX

IBM Watson Health

- Proprietary Common Data Models
- Web-Based Query Interface & Custom Programming
- Access to Medical Records varies by Source

## EHR Data Warehouses

HCA Healthcare

Veradigm

- Data Warehouses for Multiple Healthcare Organizations in a System
- Custom Programming
- Access to Medical Records

## EHR Networks

PCORnet

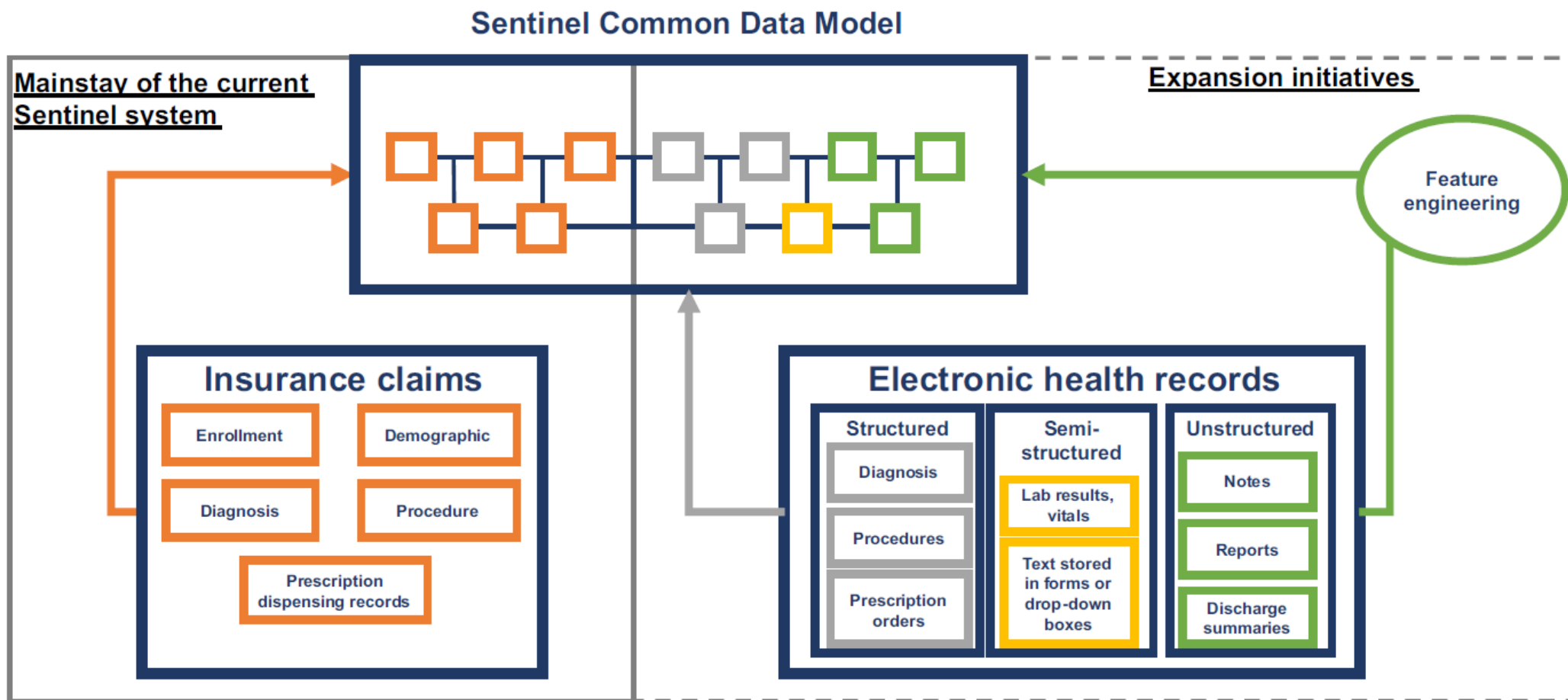
- PCORnet Common Data Model
- PCORnet Analytic Tools
- Access to Medical Records

\***Note:** The Active Risk Identification and Analysis (ARIA) System is comprised of the Sentinel Distributed Database, the Sentinel Common Data Model, and Sentinel analytic tools.

# Broadening the reach of the FDA Sentinel system: A roadmap for integrating electronic health record data in a causal analysis framework

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## Validation of acute myocardial infarction in the Food and Drug Administration's Mini-Sentinel program

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## Validity of diagnostic codes to identify cases of severe acute liver injury in the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's Mini-Sentinel Distributed Database

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## VALIDATION OF ACUTE KIDNEY INJURY CASES IN THE MINI-SENTINEL DISTRIBUTED DATABASE






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## Validation of an electronic algorithm for Hodgkin and non-Hodgkin lymphoma in ICD-10-CM

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## Validity of ICD-10-CM diagnoses to identify hospitalizations for serious infections among patients treated with biologic therapies

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## Validation of an ICD-10-based algorithm to identify stillbirth in the Sentinel System



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## Validation of diagnosis codes to identify hospitalized COVID-19 patients in health care claims data

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# Evaluating automated approaches to anaphylaxis case classification using unstructured data from the FDA Sentinel System

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## Electronic phenotyping of health outcomes of interest using a linked claims-electronic health record database: Findings from a machine learning pilot project

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# Successful Comparison of US Food and Drug Administration Sentinel Analysis Tools to Traditional Approaches in Quantifying a Known Drug-Adverse Event Association

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### Evaluation of the US Food and Drug Administration sentinel analysis tools in confirming previously observed drug-outcome associations: The case of clindamycin and *Clostridium difficile* infection

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## Sentinel Modular Program for Propensity Score–Matched Cohort Analyses

### *Application to Glyburide, Glipizide, and Serious Hypoglycemia*

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### Evaluation of the US Food and Drug Administration Sentinel Analysis Tools Using a Comparator with a Different Indication: Comparing the Rates of Gastrointestinal Bleeding in Warfarin and Statin Users

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# Conduct retrospective studies of medication safety

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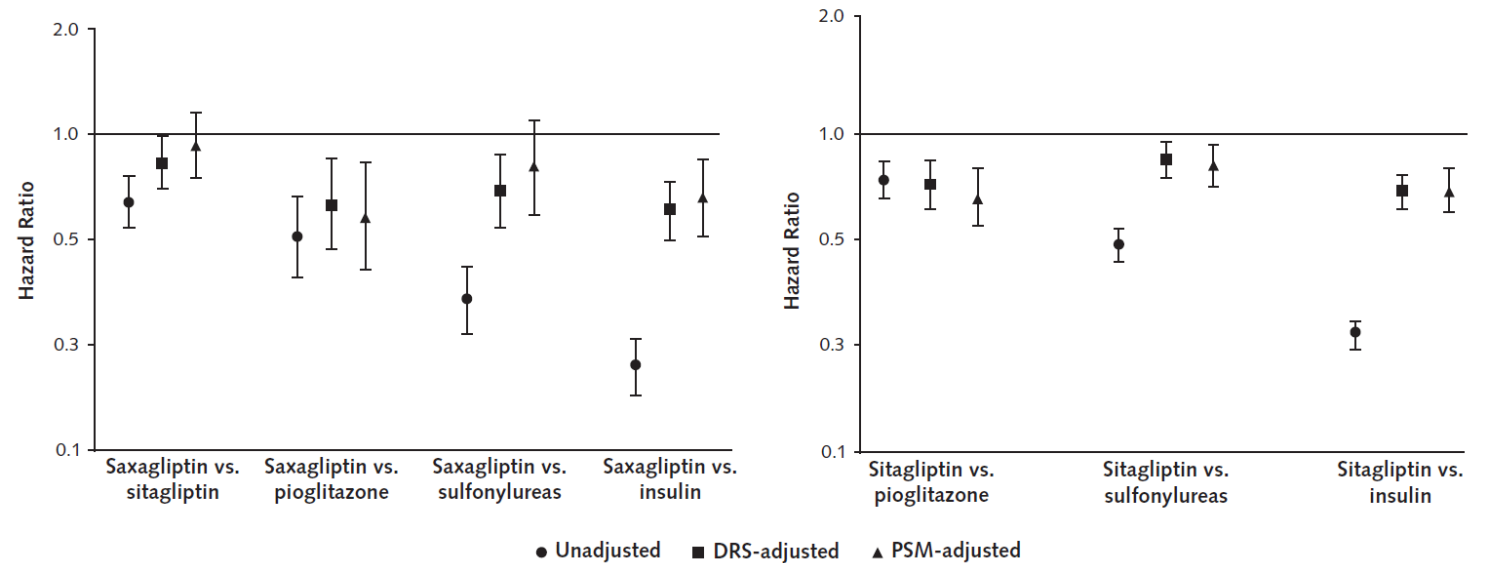
## Risk for Hospitalized Heart Failure Among New Users of Saxagliptin, Sitagliptin, and Other Antihyperglycemic Drugs

### A Retrospective Cohort Study

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**Figure 2.** Hazard ratios and 95% CIs for hospitalized heart failure, by study drug and analysis.



Hazard ratio <1 indicates a lower risk for hospitalized heart failure among users of saxagliptin (left) or sitagliptin (right). DRS = disease risk score; PSM = propensity score matching.



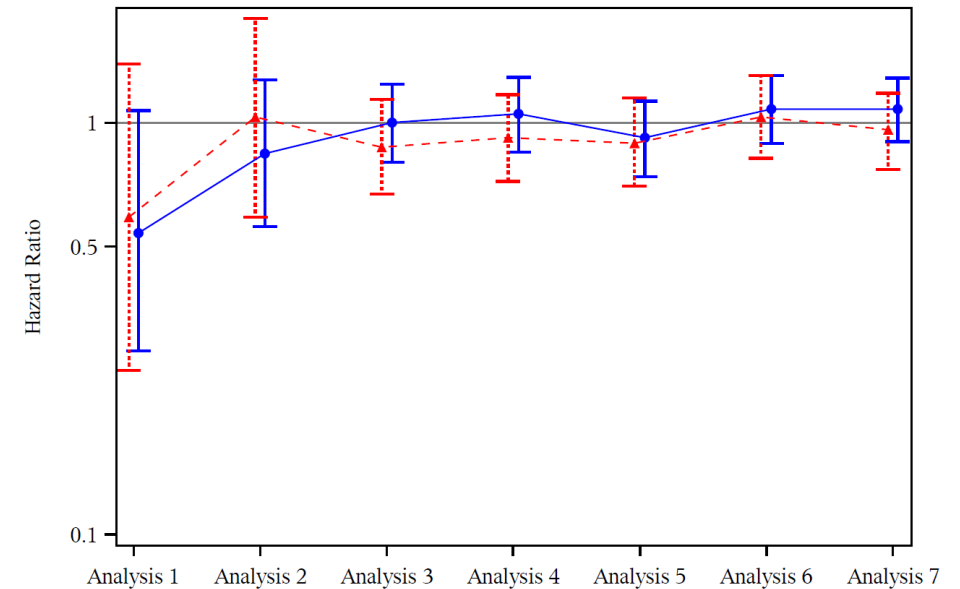
# Conduct prospective safety surveillance of new medications



## Prospective Postmarketing Surveillance of Acute Myocardial Infarction in New Users of Saxagliptin: A Population-Based Study

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Method: ● Disease risk score stratification ▲ Propensity score matching

Each estimate is based on the cumulative data on all AMIs in users since August 1, 2009

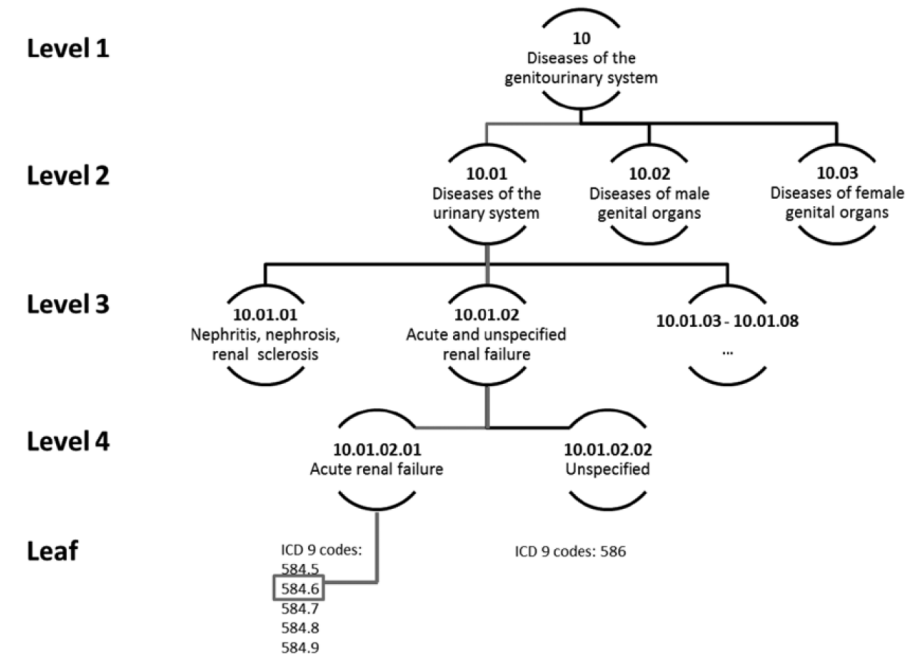
# Conduct signal identification studies

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

## Data Mining for Adverse Drug Events With a Propensity Score-matched Tree-based Scan Statistic

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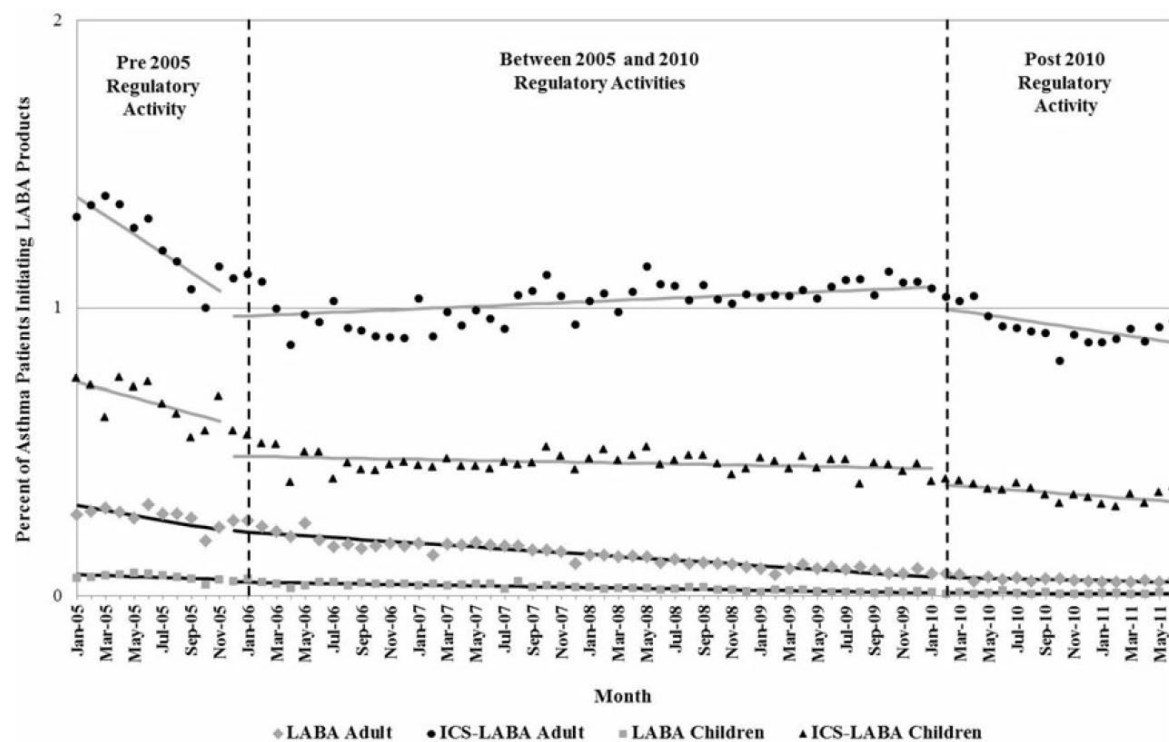


# Evaluate impact of FDA regulatory actions

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## The impact of FDA regulatory activities on incident dispensing of LABA-containing medication: 2005–2011

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**Figure 2.** Percentage of LABA product initiation before, between and after the 2005 and 2010 FDA regulatory activities for LABA-containing agents in children and adults with asthma and no history of a LABA dispensing in 180 days.

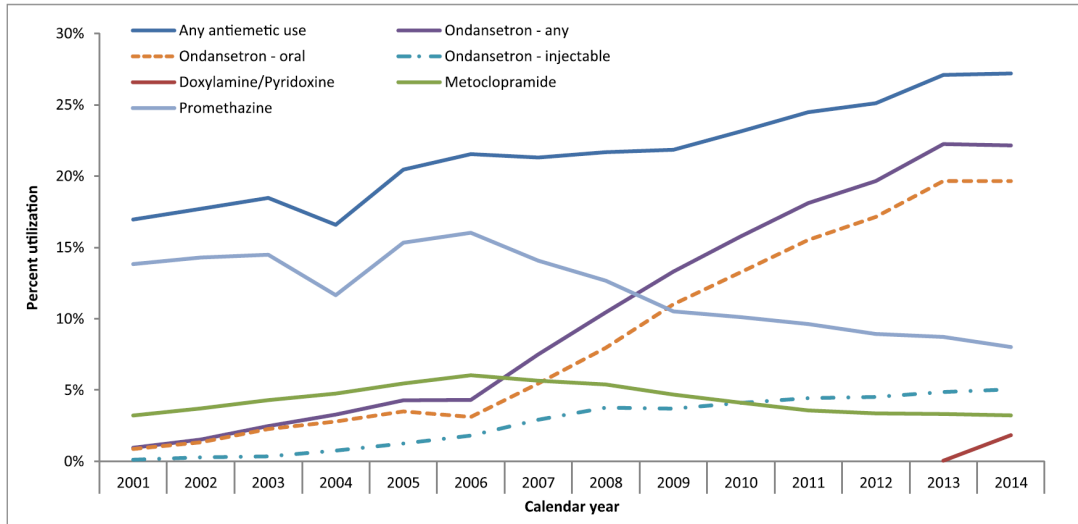
# Examine medication exposure during pregnancy

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## BRIEF REPORT

### Antiemetic use among pregnant women in the United States: the escalating use of ondansetron

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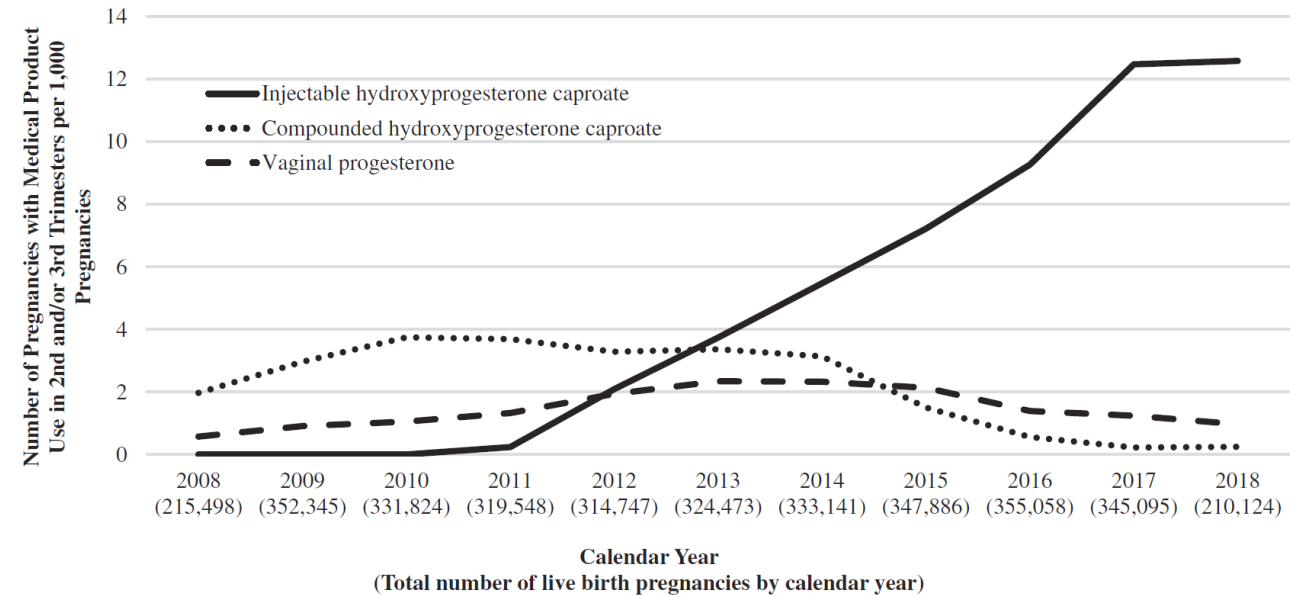


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### Utilization of hydroxyprogesterone caproate among pregnancies with live birth deliveries in the sentinel distributed database

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# Examine medication safety during pregnancy





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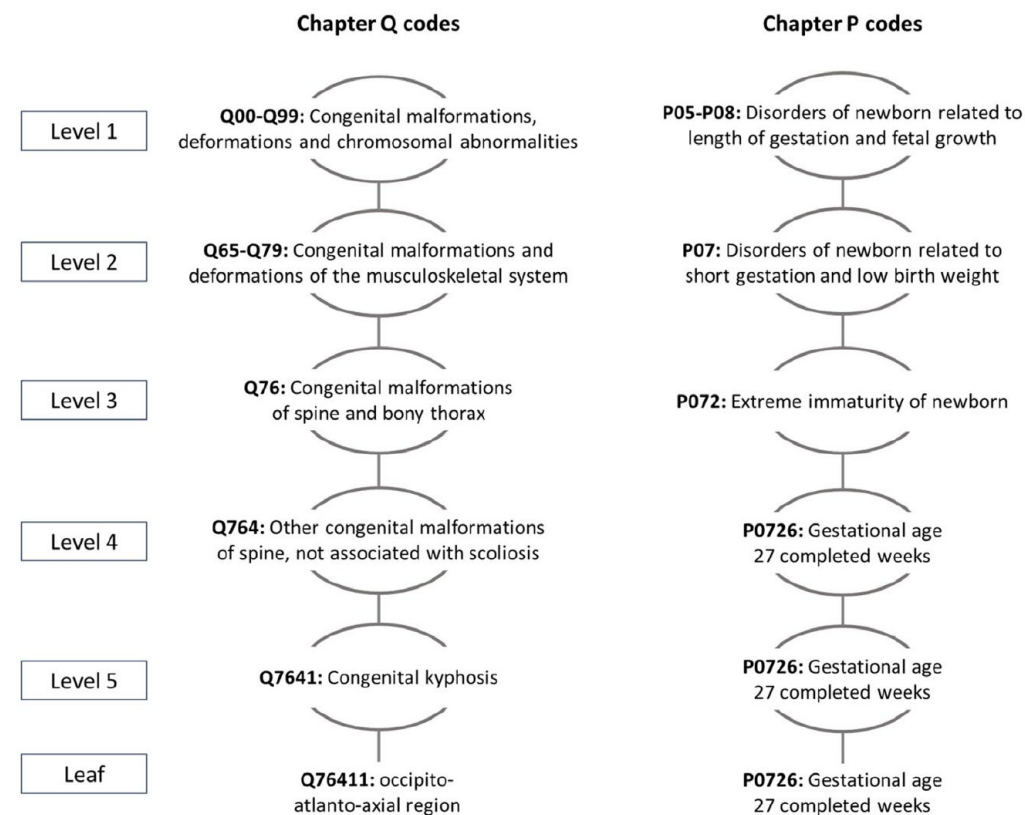
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## Novel methods for pregnancy drug safety surveillance in the FDA Sentinel System

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# Identify potential medication errors



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## Development of an algorithm to detect methotrexate wrong frequency error using computerized health care data

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## Identification of potential drug name confusion errors in the Sentinel System

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# Conduct post-market requirement studies of new products



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NDA APPROVAL

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## **SENTINEL/ARIA NOTIFICATION**

The Food and Drug Administration Amendments Act of 2007 (FDAAA) required FDA to establish a national electronic system to monitor the safety of FDA-regulated medical products. In fulfillment of this mandate, FDA established the Sentinel System, which enables FDA to proactively monitor drug safety using electronic health data from multiple data sources that contribute to the Sentinel Distributed Database.

FDA plans to evaluate tenapanor in the Sentinel System as part of the implementation of section 505(o) of the FDCA. We have determined that the new pharmacovigilance system, Sentinel's Active Risk Identification and Analysis (ARIA) System, established under section 505(k)(3) of the FDCA, is sufficient to assess the following serious risks: risk of inflammatory bowel disease.

The ARIA safety assessment will be posted to the Sentinel website.<sup>3</sup> Once there is sufficient product uptake to support an analysis, an analysis plan will be posted online. After the analysis is complete, FDA will also post the results on the Sentinel website. FDA will notify you prior to posting the analysis plan and prior to posting the results.

# Inform label change

## HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

These highlights do not include all the information needed to use RotaTeq safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for RotaTeq.

RotaTeq (Rotavirus Vaccine, Live, Oral, Pentavalent)  
Oral Solution  
Initial U.S. Approval: 2006

### RECENT MAJOR CHANGES

Indications and Usage (1) 02/2017

### INDICATIONS AND USAGE

RotaTeq® is a vaccine indicated for the prevention of rotavirus gastroenteritis caused by types G1, G2, G3, G4, and G9. (1)

RotaTeq is approved for use in infants 6 weeks to 32 weeks of age. (1)

### DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

- FOR ORAL USE ONLY. NOT FOR INJECTION. (2)
- The vaccination series consists of three ready-to-use liquid doses of RotaTeq administered orally starting at 6 to 12 weeks of age,

### WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- No safety or efficacy data are available from clinical trials regarding the administration of RotaTeq to infants who are potentially immunocompromised (e.g., HIV/AIDS). (5.2)
- In a post-marketing study, cases of intussusception were observed in temporal association within 21 days following the first dose of RotaTeq, with a clustering of cases in the first 7 days. (5.3, 6.2)
- No safety or efficacy data are available for the administration of RotaTeq to infants with a history of gastrointestinal disorders (e.g., active acute gastrointestinal illness, chronic diarrhea, failure to thrive, history of congenital abdominal disorders, and abdominal surgery). (5.4)
- Vaccine virus transmission from vaccine recipient to non-vaccinated contacts has been reported. Caution is advised when considering whether to administer RotaTeq to individuals with immunodeficient contacts. (5.5)

### ADVERSE REACTIONS

Most common adverse events included diarrhea, vomiting, irritability, otitis media, nasopharyngitis, and bronchospasm. (6.1)

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### Intussusception Risk after Rotavirus Vaccination in U.S. Infants

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### Post-Marketing Observational Safety Surveillance Studies

The temporal association between vaccination with RotaTeq and intussusception was evaluated in the **Post-licensure Rapid Immunization Safety Monitoring (PRISM) program<sup>2</sup>** an electronic active surveillance program comprised of 3 US health insurance plans.

More than 1.2 million RotaTeq vaccinations (507,000 of which were first doses) administered to infants 5 through 36 weeks of age were evaluated. From 2004 through 2011, potential cases of intussusception in either the inpatient or emergency department setting and vaccine exposures were identified through electronic procedure and diagnosis codes. Medical records were reviewed to confirm intussusception and rotavirus vaccination status.

The risk of intussusception was assessed using self-controlled risk interval and cohort designs, with adjustment for age. Risk windows of 1-7 and 1-21 days were evaluated. Cases of intussusception were observed in temporal association within 21 days following the first dose of RotaTeq, with a clustering of cases in the first 7 days. Based on the results, approximately 1 to 1.5 excess cases of intussusception occur per 100,000 vaccinated US infants within 21 days following the first dose of RotaTeq. In the first year of life, the background rate of intussusception hospitalizations in the US has been estimated to be approximately 34 per 100,000 infants.<sup>3</sup>





# Inform label change

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Article

**Risk of Nonmelanoma Skin Cancer in Association With Use of Hydrochlorothiazide-Containing Products in the United States**

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## Postmarketing Experience:

### Non-melanoma Skin Cancer

Hydrochlorothiazide is associated with an increased risk of non-melanoma skin cancer. In a study conducted in the **Sentinel System**, increased risk was predominantly for squamous cell carcinoma (SCC) and in white patients taking large cumulative doses. The increased risk for SCC in the overall population was approximately 1 additional case per 16,000 patients per year, and for white patients taking a cumulative dose of  $\geq 50,000$  mg the risk increase was approximately 1 additional SCC case for every 6,700 patients per year.

# Contribute to FDA advisory committee meeting

## FDA Briefing Document

**ARTHRITIS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
AND DRUG SAFETY AND RISK MANAGEMENT  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**January 11, 2019**

**NDA 21856**

**Febuxostat**

**Xanthine oxidase (XO) inhibitor for the chronic  
management of hyperuricemia in patients with gout**

**Takeda**

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Febuxostat (Uloric®), a selective inhibitor of xanthine oxidase, lowers serum uric acid levels by inhibiting the conversion of xanthine to uric acid. It was approved by the FDA in February 2009 for the management of chronic hyperuricemia in patients with gout. Preliminary results from a post-approval safety trial (Cardiovascular Safety of Febuxostat and Allopurinol in Patients with Gout and Cardiovascular Morbidity (CARES)) showed an increased risk of cardiovascular-related death and all-cause death in febuxostat users. As a result, FDA issued a drug safety communication in November 2017. An advisory committee (AC) meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2019 to discuss potential regulatory action to address the safety of febuxostat. For context, the Division of Pulmonary, Allergy, and Rheumatology Products (DPAAP) requested the Division of Epidemiology (DEPI) to investigate the characteristics of the gout population and use of febuxostat and allopurinol in real-world settings using the **Sentinel Distributed Database (SDD)** since the CARES trial was enriched for patients with CVD.



# Contribute to FDA Drug Safety Communication

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<a href="#">Drug Supply Chain Integrity</a>	▼

## FDA Drug Safety Communication: Update on the risk for serious bleeding events with the anticoagulant Pradaxa (dabigatran)

The FDA has issued new information about this safety issue, see the [FDA Drug Safety Communication issued 05-13-2014](#).

This update is a follow-up to the [FDA Drug Safety Communication of 12/7/2011](#): Safety review of post-market reports of serious bleeding events with the anticoagulant Pradaxa (dabigatran etexilate mesylate)

[Safety Announcement](#)  
[Additional Information for Patients](#)  
[Additional Information for Healthcare Professionals](#)  
[Data Summary](#)  
[References](#)

### Safety Announcement

**[11-02-2012]** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has evaluated new information about the risk of serious bleeding associated with use of the anticoagulants (blood thinners) dabigatran (Pradaxa) and warfarin (Coumadin, Jantoven, and generics). Following the approval of Pradaxa, FDA received a large number of post-marketing reports of bleeding among Pradaxa users. As a result, FDA investigated the actual rates of gastrointestinal bleeding (occurring in the stomach and intestines) and intracranial hemorrhage (a type of bleeding in the brain) for new users of Pradaxa compared to new users of warfarin. This assessment was done using insurance claims and administrative data from [FDA's Mini-Sentinel pilot of the Sentinel Initiative](#). The results of this Mini-Sentinel assessment indicate that bleeding rates associated with new use of Pradaxa do not appear to be higher than bleeding rates associated with new use of warfarin, which is consistent with observations from the large clinical trial used to approve Pradaxa (the RE-LY trial).<sup>1</sup> (see [Data Summary](#)). FDA is continuing to evaluate multiple sources of data in the ongoing safety review of this issue.

## Trial of erectile dysfunction drug on pregnant women stopped after 11 babies die

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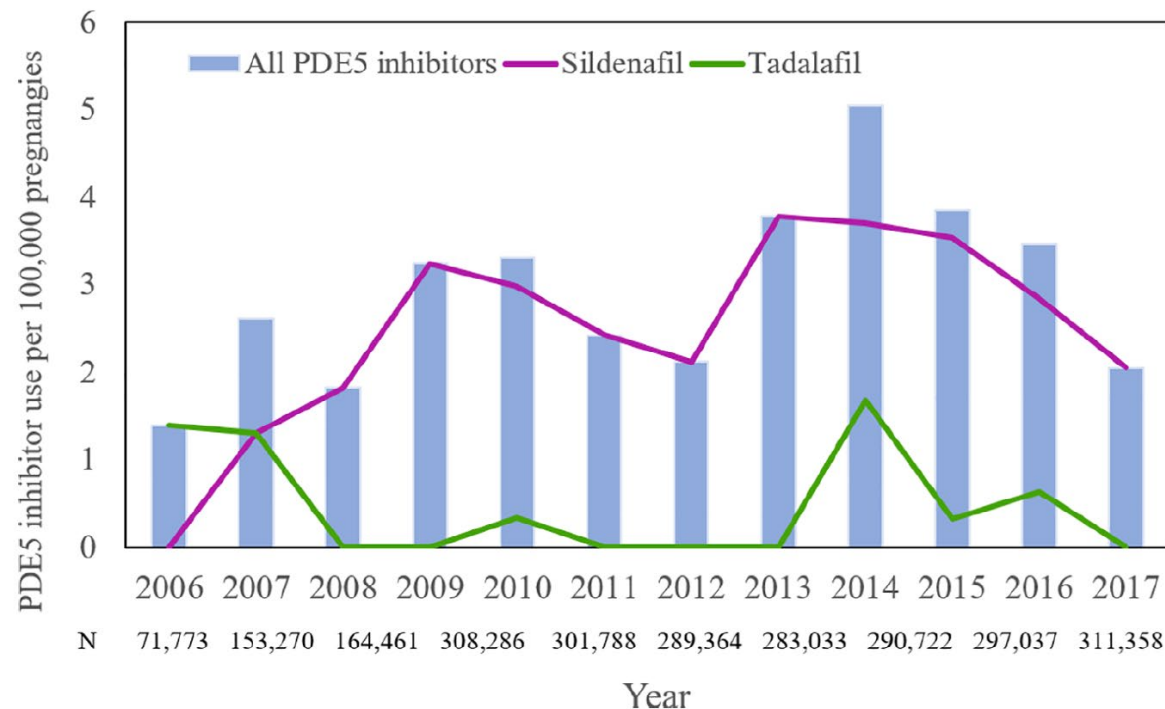
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### ORIGINAL REPORT

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### Phosphodiesterase type 5 inhibitor use among pregnant and reproductive-age women in the United States

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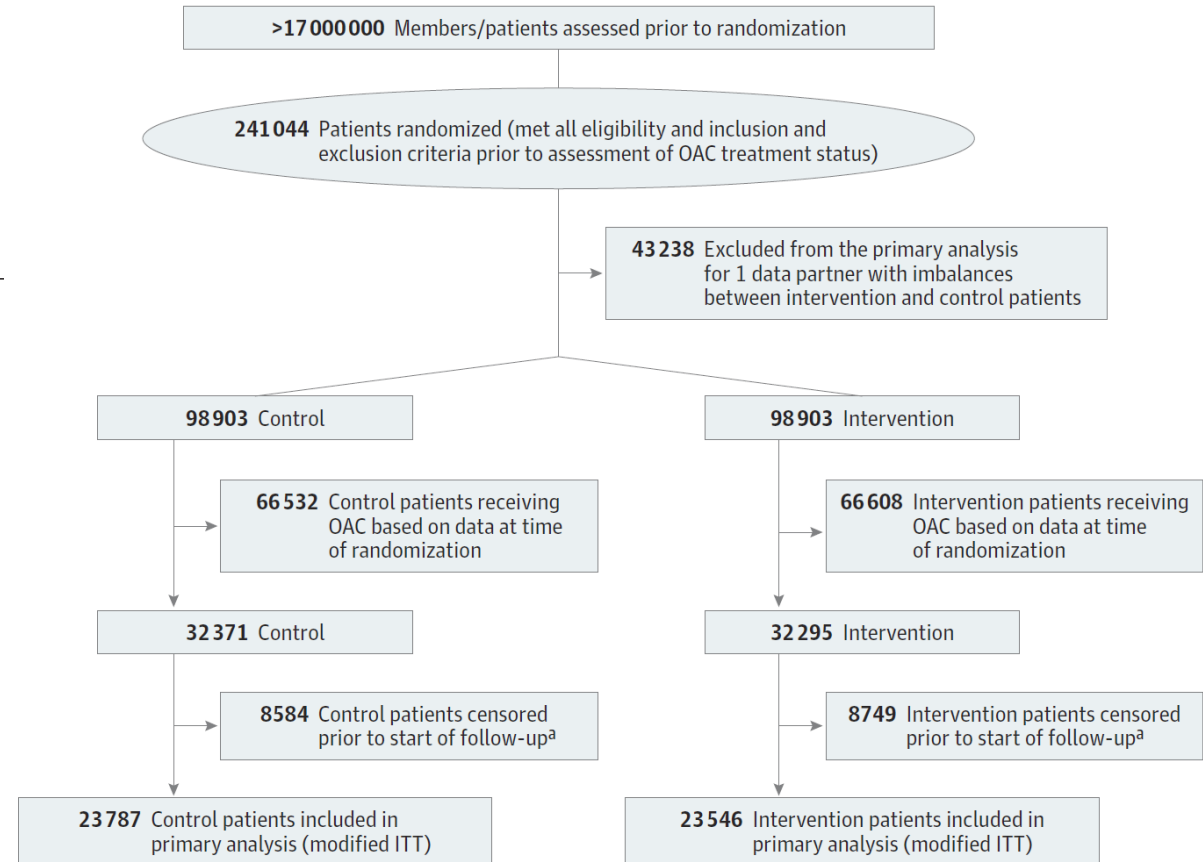


# Conduct pragmatic trials

## Effect of Mailing Educational Material to Patients With Atrial Fibrillation and Their Clinicians on Use of Oral Anticoagulants A Randomized Clinical Trial

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# Collect information directly from patients


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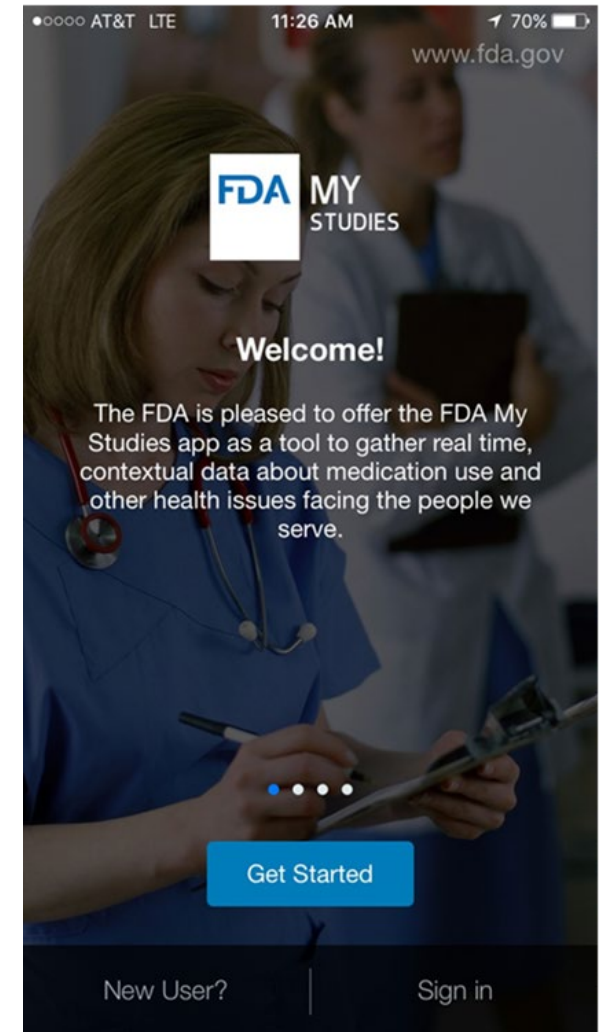
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## ORIGINAL ARTICLE

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# Use of a mobile app to capture supplemental health information during pregnancy: Implications for clinical research

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# Prepare for the next pandemic

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ORIGINAL REPORT

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## Prospective influenza vaccine safety surveillance using fresh data in the Sentinel System<sup>†</sup>

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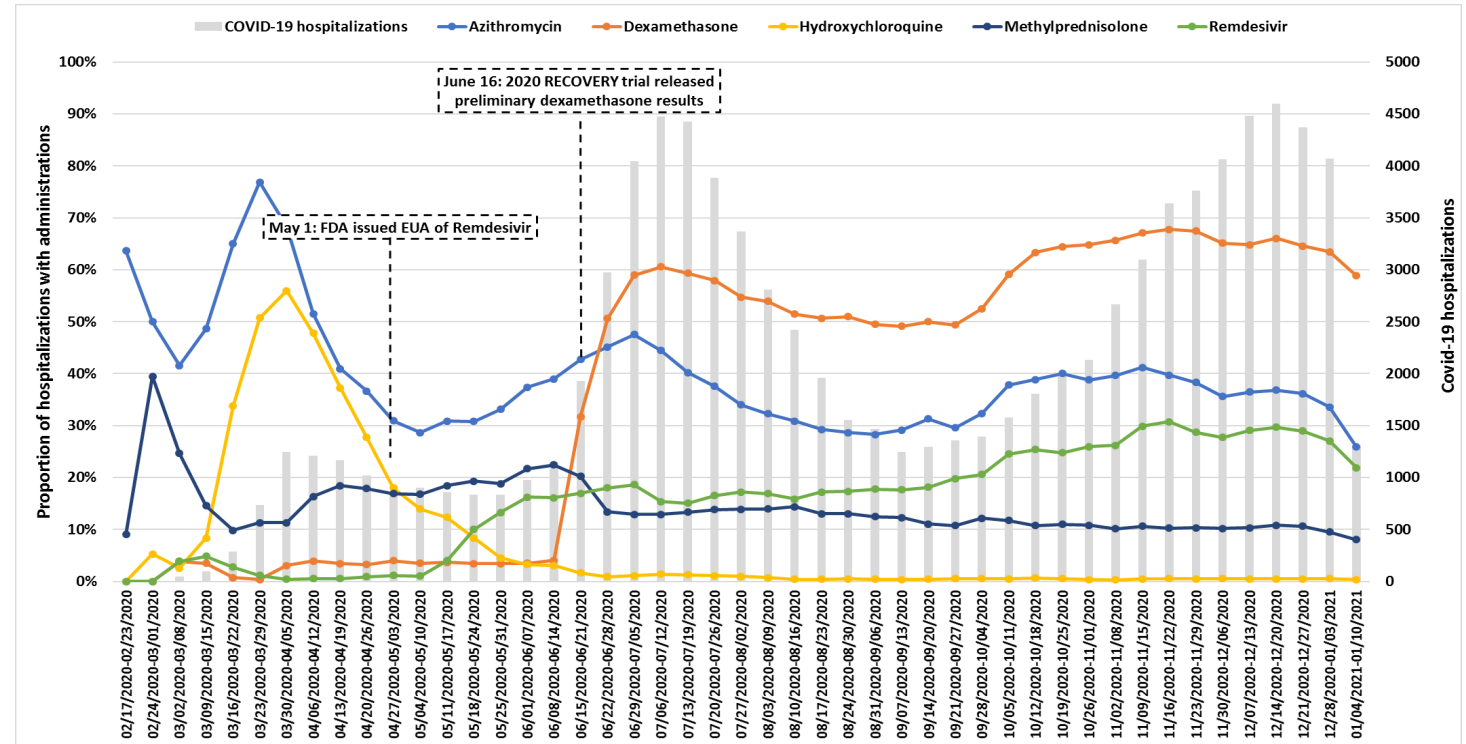
REVIEW

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## A COVID-19-ready public health surveillance system: The Food and Drug Administration's Sentinel System

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# Generate timely evidence during pandemic

## Research Letter

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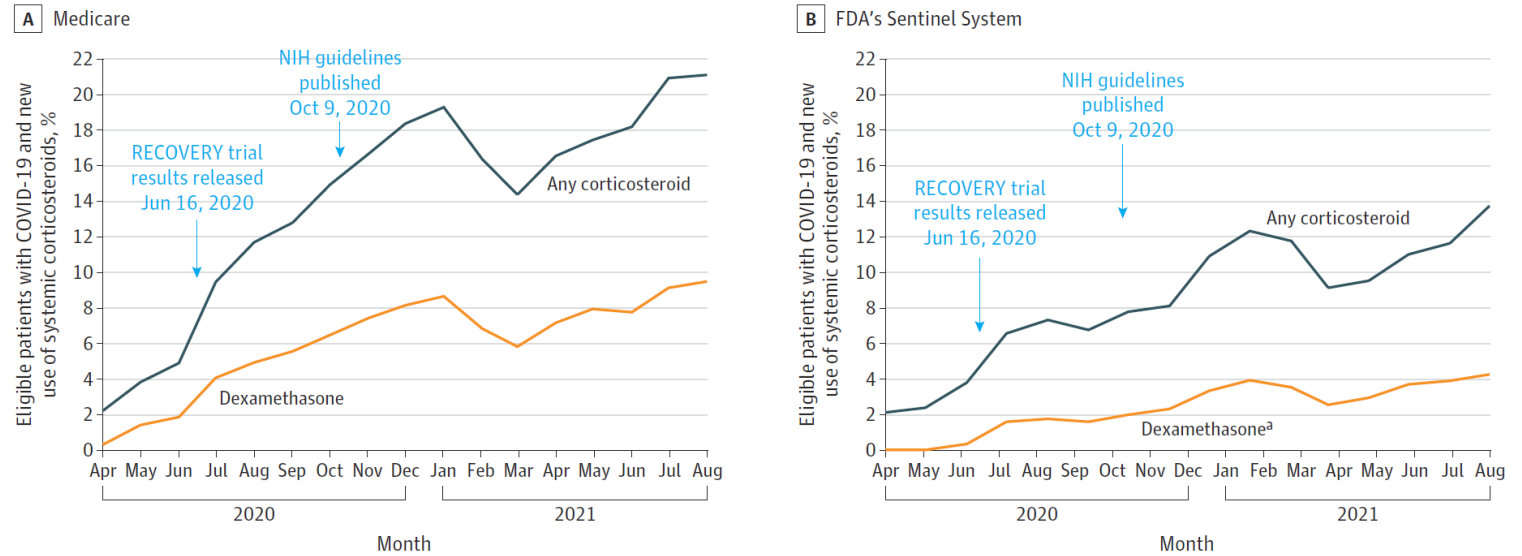
## Systemic Corticosteroid Use for COVID-19 in US Outpatient Settings From April 2020 to August 2021

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Figure. Proportion of Patients With COVID-19 Initiating Systemic Corticosteroids Within 14 Days of Diagnosis



FDA indicates Food and Drug Administration; NIH, National Institutes of Health; RECOVERY, Randomised Evaluation of COVID-19 Therapy.

<sup>a</sup> The name of the corticosteroid was only available for pharmacy dispensings.

# Generate timely evidence during pandemic

## Original Investigation

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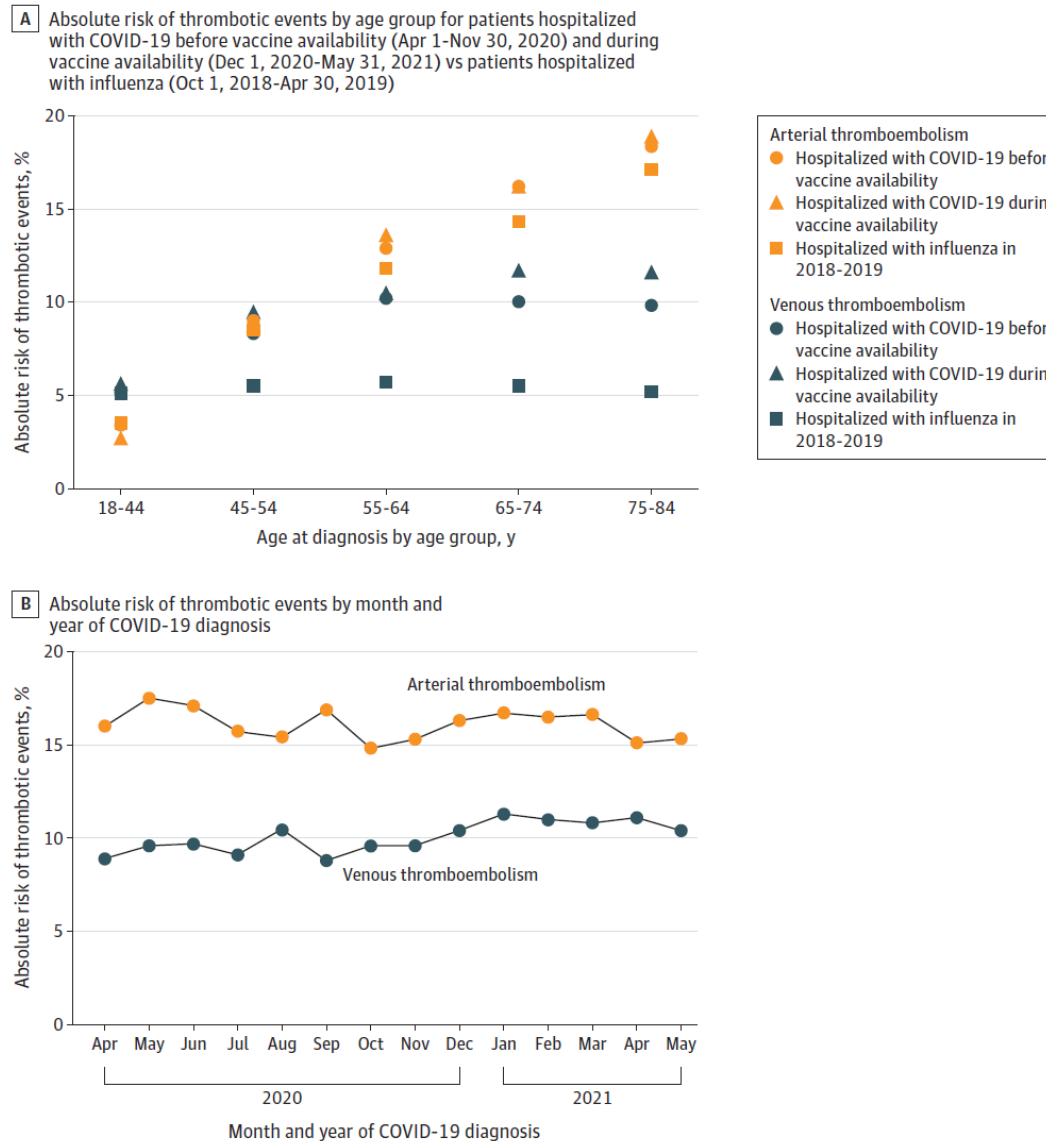
## Association of COVID-19 vs Influenza With Risk of Arterial and Venous Thrombotic Events Among Hospitalized Patients

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Figure. Absolute Risk of Inpatient Arterial and Venous Thrombotic Events





# Enable international collaboration during pandemic

## Natural History of COVID-19 among Pregnant Women

- **CONSIGN (Covid-19 infectiON and medicineS In pregnancy) conceptual replication**



# Enable international collaboration to address global issues

## Quantitative Assessment of the Impact of Nitrosamine Contamination and Angiotensin Receptor Blockers (ARB) Recall on ARB Utilization: A Multinational Study

**Details**

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# Eliquis (Apixaban), Pradaxa (Dabigatran), and Xarelto (Rivaroxaban) & Severe Uterine Bleed

## Details

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Status: **Complete**

Last Updated: Monday, May 24, 2021

Original Posting Date: Thursday, April 18, 2019

Health Outcome(s):

severe uterine bleed

Purpose: Drug and Outcome Analysis



### **Regulatory Determination / Use:**

Cases of severe uterine bleeding associated with use of novel oral anticoagulants (ACs) have been reported in the FDA Adverse Event Reporting System (FAERS) and the medical literature. FDA conducted a Sentinel study to examine severe uterine bleeding events requiring medical intervention in women treated with oral ACs. Among 1,050,192 new users of oral ACs, the incidence rates of severe uterine bleeding with medical, transfusion, and surgical (e.g., hysterectomy, myomectomy) management were 0.6, 1.7, and 5.0 per 1000 person-years, respectively. These findings contributed to the following class-wide label change for oral ACs in Section 8.3, “The risk of clinically significant uterine bleeding, potentially requiring gynecological surgical interventions, identified with oral anticoagulants including [PRODUCT name] should be assessed in females of reproductive potential and those with abnormal uterine bleeding.”

## Analytic Code Link(s) (1)



**Severe Uterine Bleed Following Novel Oral Anticoagulants Use: A Propensity Score Analysis**

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2 + The purpose of this request is to execute the Cohort Identification and Descriptive Analysis (CIDA) tool to perform a risk assessment of serious
3 + anticoagulants (rivaroxaban vs. dabigatran, rivaroxaban vs. apixaban, dabigatran vs. apixaban, rivaroxaban vs. warfarin). This is an update to
4 + custom code for propensity score (PS) stratification analysis.
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7 +                                     Coverage Requirement: Medical and Drug Coverage
8 +                                     Pre-exposure Enrollment: 183 days
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11 +                                     Enrollment Gap: 45 days
12 +                                     Sex: Female
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14 +                                     Stratifications: Age (years): 18-50; 51+
15 +                                     Index-defining novel oral anticoagulant (NOAC) dose: low; h
16 +                                     Any gynecological disorder (see Appendix C)
17 +                                     Age*dose: 18-50, low; 18-50, high; 51+, low; 51+, high
18 +                                     Deep vein thrombosis (DVT)/Pulmonary embolism (PE)
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## Result(s) (3)



**Incidence of Severe Uterine Bleed Following Novel Oral Anticoagulants Use: A Descriptive Analysis**



**Severe Uterine Bleed Following Novel Oral Anticoagulants Use: A Propensity Score Analysis**



**Incidence Rate of Severe Uterine Bleeding Among New Users of Oral Anticoagulants: A Descriptive Analysis**

**Table 2a. Effect Estimates for Severe Uterine Bleed (SUB) Defined by Surgical Management in the Sentinel Distributed Database (SDD) between October 19, 2010 to September 30, 2015, by Analysis Type, Rivaroxaban vs. Dabigatran**

Medical Product	Number of New Users	Person-Years at Risk	Average Person-Days at Risk	Average Person-Years at Risk	Number of Events	Incidence Rate per 1,000 Person-Years	Risk per 1,000 New Users	Incidence Rate Difference per 1,000 Person-Years	Difference in Risk per 1,000 New Users	Hazard Ratio (95% Confidence Interval)	Wald P-Value
<b>Unmatched Analysis (Site-adjusted only)</b>											
Rivaroxaban	289,011	155,142.97	196.07	0.54	801	5.16	2.77	1.54	-1.05	1.35 (1.17, 1.54)	<0.001
Dabigatran	80,844	85,311.95	385.44	1.06	309	3.62	3.82				
<b>1:1 Matched Conditional Predefined Analysis; Caliper= 0.05</b>											
Rivaroxaban	80,844	27,967.12	126.35	0.35	120	4.29	1.48	0.57	0.20	1.15 (0.89, 1.50)	0.285
Dabigatran	80,844	27,967.12	126.35	0.35	104	3.72	1.29				
<b>1:1 Matched Unconditional Predefined Analysis; Caliper= 0.05</b>											
Rivaroxaban	80,844	55,251.85	249.63	0.68	224	4.05	2.77	0.43	-1.05	1.09 (0.91, 1.30)	0.344
Dabigatran	80,844	85,311.95	385.44	1.06	309	3.62	3.82				
<b>Predefined Percentile Analysis; Percentile = 10</b>											
Rivaroxaban	289,011									1.21 (1.05, 1.39)	0.008
Dabigatran	80,844										

Data are not presented in shaded cells due to their inability to be calculated.

## Regulatory Link(s) (3)



**Drug Safety-related Labeling Change (Xarelto)**



**Drug Safety-related Labeling Change (Pradaxa)**



**Drug Safety-related Labeling Change (Eliquis)**





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### 8 Use in Specific Populations

#### 8.3 Females and Males of Reproductive Potential

*(Newly Added Subsection)*

Females of reproductive potential requiring anticoagulation should discuss pregnancy planning with their physician.

The risk of clinically significant uterine bleeding, potentially requiring gynecological surgical interventions, identified with oral anticoagulants including ELIQUIS should be assessed in females of reproductive potential and those with abnormal uterine bleeding.

## Related Publication(s) and/or Presentation(s) (1)



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