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Dr. Wendy Sanhai has a Ph.D. in biochemistry and structural biology from the School of Medicine, State University of New York at Buffalo, and completed her Executive MBA at the Smith School of Business, University of Maryland. As Senior Scientific Advisor, Office of the Commissioner, FDA, Dr. Sanhai is responsible for the development, implementation and management of scientific initiatives and strategic alliances consistent with the agency's public health mission. Dr. Sanhai serves as a Lead Federal Liaison for FDA on a number of scientific consortia and committees. She is the recipient of the Commissioner's Leveraging/Collaboration Award, FDA in 2005, 2006 and again in 2008. Dr. Sanhai held positions as a faculty member at the University of Maryland, School of Medicine, and a technology transfer specialist and patent advisor at NIH's Office of the Director, Office of Technology Transfer where she managed a technology transfer portfolio of over 300 NIH invention families. Dr. Sanhai was the previous Director of Public Private Partnerships at the Foundation for NIH.