

# Structured Product Labeling Project for the DailyMed Initiative

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# Purpose

- Improve patient safety through accessible product information
- Support initiatives to improve patient care by better management of health care information
  - Electronic prescribing
  - Decision support systems
- Meet mandates to provide standards for drug information (labeling, terminology, code sets)
  - Medicare Modernization Act
  - Electronic Health Record

# Current Problems to Address

- Drug labeling information inaccessible
  - Difficult to read - Font size and paper shape limits readability and duplication
  - Difficult to access – distribution limited (e.g., pharmacy shelf)
  - Difficult to use – information in paper labels cannot be accessed by computer systems
- Drug terminology and code sets inadequate
  - Not standardized, code sets incomplete and not up to date
- As a result current health care systems use information from third party sources
  - Not FDA/pharmaceutical information - outdated, incorrect, misleading
  - No standards for drug terminology and code sets

# Solution

- Improve Drug information
  - Better organization
  - Consistent structure
  - Computer format
  - Standard terminology and code sets

# Partners

- Manufacturers
  - Provide up to date product information in electronic format (Structured Product Labeling, product listing)
- National Library of Medicine
  - Distribute information (DailyMed)
- Health information suppliers
  - Use in systems (e.g., electronic prescribing, decision support)

# Structured Product Labeling

- Computer file standard for product information
  - Consistent organization of product information
    - Information for each type of product in same location
    - Flexible to accommodate different labeling requirements
  - Electronic file
    - Information can be used by computer systems
  - Standards
    - Information can be exchanged between different systems (interoperable)

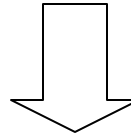
# Structured Product Labeling

- SPL has three basic parts
  - Header
    - General information about the label and product
  - Sections
    - Divide the label into blocks of text (e.g., indications section, contraindications section, warnings section)
    - Define list of acceptable sections based on regulations and needs
  - Data elements
    - Specific information about the product (e.g., active ingredient, dosage form, how supplied)
    - New data elements can be added
- Extensible – additions can be made to the standard based on the requirements for the product label

# SPL Sections



**Labeling**



Boxed warning

Indications and Usage

Dosage and Administration

How Supplied

Contraindications

Warnings and Precautions

Drug Interactions

Pregnancy

Labor and delivery

Lactating women

Pediatric use

Geriatric use

Adverse reactions

Drug abuse

Overdosage

Description

Mechanism of action

Pharmacodynamics

Pharmacokinetics

Other pharmacology

Carcinogenicity

Animal toxicology

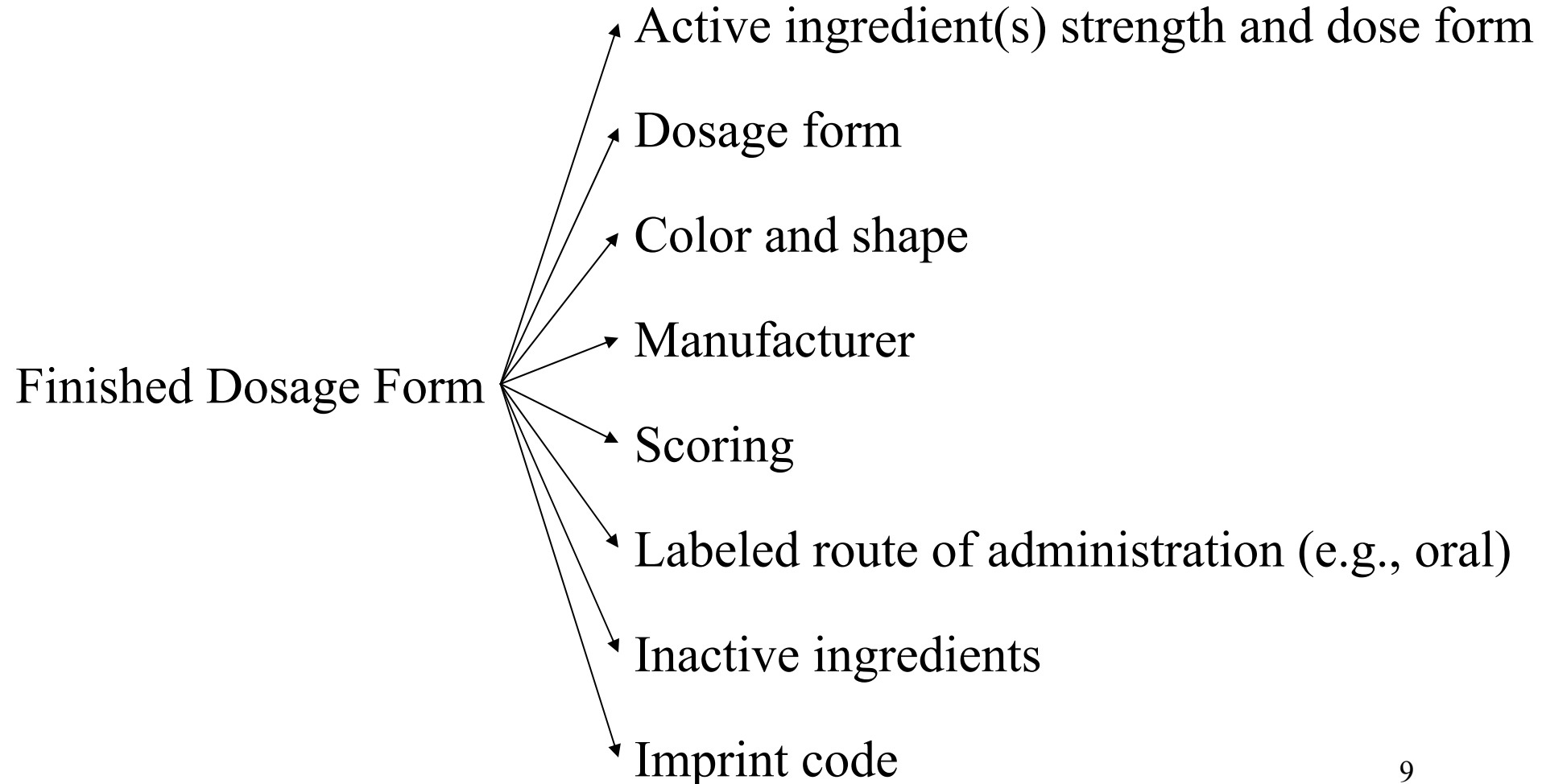
Clinical studies

Patient counseling

References



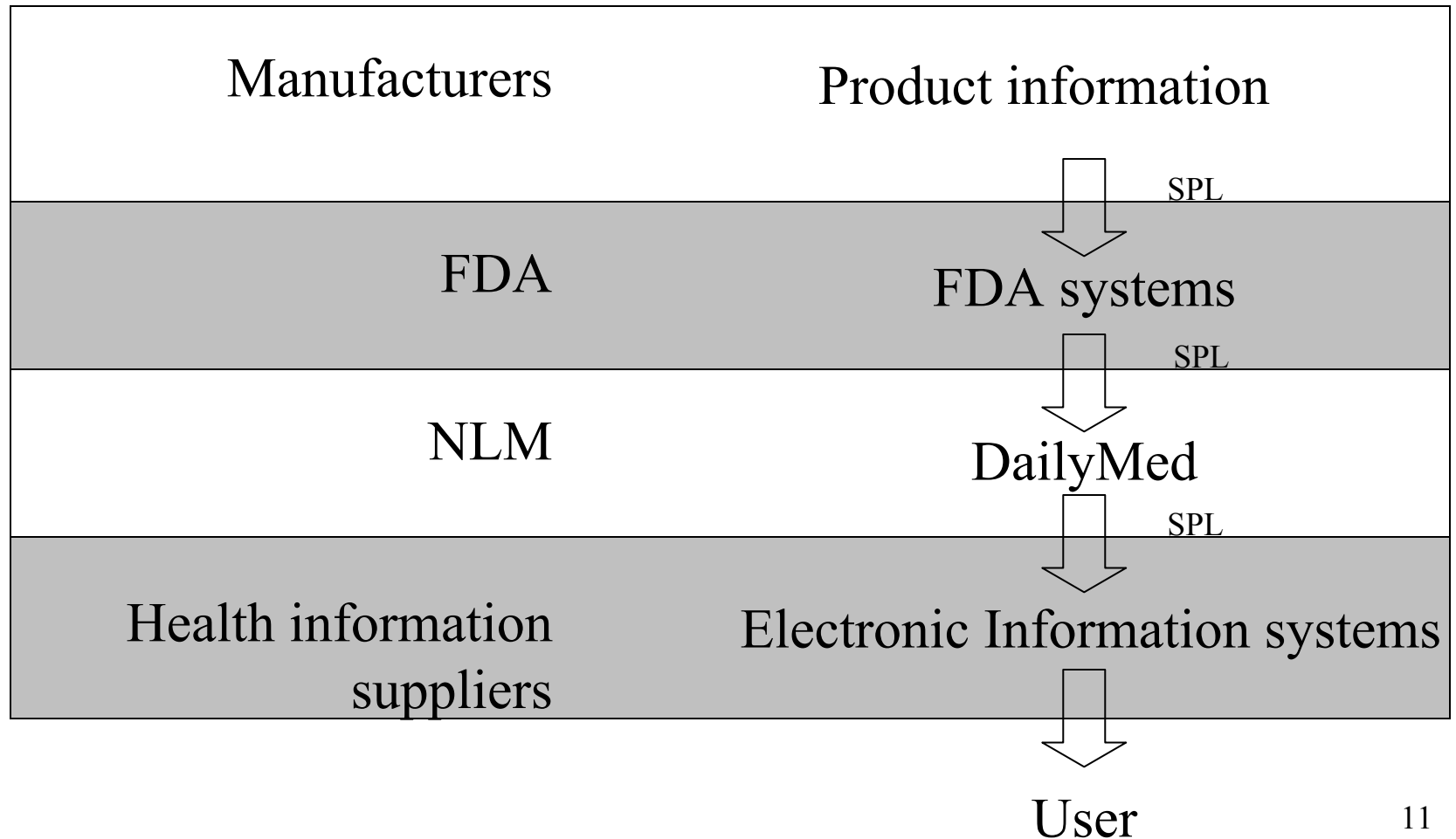
# SPL Data Elements



# DailyMed Initiative

- Electronic repository of product information
  - Up to date
  - Reliable
  - Free
- Supported by National Library of Medicine
  - Information available for download into computer systems

# Information Flow



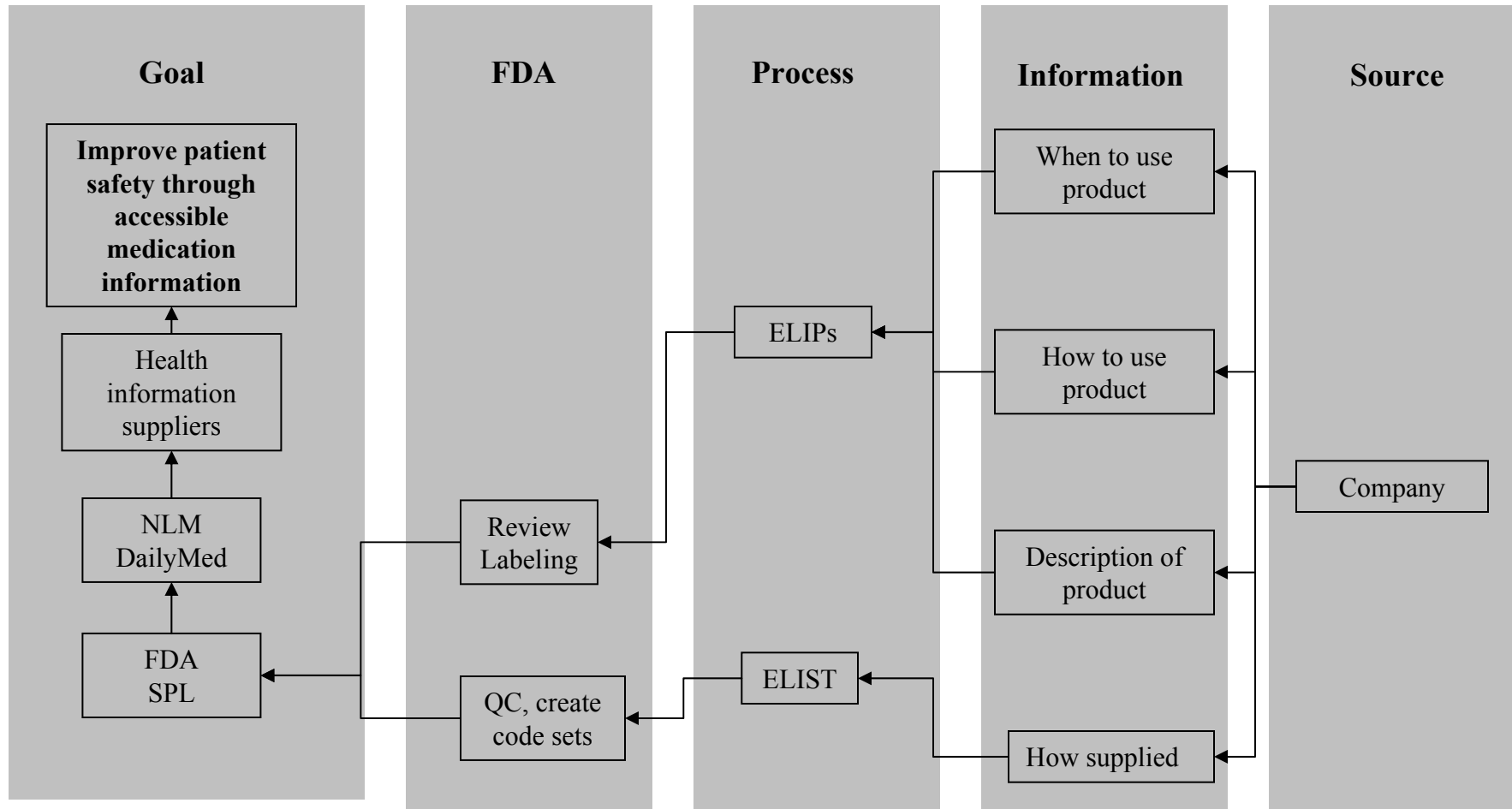
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- Create environment to
  - Receive and store information from companies
    - Labeling
    - Listing information
  - Retrieve, review, compare, edit and approve changes to labeling
  - Support terminology standards
  - Generate drug code sets,
  - Export up to date SPL to DailyMed repository

# Systems

- Electronic Labeling Information Processing System (ELIPs)
  - Content of product label
- FDA Unified Registration and Listing System (FURLS)
  - Food Facility Registration Module (FFRM)
    - Information on food facilities and products
  - Drug Facility Registration Module (DFRM)
    - Information on drug facilities
  - Electronic Listing system (eLIST)
    - Drug product code sets
- Substance Registration System (SRS)
  - Ingredient terminology and code set

# SPL for Patient Safety



# Project Phases Transition

- Content of Labeling from PDF to SPL
  - Begin – June 2004
  - Completed – July 2005
  - Regulations - ELR
  - Standards - SPL
  - Systems – EDR

# Project Phases

## SPL for Prescription Drugs

- Availability of SPL for approved prescription drugs
  - Begin – July 2005
  - Complete – July 2006
  - Regulations - ELR, PLR\*
  - Standards - SPL, UNII\*, Medication Terminology\*
  - Systems – ELIPs, SRS\*

\*not required for completion



# Project Phase

## SPL for All Drugs

- Availability of SPL for all drugs
  - Begin – 2006
  - Complete – 2007
  - Regulations - DLR
  - Standards - DPC, NDC
  - Systems - eLIST, DFRM