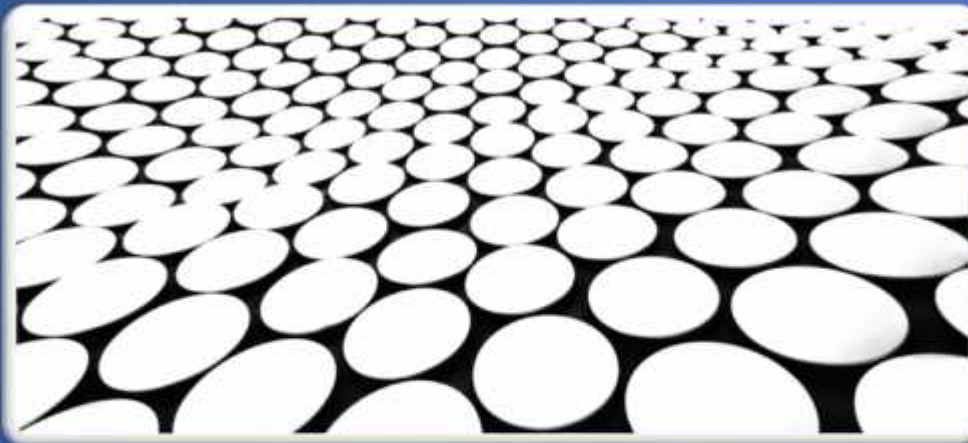


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Migrating from routine to risk based inspections-optimizing the human resources in post pandemic



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# Outline

*Organization chart of Ministry of Health and Food and Drug Department*

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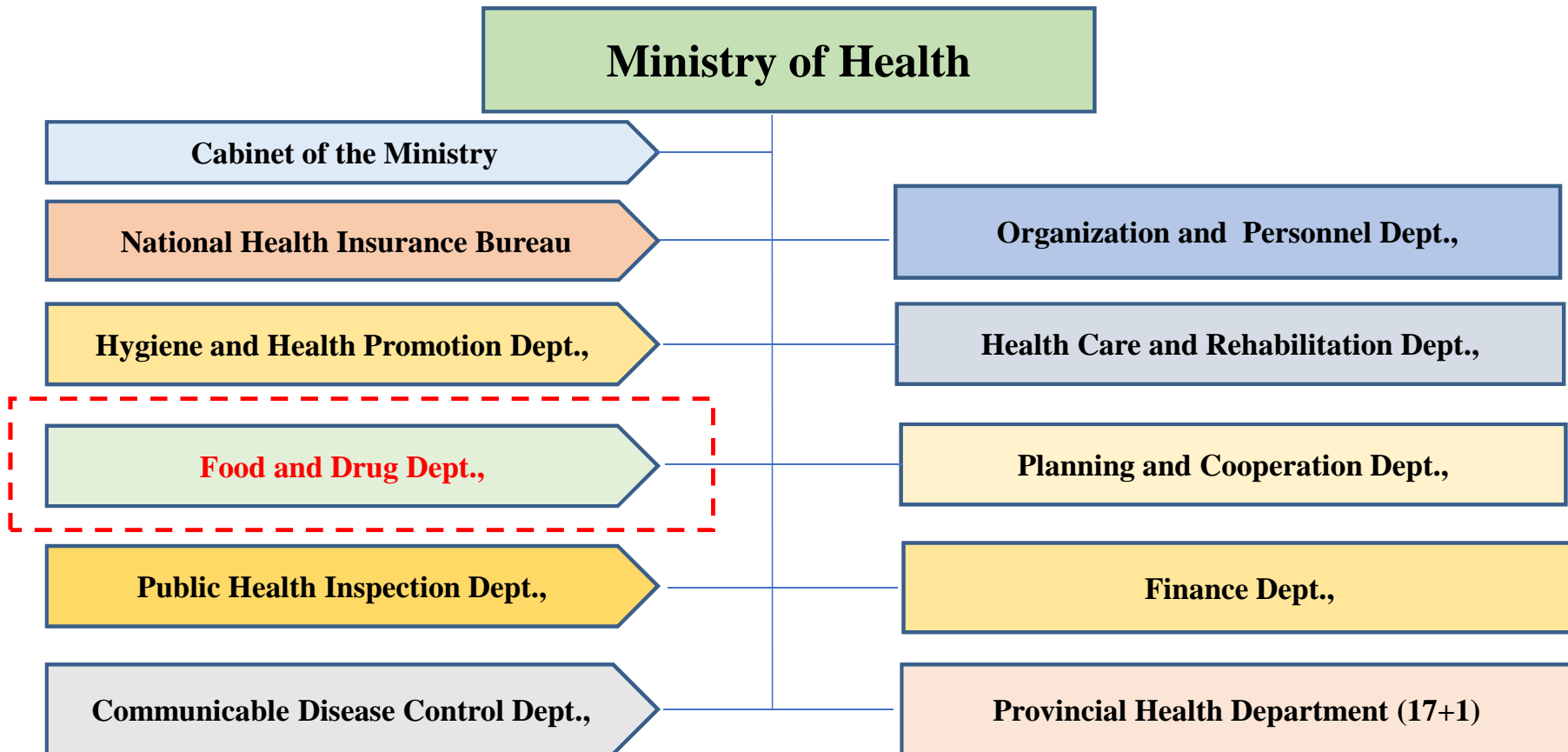
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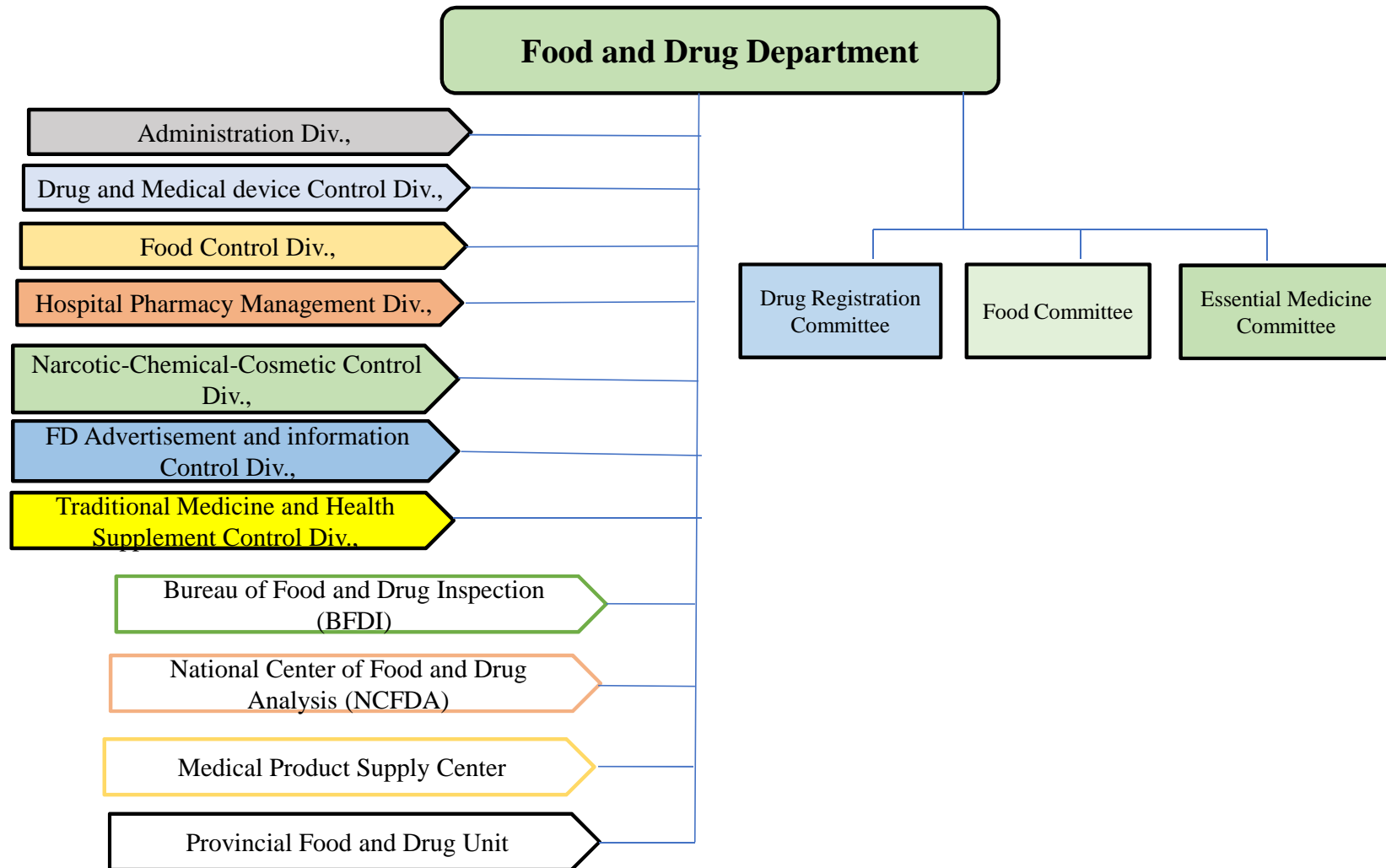
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*Challenges and limitations*

# Organization chart of Ministry of Health



# Organization Chart of Food and Drug Department(FDD)



# Law and Regulations

National Medicine Policy (1st Revision, 2003)

Law on Drug and Medical Products No: 07/NA ,rev. dated 21 December 2011

Regulation Governing Drug registration No. 1441, dated 13 Aug 2003

Regulation on specific controlled medicine and uncontrolled and OTC Drug No.2580, dated 25 Nov 2002

Regulation on drug and medical product manufacturing No. 937, dated 12 May 2004.

Regulation of Donation of Drugs and Medical Product No.2579 dated 12 Nov 2003

Regulation on the banned drug in Lao No.1018, 2003

Regulation for Pharmacy No. 2922, dated 21 Sep 2016

Regulation on business for Medicine and Medical Product Company No. 1820, dated 25 Aug 2017

Regulation for good manufacturing practice and quality control of drugs No. 1021, dated 11 Aug 1999

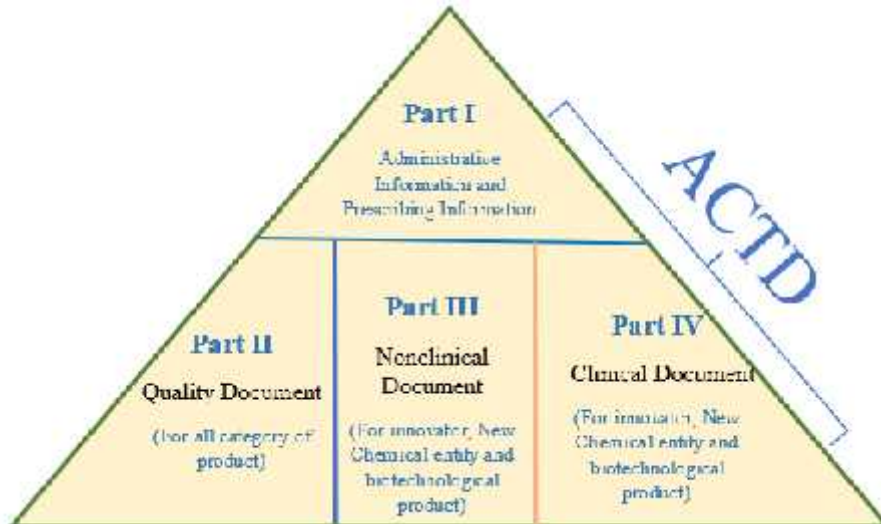
Regulation on Emergency Use Authorization approval No.0833, dated 18 Feb 2021.

Regulation on registration of traditional medicine No.169, dated 25 Jan 2022.

# Registration Procedure

Step 1: Application for the permission to import or manufacture drug sample intended to be registered (Screening stage)

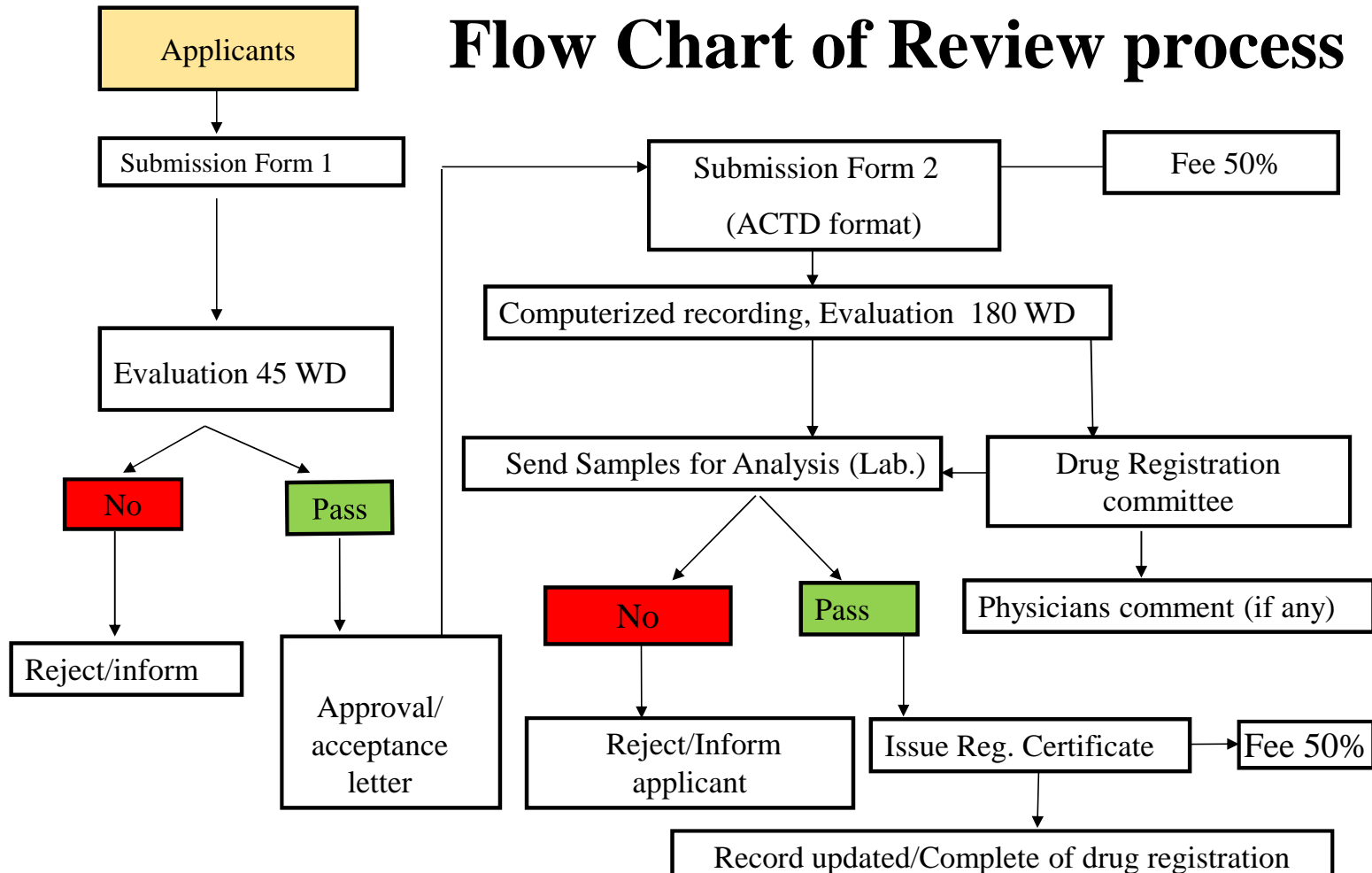
Step 2: Application for the Product Registration approval



➤ Certificate need to be renewed every 3 years

# Registration Procedure

## Flow Chart of Review process



# Current Local Manufacturer, company wholesaler and pharmacy

Licensed  
Import-Export  
Company

**96**

Local  
manufacturer  
for medicine

**14**

Local  
medical  
device  
manufacturer

**6**

Wholesaler

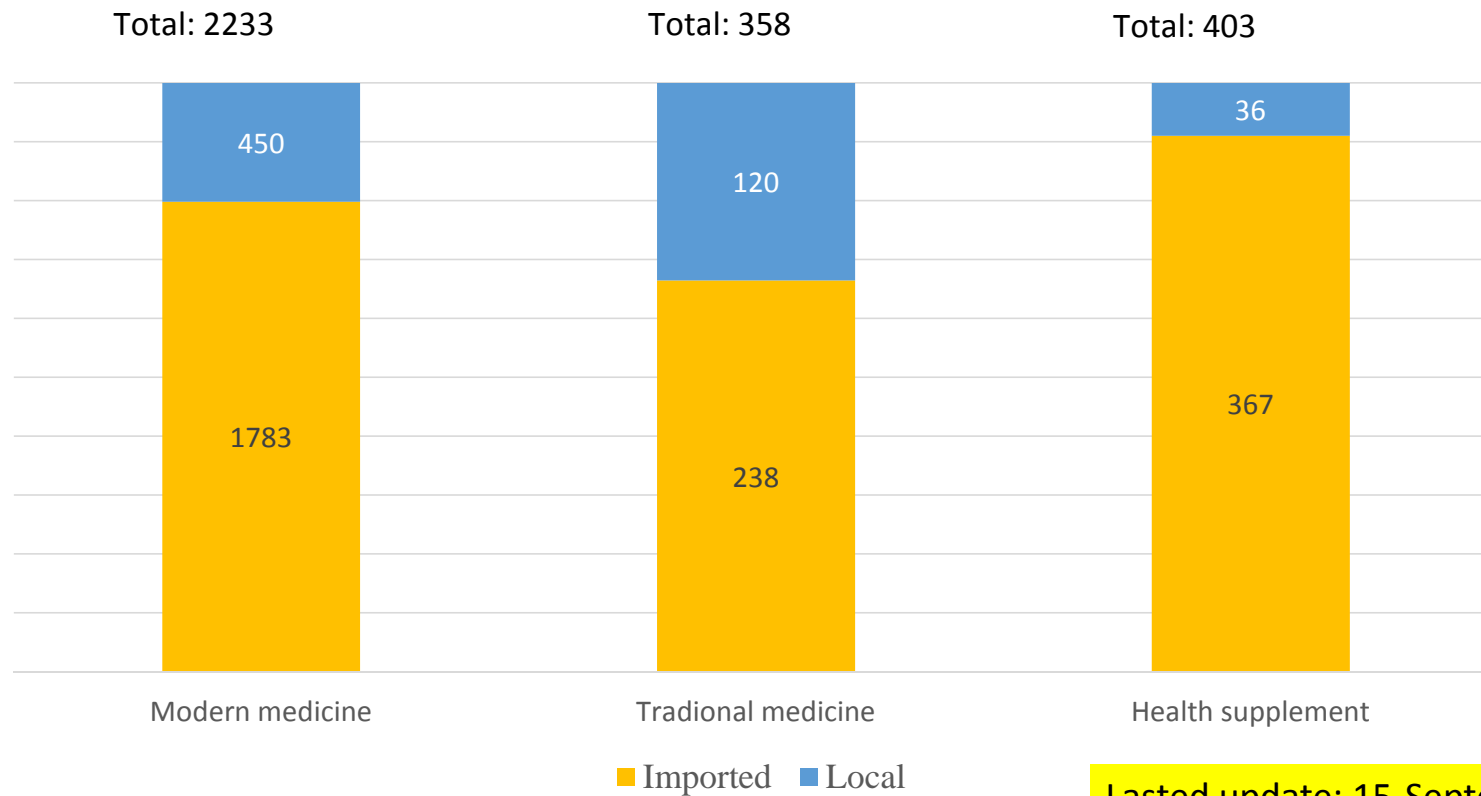
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# Product registration

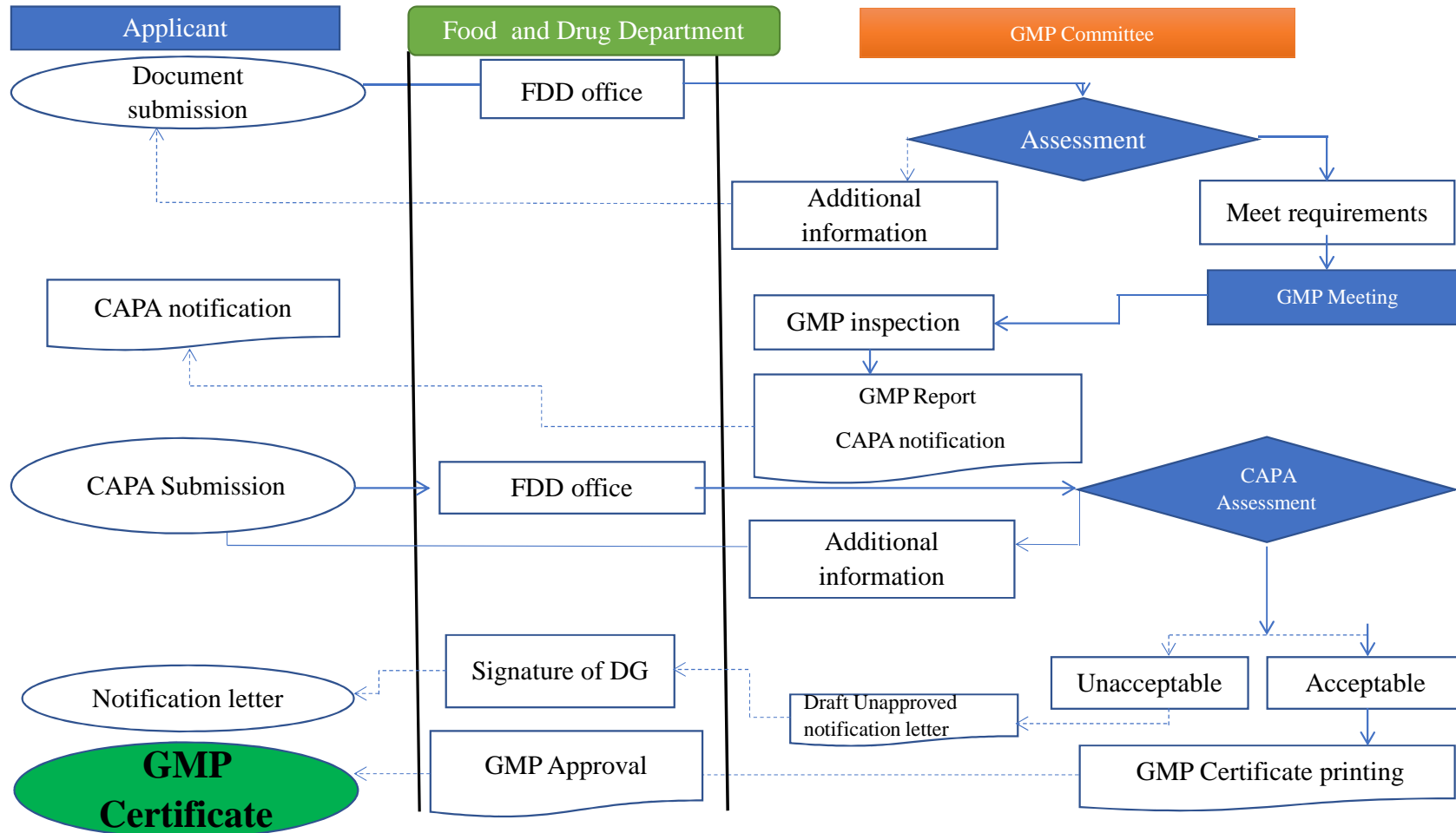


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# Pharmaceutical factory Establishment

- **Regulation on drug and medical product manufacturing**
  - **Authorized person Conditions for pharmaceutical factory establishment**
  - **Site master file**
  - **Factory layout**
  - **Location Condition**
  - **Documentation**
  - **Facility inspection**
  
- **GMP Committee**
  - **Documents assessment/Evaluation**
  - **Field visit**
  - **Inspection report**
  - **Certification (validity 2 years)**
  - **Monitoring and supervision**

# GMP application



# Post Market System

## **1. Food and Drug Department:**

- **Assure the actively implementation of Pharmacovigilance system**
  - **Monitor the notification from WHO-Uppsala Monitoring Centre**
  - **Monitor the notification from ASEAN Post Marketing Alert System**
  - **Notification From Authorities, Manufacturers, and Local Company**
  - **Notification to related office and Take action**
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# Post Market System

## **2. Bureau of Food and Drug Inspection (BFDI), FD Local authority: Key man to conduct:**

Monitoring and inspect pharmaceutical products circulated in:

- State Hospital
- Private Hospital
- Private pharmacy
- Private clinic
- Imported company
- Wholesaler
- Convenient stores

### **Focus on:**

- Quality defect product, unregistered product, illegal imported, banned product, falsified product.
- Sampling and collect sample for quality testing
- Law and regulation enforcement

# Post Market System

## 3. National Center of Food and Drug Analysis (NCFDA) : GLP, ISO/IEC 17025:2017

- **Test/analyze** the quality of:
  - Food,
  - Drug,
  - Medical devices
  - Health products,
  - Cosmetics,
  - Narcotic and psychotropic drugs,
  - Toxic from food and pharmaceutical products;



# Challenges

- Language barrier
- Implementation ACTD/ACTR
- Reliance mechanism
- Overload Paper-Based application
- Timely assessment drug application
- Assessor's education background
- New drug Evaluation capability
- Biologic product
- Emergency Use Authorisation migrating to the regular Authorized

# Limitations

- Limited human Resource
- Limited expertise on assessment the New Chemical Entity (NCE) and Biological product
- Limited expertise for GMP inspection
- Limited capacity to test all kinds of medical products
- Limited budget to do sampling and quality test of pharmaceutical product in the market
- Limited expertise for analyze ADR and AEFI



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