I. Position title: Student Summer Intern

II. Introduction:

The FDA-CFSAN-ONFL develops policy and regulations for nutrition labeling, food standards, infant formula, and medical foods, as well as conducts scientific evaluation to support regulations and policy development. ONFL also supports compliance and enforcement actions and is responsible for the clinical review, data summaries, and follow-up and research related to the impacts of regulatory decisions, market responses, adverse events associated with infant formula. ONFL features separate units for food labeling and standards, nutrition policy, and infant formula and medical foods. The ONFL/NPS is implementing a nutrition monitoring program to assess the market responses in the food supply and the intake and nutritional status of the US population due to changes in the NFL and serving size rule and other regulations. The ONFL/NPS is seeking a student volunteer to assist in reviewing and developing a comprehensive food labeling database, which will be used to examine the food labeling information for making scientific conclusions regarding regulatory decisions of specific issues pertaining to nutrition, and food labeling. The student may choose to utilize internship to meet requirements of a degree program.

III. Description of Work:

The primary work duties under the ONFL/NPS will be related to, but not limited to, quality assurance of food label databases consisted of food labeling information matched with the foods reported to be consumed by the US population, and assist in data analyses of intake and status of US population. The incumbent may be rotated to projects under other ONFL program areas as needed. These duties may include policy development and management of nutrition, conventional food labeling, standards of identity, special nutritionals, and infant formula and medical foods.

IV. Scope of work:

Independently, and not as an agent of the Government, the student intern shall be trained in the areas of nutrition food labeling, or related fields and has knowledge and/or experiences working with large national databases with the skills necessary for the performance of this work. The position requires knowledge in public health and health policy of food and nutrition with the ability to match foods consumed (reported in the national surveys) with those that are available in the market (reported in the food labeling databases). Experience working with large datasets and statistical software package is preferred.
V. **Tasks:**
   - Match the foods reported consumed in NHANES databases (e.g., 2011-2014, and 2015-2016) with the food products available in the food label databases (e.g., Label Insight, Mintel, and Gladson), based on the food description.
   - Review existing matched USDA food code with food products in the food label databases.
   - Assist in conducting data analysis to determine the level of nutrients in various food categories in the food supply.
   - Assist in conducting data analysis to determine percent of foods with levels of various nutrients in the food supply.
   - Assist in conducting the analysis of nutrient content claims usage based on various nutrient content or serving size/reference amount customarily consumed (RACC) in the food supply.
   - Assist in conducting data analysis of nutrient intake and status of the US population.

VI. **Supervisor’s name, title, telephone number, and email address:**

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VII. **Days/hours of duty:**

Up to 40 hours per week on weekdays. The assignment duration begins in May 2018 through August 2018 on the dates as agreed by the Human Resources, the supervisors, and the student volunteer. This position is eligible for telework at the supervisor’s discretion.

VIII. **OpDiv/StaffDiv/Duty Location:**

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