National Medical Products Administration Releases the 2024 Annual Report on National Cosmetic Sampling Inspection¹

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Cosmetic sampling inspection is an important method of post-market supervision for cosmetics. It plays a key role in identifying cosmetic safety risks, legally combating cosmetic-related violations, and standardizing the production and operation of cosmetics.

In 2024, guided by Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era, and earnestly implementing the requirements of the "four strictest" (i.e., strictest standards, strictest supervision, strictest penalties, and strictest accountability), the National Medical Products Administration (NMPA) organized a nationwide sampling inspection of cosmetics in accordance with the *Cosmetics Supervision and Administration Regulation* and other laws and regulations. The aim was to promote high-quality development of the cosmetics industry and ensure the safety of public cosmetic use.

Overall Situation:

Drug supervision departments across the country adhered to a problem-oriented approach, focused on key regulatory concerns, and paid close attention to cosmetic products and enterprises with higher risk levels.

Sampling efforts were intensified in key areas and locations, targeting 12 categories of cosmetics, including:

- -Acne treatment products
- -Toothpaste
- -General skincare products
- -Makeup products
- -Spot-removal and whitening products
- -Children's cosmetics

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A total of 21,362 batches of products were sampled. Testing was carried out by 33 cosmetic inspection agencies, based on the *Technical Specifications for Cosmetic Safety* (2015 Edition) and other standards. Among them: 20,889 batches met the requirements, accounting for 97.79%. For non-compliant products, the respective provincial-level drug supervision departments conducted legal investigations. Violations were strictly dealt with, and criminal cases were referred to public security authorities according to the law.