2. Require that the efficacy of anorectics be based on substantial evidence that
the use of these drugs results in achievement and maintenance of weight loss, with
improved morbidity or mortality.
Approved — Disapproved —
long-term studies.
Approved ———— Disapproved ———.
B. With respect to amphetamines, including oral methamphetamine: (These
alternatives are mutually exclusive.)
1. Label amphetamines to exclude use in obesity.
Approved — Disapproved — . 2. Label amphetamines for restricted use in obesity, e.g., for patients refractory
to other drug therapy.
Approved — Disapproved — .
3. Continue current labeling for amphetamines, i.e., for narcolepsy, for minimal
brain dysfunction, and for short-term adjunctive use in obesity.
Approved — Disapproved — .
C. With respect to abuse potential: (These alternatives are mutually exclusive.)
1. Recommend that all anorectics except fenfluramine be placed in Schedule II
of the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Act, fenfluramine to be placed in Schedule IV.
Approved — Disapproved — .
2. Recommend that all anorectics including fenfluramine be placed in Schedule
If of the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Act.
Approved ———— Disapproved ————. 3. Recommend that some or all the currently unscheduled anorectics be placed
in Schedule III and/or IV, (the amphetamines and phenmetrazine remaining in
II).
Approved — Disapproved —
4. Recommend no changes in the current scheduling of these drugs.
Approved — Disapproved —
D. With respect to possible further testing: (These alternatives are not mutually exclusive; only #1 is recommended.)
1. Require further testing of some or all anorectics with respect to abuse
potential.
Approved — Disapproved — .
2. Require further testing of some or all anorectics in long-term prospective
trials. Approved ———— Disapproved ————.
3. Require epidemiologic surveys relevant to how anorectic drugs are used
or abused.
Approved — Disapproved — .
E. Other requirements (All but #5 are recommended):
1. Eliminate parenteral amphetamines. Approved — Disapproved —
2. Withdraw approval for all currently marketed combination drugs contain-
ing amphetamines.
Approved ———— Disapproved ———.
3. Require anorectic drug labeling describing the reservations many experts
have with regard to use of anorectic drugs. Draft wording is attached (Tab "C"
of attached memo.) Approved ————— Disapproved ————.
4. Require fenfluramine labeling to include reference to the possibility of
unusual adverse effects.
Approved ———— Disapproved ———.
5. Require anorectic drug labeling for the consumer.
Approved — Disapproved — .
F. Certain aucillary or implementing actions (These are all recommended.) 1. Publish an article on anorectics in the <i>Drug Bulletin</i> (See draft, Tab "A" of
attached memo.)
Approved — Disapproved — ,
2. Publish a Statement of Policy and Interpretation on anorectics (See draft
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preamble to SPI, Tab "B" of attached memo.) Approved ———— Disapproved ————.