



DTAB Objectives

SAMHSA's

Center for Substance Abuse Prevention

Drug Testing Advisory Board

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History I

- DTAB – April, 1997. Three day open meeting – alternative specimens & techniques
- Pilot PTs – April, 2000 to 2007
- Draft of Guidelines for Alternative Specimens – June, 2000.
- Federal Register, Issued in 2004. Guidelines for Alternative Specimens
- *Recommendation by the DTAB- Aug, 2015)*
..Based on the review of the science, DTAB recommends that SAMHSA pursue hair as an alternative specimen in the Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Programs, including performance standards that sufficiently address external contamination and hair color impact...

History II

...“(B) The regulations prescribed under subparagraph (A) shall permit motor carriers—

‘(i) to conduct pre-employment testing of commercial motor vehicle operators for the use of alcohol; and‘(ii) **to use hair testing** as an acceptable alternative to urine testing—

“(I) in conducting **pre-employment testing** for the use of a controlled substance; and‘(II) In conducting **random testing for the use of a controlled substance if the operator was subject to hair testing for pre-employment testing.**”.... Oct, 2015)

(b) GUIDELINES.-Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall issue scientific and technical guide lines for hair testing as a method of detecting the use of a controlled substance for purposes of section 31306 of title 49, United States Code.

DTAB Objectives

- Current Objectives
 - Implementation of URMG
 - Implementation of OFMG
 - Draft Final Technical Requirements for Hair
 - Implementation of Medical Review Officer Manual
 - Draft Proposed Mandatory Guidelines for Hair if Requirements can be meant

DTAB Short Term Objectives

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 - Review URMG recommendations and changes to proposed URMG
 - Review OFMG recommendations and changes to proposed OFMG
 - Review Technical Questions from Preamble / Responses for Hair
 - Review Status of the Current State of the Science for Hair

DTAB Milestones

- Multi-Year Review Technical and Scientific Issues
- Review Industry Input - Summary
- Review Public Comments in response to Request for Information
- Determine if Additional Working Groups are Necessary
- Review Special Studies to Develop Technical Requirements

Purpose of Meeting

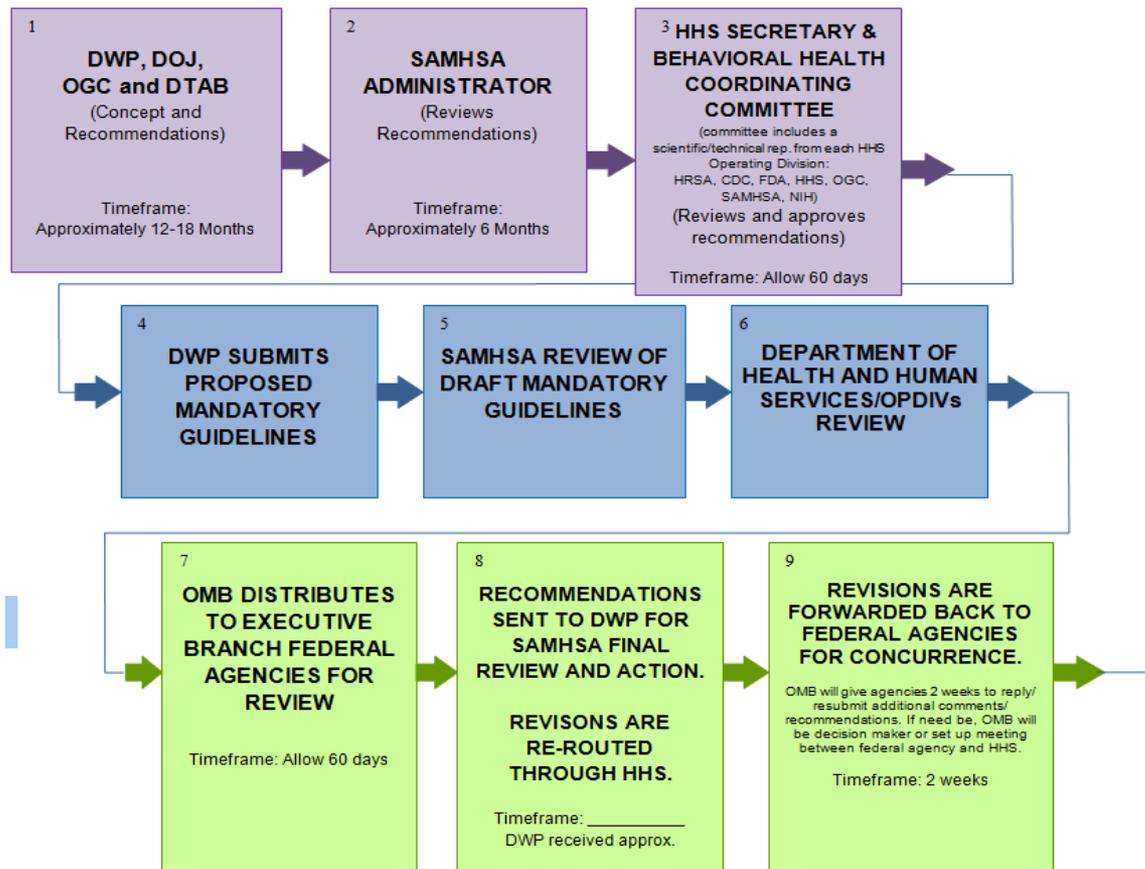
- Organization of the S&T meeting (Oct/Nov – 2015)
- DWP has taken steps to further identify historical issues for DTAB
 - 1) Collection, growth & rate,
 - 2) Decontamination;
 - 3) Potential impact of hair color & treatment;
 - 4) Incorporation of drugs, metabolites, and other target compounds;
 - 5) Contamination;
 - 6) Which drugs, metabolites and other target markers;
 - 7) Testing methods;
 - 8) Interpretation & MRO; and
 - 9) Assessing laboratory performance.
- Current scientific & technical status

DTAB Goals

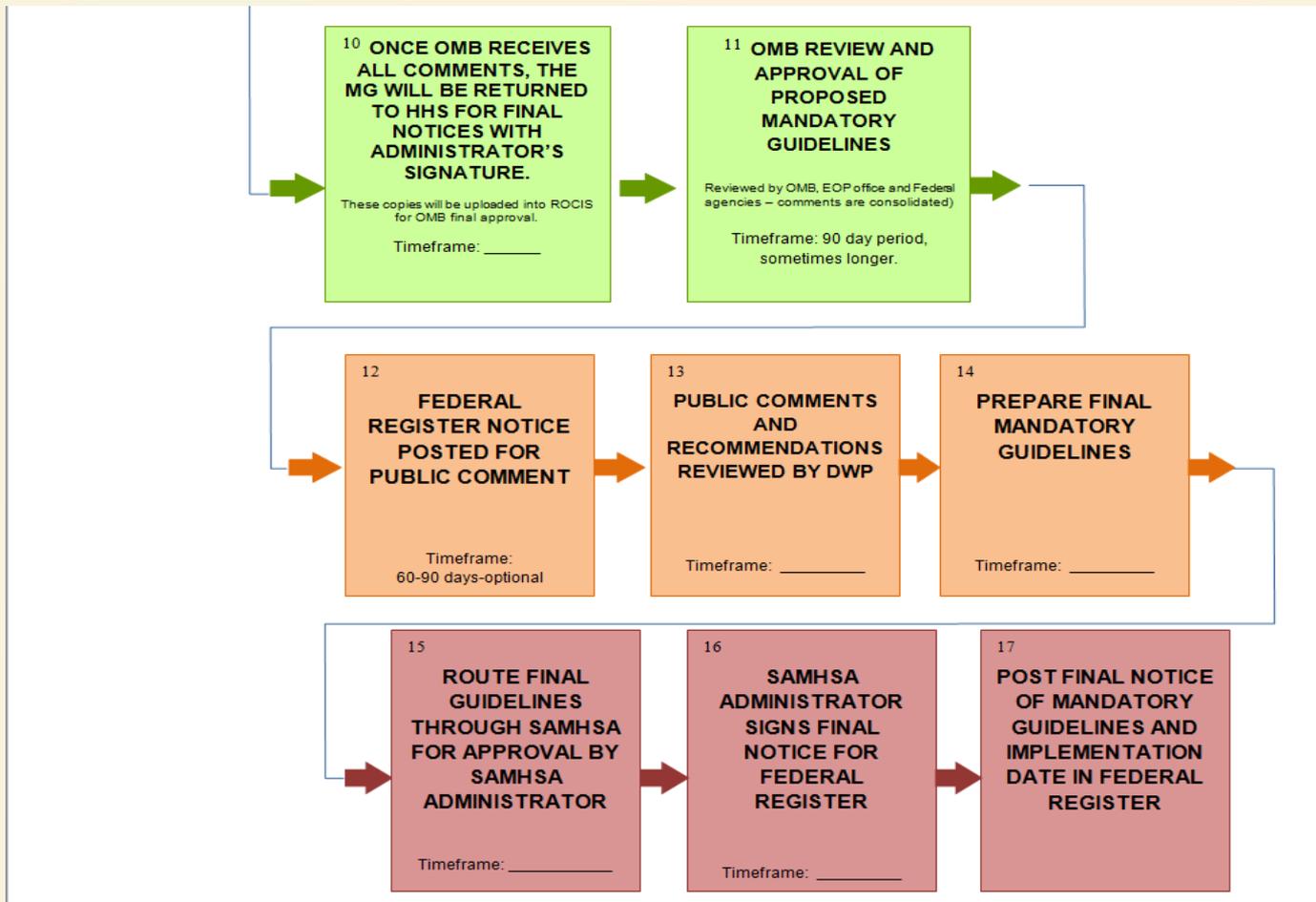
- Will be to assist SAMHSA in:
 - Evaluation of Hair as an alternate specimen
 - Develop the Technical Requirements for Hair
 - Develop Special Projects
 - Search for Unique Biomarkers/Metabolites
 - Wash and Decontamination Procedures
 - Hair Impact Studies
 - Comparison of Hair and Other Biomarkers
 - Develop Hair Testing Proficiency Specimens

Routing Process

Mandatory Guidelines Routing Process



Routing Process



SAMHSA/DWP Goals

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- Goals
 - Program Oversight: NLCP and DFWP
 - Review of Technical and Scientific Issues
 - Studies / Tasks regarding Alternate Matrices (OF and Hair)
 - Marijuana Testing Issues
 - Synthetic Opiates and Implementation of Testing in MG for both Urine and Oral Fluid

DTAB Questions

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Questions from the Board