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Subsection 3.11 Sanitation and Labeling of Drugs, Cosmetics and Devices	Revised May 2008

## **Sanitation and Labeling of Drugs, Cosmetics, and Devices**

The responsibility for assuring that drugs, cosmetics and devices are manufactured in a sanitary manner and are properly labeled is assigned to DHSS by statute. The DHSS's Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs is responsible for the control of habit-forming drugs through licensure of pharmacists and physicians dispensing drugs and for designating those drugs which are to be considered as controlled substances.

Representatives of the Federal Food and Drug Administration will perform most field activities in drug sanitation and labeling. In most instances, the drug industry is involved in interstate shipment of products, therefore, drug sanitation and labeling is an immediate concern of the federal agency.

### **Duties of BERL Staff**

1. Maintain liaison with state and federal agencies, provide certificates of free sale and supervise all activities, which involve drugs. These certificates are signed by the Administrator, Section for Disease Control and Environmental Epidemiology (DCEE) and used as certification by a company when exporting its products to a foreign country.
2. Assure good sanitary practice, distribution and proper product labeling.
3. Maintain a constant surveillance for mislabeled drugs, referring any suspected mislabeling to DCEE for review.
4. Send reports as necessary to DCEE.
5. Submit labels to DCEE for review when non-compliance is suspected.

### **STATUTORY AND/OR REGULATORY AUTHORITY**

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