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## Consent decree, why, how, and what to do?

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A consent decree is an agreement between the FDA and a pharmaceutical manufacturer that usually bars the drugmaker from manufacturing and distribution product(s) until the company has implemented timely and sustainable changes, through a series of steps, to bring the drug manufacturer in alignment with the FDA's vision of GMPs. While there is no set formula for what triggers a consent decree, it is safe to assume that many consent decrees were/are caused by FDA inspections in which a company is found not following GMPs, followed by a warning letter. This presentation provides an overview and practical examples of what causes a company to fall under a consent decree, how to avoid it, and what is the best action plan to get out of it.

### Biography

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