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# 4th Annual FDA/DIA **Statistics Forum**

**Tutorials: April 18** Workshop: April 19-21, 2010

Marriott Bethesda North Hotel & Conference Center, Bethesda, MD, USA

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- Statisticians
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The FDA/DIA Forum provides a venue to discuss important statistical issues associated with the development and review of therapeutic drugs and biologics. The meeting is intended to be an annual, open dialogue to discuss FDA's issues, initiatives and guidance - emphasizing the statistical and regulatory challenges.

The conference is an opportunity for statisticians, clinicians and other interested professionals from industry, academia, CROs, and government agencies to learn about and assess current and emerging statistical methodologies and quantitative approaches used to develop evidence of the efficacy and safety of new drug and biologic therapeutic products.

We use this opportunity to come together annually in the Washington, DC area to describe important issues, discuss solutions and review progress and problems. We feel that it is important for all stakeholders to examine their roles in this enterprise and ask the hard guestions that need to be answered - to develop appropriate, scientific/regulatory consensus regarding our purpose and process.

In recent years, thought leaders from government agencies, industry, and academia have discussed:

- Biomarker development and assessments
- Considerations for specific Guidances, including those for Adaptive Design, Non-inferiority, Multiplicity and Missing Data;
- Statistical challenges in analyzing safety data such as meta-analytic methods, analysis of rare adverse events, and multiplicity;
- Current and emerging statistical methodologies and quantitative approaches used to develop evidence of the efficacy and safety of new therapeutic products;
- FDA's "Critical Path" initiative and the 2007 Food and Drug Administration Amendments Act - emphasizing the regulatory and statistical challenges associated with innovative approaches to the design and analysis of clinical trials data and the need for new statistical thinking;
- Best practices for developing appropriate, scientific and regulatory consensus;
- The impact of regulations and Guidances on statistical practice;
- Ideas for improving the communication between Industry Statisticians and Reviewers; and,
- The previous year's statistical and regulatory "highlights."

#### Now is the time to mark your calendars and plan to join us for the 2010 FDA/DIA Statistics Forum!

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#### Single \$179 Double \$179

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Administrative fee that will be withheld from refund amount: Member or Nonmember = \$200

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