DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES



Food and Drug Administration Silver Spring, MD 20993

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Heidi Sanborn Executive Director National Stewardship Action Council 1822 21st Street, Suite 200 Sacramento, CA 95811

Dear Ms. Sanborn:

We are writing to confirm receipt of your letter signed by numerous organizations and state agencies, urging the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to end its recommendation that certain medications be disposed by flushing and to clarify that secure medicine take-back programs provide the best disposal method for leftover household medications.

The Acting Commissioner understands and appreciates your concerns, and has asked FDA's Office of Policy, Planning, Legislation, and Analysis to respond directly to your letter.

Sincerely,

Office of the Commissioner

Cc: Office of Policy, Planning, Legislation, and Analysis

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