Resolution IX: Quality Standards for Dietary Ingredients and Dietary Supplements

USP will continue to prioritize development of standards for dietary supplements and herbal medicines, focusing on the most high impact areas globally while also engaging with stakeholders to promote the awareness and adoption of its standards.

In FY 2019, USP made significant progress on our Up-to-Date goals, creating 31 new high-impact standards, including monographs and F-lots, and completing revisions to General Chapter <2750> Manufacturing Practices for Dietary Supplements and 10 monograph modernizations.

USP continued to drive momentum for its Verification Program, onboarding nine new customers and adding more than 42 new products and ingredients to the pipeline. We enhanced our engagement and activity with healthcare professionals to increase their awareness and knowledge on the importance of dietary supplement quality for patients and consumers.

We held the annual Dietary Supplements Stakeholder Forum, seeing record levels of attendance and engagement on key standards and quality topics, and conducted a Botanical DNA workshop to help inform our future standards-setting activities. We also made progress in enhancing our global presence with recognition by ANVISA in Brazil and collaborated to provide increased access to USP standards for the region. We exhibited and presented at key conferences and events in India and China to elevate USP’s presence globally. In addition, we increased regulatory engagement with the FDA’s Office of Dietary Supplement Programs to participate in discussions about key Dietary Supplements and Herbal Medicines quality topics such as adulteration, botanicals and new dietary ingredients.

USP also continued to lead and coordinate the Dietary Supplements Quality Collaborative, a multi-stakeholder and cross-sector collaborative aimed at improving the quality and safety of products marketed as dietary supplements by raising awareness on several topics, including adulteration and risks to public health.

USP will continue to develop new and revised dietary supplement and herbal medicine standards, with a keen focus on growing our global presence. We will continue to expand our verification program to drive greater access to quality supplements and ingredients within the supply chain. We will continue to join forces with our stakeholders, to shape the environment through work on domestic and international policy, and with specific country plans with our global sites. We will leverage new technologies that can enhance our Up-to-Date goals, such as ongoing exploration of rapid identification techniques and quantitative nuclear magnetic resonance. Finally, we will continue to explore new tools to help us understand key trends and challenges in the dietary supplement industry to deliver new ways to increase the usage and adoption of our standards to enhance our global public health impact overall.

Key Accomplishments

- Created 31 new high-impact standards, including monographs and F-lots
- Completed revisions to General Chapter <2750> Manufacturing Practices for Dietary Supplements and 10 monograph modernizations
- Onboarded nine new verification customers
- Added over 40 new products and ingredients to the verification pipeline
- Enhanced USP’s visibility and reach by convening and presenting at multiple domestic and international events
- Continued to lead and coordinate the Dietary Supplements Quality Collaborative