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To whom it may concern,

**Re: Health Canada upcoming publication of a summary safety review regarding gentian violet-containing human health products and the potential risk of cancer**

As part of our ongoing commitment to openness and transparency, Health Canada would like to notify you that a summary safety review (SSR) will be published tomorrow, June 12, regarding gentian violet-containing human health products and a potential risk of cancer. The SSR provides a summary of the safety reviews conducted by Health Canada for drug products and medical devices.

The attached copy **should be embargoed until 11:00 EST**. Once the SSR is posted on the Health Canada website, a broader dissemination to your members would be greatly appreciated.

Any questions related to the SSR process or requests for further information on the safety review may be directed to the Marketed Health Products Directorate; e-mail:  
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Please feel free to contact us, should you require further information.

Sincerely,



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**Attachment:**

Summary Risk Assessment – Gentian violet-containing human health products - Assessing the potential risk of cancer