

Comments Summary Report

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Submission Date: 10/24/2008

Organization Type: Nonprofit/Voluntary

Organization Name: Spina Bifida Association

First Name: Cindy

Last Name: Brownstein

Job Title: Chief Executive Officer

Key Topic: Food Groups, Nutrient Density/Discretionary Calc, Vitamins

Sub Topic: B Vitamins, Folate, Grains, Whole grains

Attachment: Y

Comment: The Spina Bifida Association (SBA) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments to the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Health and Human Services Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee, as the Dietary Guidelines for Americans are reviewed and revised. As you undertake the development of the 2010 guidelines, we urge you to consider updating the guidelines, by adding a specific recommendation of at least 400 micrograms (mcg) of folic acid for women of childbearing age and incorporating messages about the importance of folic acid consumption into the press release and other collateral materials associated with the dissemination of the new guidelines.

Comment ID: 000033

Submission Date: 10/27/2008

Organization Type: Other

Organization Name: National Council on Folic Acid

First Name: Adriane

Last Name: Griffen

Job Title: Chair

Key Topic: Eating Patterns, Evidence-based Review Process, Food Groups, Vitamins

Sub Topic: B Vitamins, Folate

Attachment: Y

Comment: The Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommendations need to include consuming 400 micrograms of synthetic folic acid daily, either from a multivitamin that contains 400 micrograms of folic acid or from fortified foods.