Dear Ms. Walters:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application (sNDA) dated July 24, 2018, received July 24, 2018, and your amendments, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Vraylar (cariprazine) capsules 1.5 mg, 3.0 mg, 4.5 mg, and 6.0 mg.

This Prior Approval supplemental new drug application provides for a new indication of treatment of depressive episodes associated with bipolar I disorder (bipolar depression).

**APPROVAL & LABELING**

We have completed our review of this application, as amended. It is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the enclosed agreed-upon labeling.

We note that your May 22, 2019, and May 23, 2019, submissions include final printed labeling (FPL) for your Medication Guide and Prescribing Information respectively. We have not reviewed this FPL. You are responsible for assuring that the wording in this FPL is identical to that of the approved content of labeling in the structured product labeling (SPL) format.

**WAIVER OF ½ PAGE LENGTH REQUIREMENT FOR HIGHLIGHTS**

We are waiving the requirements of 21 CFR 201.57(d)(8) regarding the length of Highlights of Prescribing Information. This waiver applies to all future supplements containing revised labeling unless we notify you otherwise.

**CONTENT OF LABELING**

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format using the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), as described at
FDA.gov.¹ Content of labeling must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the Prescribing Information and Medication Guide), with the addition of any labeling changes in pending “Changes Being Effected” (CBE) supplements, as well as annual reportable changes not included in the enclosed labeling.

Information on submitting SPL files using eList may be found in the guidance for industry SPL Standard for Content of Labeling Technical Qs and As.²

The SPL will be accessible from publicly available labeling repositories.

Also within 14 days, amend all pending supplemental applications that include labeling changes for this NDA, including CBE supplements for which FDA has not yet issued an action letter, with the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)(1)(i)] in Microsoft Word format, that includes the changes approved in this supplemental application, as well as annual reportable changes. To facilitate review of your submission(s), provide a highlighted or marked-up copy that shows all changes, as well as a clean Microsoft Word version. The marked-up copy should provide appropriate annotations, including supplement number(s) and annual report date(s).

**REQUIRED PEDIATRIC ASSESSMENTS**

Under the Pediatric Research Equity Act (PREA) (21 U.S.C. 355c), all applications for new active ingredients (which includes new salts and new fixed combinations), new indications, new dosage forms, new dosing regimens, or new routes of administration are required to contain an assessment of the safety and effectiveness of the product for the claimed indication in pediatric patients unless this requirement is waived, deferred, or inapplicable.

We are waiving the pediatric study requirement for ages 0 to 9 years because necessary studies are impossible or highly impracticable. This is because it is extremely difficult to make a diagnosis of bipolar disorder in children younger than 10 years. Therefore, studies in children younger than 10 years would be highly impractical.

We are deferring submission of your pediatric study for ages 10 to 17 years for this application because this product is ready for approval for use in adults and the pediatric study has not been completed.

Your deferred pediatric study required by section 505B(a) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act/FDCA is a required postmarketing study. The status of this postmarketing study must be reported annually according to 21 CFR 314.81 and section 505B(a)(4)(C) of the FDCA. This required study is listed below.

² We update guidances periodically. For the most recent version of a guidance, check the FDA Guidance Documents Database [https://www.fda.gov/RegulatoryInformation/Guidances/default.htm](https://www.fda.gov/RegulatoryInformation/Guidances/default.htm).
Deferred pediatric study under PREA (ages 10 to 17) with a diagnosis of acute bipolar depression associated with bipolar I disorder. A study of the efficacy and safety of cariprazine in the relevant pediatric population.

Final Protocol Submission: 06/2020
Study/Trial Completion: 01/2024
Final Report Submission: 07/2024

Submit the protocol to your IND 077726, with a cross-reference letter to this NDA.

Reports of this required pediatric postmarketing study must be submitted as a new drug application (NDA) or as a supplement to your approved NDA with the proposed labeling changes you believe are warranted based on the data derived from these studies. When submitting the reports, please clearly mark your submission "SUBMISSION OF REQUIRED PEDIATRIC ASSESSMENTS" in large font, bolded type at the beginning of the cover letter of the submission.

PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

You may request advisory comments on proposed introductory advertising and promotional labeling. To do so, submit the following, in triplicate, (1) a cover letter requesting advisory comments, (2) the proposed materials in draft or mock-up form with annotated references, and (3) the Prescribing Information to:

OPDP Regulatory Project Manager
Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Office of Prescription Drug Promotion (OPDP)
5901-B Ammendale Road
Beltsville, MD 20705-1266

Alternatively, you may submit a request for advisory comments electronically in eCTD format. For more information about submitting promotional materials in eCTD format, see the draft guidance for industry Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic and Non-Electronic Format-Promotional Labeling and Advertising Materials for Human Prescription Drugs.³

³ When final, this guidance will represent the FDA’s current thinking on this topic. For the most recent version of a guidance, check the FDA guidance web page at https://www.fda.gov/RegulatoryInformation/Guidances/default.htm.

U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Silver Spring, MD 20993
www.fda.gov
You must submit final promotional materials and Prescribing Information, accompanied by a Form FDA 2253, at the time of initial dissemination or publication [21 CFR 314.81(b)(3)(i)]. Form FDA 2253 is available at FDA.gov.\(^4\) Information and Instructions for completing the form can be found at FDA.gov.\(^5\) For more information about submission of promotional materials to the Office of Prescription Drug Promotion (OPDP), see FDA.gov.\(^6\)

All promotional materials that include representations about your drug product must be promptly revised to be consistent with the labeling changes approved in this supplement, including any new safety information [21 CFR 314.70(a)(4)]. The revisions in your promotional materials should include prominent disclosure of the important new safety information that appears in the revised labeling. Within 7 days of receipt of this letter, submit your statement of intent to comply with 21 CFR 314.70(a)(4) to the address above, by fax to 301-847-8444, or electronically in eCTD format. For more information about submitting promotional materials in eCTD format, see the draft guidance for industry Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic and Non-Electronic Format-Promotional Labeling and Advertising Materials for Human Prescription Drugs.

**REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an approved NDA (21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81).

If you have any questions, contact Danbi Lee, Regulatory Project Manager, at danbi.lee@fda.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

\[See appended electronic signature page\]

Tiffany R. Farchione, MD  
Acting Director  
Division of Psychiatry Products  
Office of Drug Evaluation I  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

**ENCLOSURES:**
- Content of Labeling
  - Prescribing Information
  - Medication Guide

\(^4\) [http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM083570.pdf](http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM083570.pdf)  
\(^6\) [http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/CentersOffices/CDER/ucm090142.htm](http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/CentersOffices/CDER/ucm090142.htm)

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