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## FDA recognizes two new certification bodies

FDA has accredited through its accreditation bodies, ANSI and IAS, two more certification bodies: Florida Certified Organic Growers & Consumers, INC dba Quality Certification Services and Best ISO Certification Co. Ltd of Taichung, Taiwan, authorizing them to conduct food safety audits and issue food facility certifications within the scope of their services.

### Food

- Federal officers have seized thousands of adulterated dietary supplements owned by a US company citing severe violations of CGMP regulations.
- FDA has released a final guidance to provide clarification on the labeling requirements for single-ingredient packages and/or containers of pure honey, pure maple syrup, and other pure sugars and syrups, which are not required to bear the words "Includes Xg Added Sugars" but must still include the percent Daily Value (DV) for added sugars on their labels.
- FDA is allowing the use of qualified health claim that EPA & DHA Omega-3 may reduce the risk of hypertension, if accompanied by a disclaimer that accurately describes the level of scientific evidence supporting this claim.

### Drug

FDA has issued guidance to help small business compounding pharmacies better understand and comply with the final rule establishing the list of bulk drug substances that can be used to compound 503A drug products.

### Medical Devices

FDA has issued warning letters to medical device companies declaring their products as adulterated in that the method used in, or the facilities or controls used for, their manufacture, packing, storage, or installation are not in conformity with the cGMP regulations.

### Cosmetics

FDA has issued a safety alert warning against two American cosmetic companies advising consumers not to use their certain make up products as they have tested positive for asbestos. Both the companies have recalled their respective products.



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