

FDA/CSD/CPE/PR/21/0002

14th January 2021

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

PRESS RELEASE - FDA DECLARES ZERO TOLERANCE FOR THE IMPORTATION OF UNREGISTERED PRODUCTS

Section 99 and 118 of the Public Health Act 2012, Act 851 prohibits the importation of unregistered products. Despite this prohibition, the Food and Drugs Authority (FDA) has noted with grave concern the rate at which some importers continue to import into the country, products that do not conform to the regulatory requirements of product registration which ultimately find their way to the market and pose a potential health hazard to unsuspecting consumers.

To ease the burden of importers, the FDA from March 2020 revised its registration fees and processes to make registration easy and user friendly for all importers. As such, it is quite alarming to note the large number of products that continue to arrive in the country without meeting the proper requirements.

All importers are by this release notified that no unregistered imports would be allowed for clearance at the ports by **1st February, 2021**. Failure to adhere to this notice will attract sanctions in the form of fines, imprisonment or both.

The Authority wishes to assure the general public that it remains committed to protect the health and safety of consumers. To this end, the public is advised to report any suspicious activity on FDA regulated products to the Authority via any of our platforms:

☎ 0299802932 or 0299802933

☎ 0206973065

☎ 4015 (On Vodafone, MTN and AirtelTigo)

🌐 www.fdaghana.gov.gh

📘 fdaghana

🐦 fdaghana

📷 fdaghana_

FDA, Your Well-being, Our Priority.

Yours faithfully,



SETH K. SEANEKE(MR)
DCEO, HEALTH PRODUCTS AND TECHNOLOGIES DIVISION
FOR: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER