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Medical Devices: agreement reached on new EU rules

On 25 May 2016, new rules were agreed on medical devices and in vitro diagnostic medical devices.

Under the Dutch presidency, the European Council and representatives of the European Parliament reached a political agreement. This agreement is subject to the approval by the Council's Permanent Representatives Committee and of the Parliament's ENVI Committee.

The agreed two draft regulations are expected to achieve a twofold aim: making sure that medical devices and in vitro diagnostic medical devices are safe while allowing patients to benefit of innovative health care solutions in a timely manner.

Medical devices and in vitro diagnostic medical devices cover a wide range of products, from sticking plasters to hip replacements, and from pregnancy tests to HIV tests.

"This agreement matters to all citizens: sooner or later all of us enter into contact with medical devices to diagnose, prevent, treat or alleviate diseases. The deal reached will improve patients' health and it will help to enhance the quality of life of disabled persons. It will also ensure a level playing field for the 25,000 medical devices manufacturers in the EU, many of which are SMEs and which employ more than half a million persons", said Edith Schippers, Minister of Health of the Netherlands and President of the Council.

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Remain up-to-date with the MDR and IVDR revision

Keep up to date with all the anticipated changes to the Directives with the two new webpages containing all the support material in one place.

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Update on the Proposed MDR - Webinar

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The DuPont™ Tyvek® Medical Packaging Transition Project

In June 2011, DuPont announced that it is changing the manufacturing lines of Tyvek® 1073B and Tyvek® 1059B to use newer technology, in order to ensure consistent and flexible supply.

Background information

DuPont has been working with a number of European Notified Bodies from the start of this project, including BSI. After review of the transition plans, BSI published a positioning statement to ensure that medical device manufacturers impacted by this change understood the requirements for CE Marked devices.

The statement details requirements for manufacturers who hold Annex II.4 or Annex III CE Certificates to submit a change notification for review by their Notified Body.

With regard to Annex II.3, Annex V or Annex VI CE Certificates, the Tyvek® change is not considered a significant change, and does not need to be reviewed prior to implementation.

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ISO 13485:2016 - Update

The latest edition of ISO 13485, the internationally recognised quality management system standard for the medical device industry, with over 27,000 certificates globally, is now published.

chapter discussion of what's likely to be in the final MDR text, and how this will likely impact manufacturers.

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clauses-by-clause course for those new to the standard, and auditing courses for those participating in internal audits, have been updated to reflect the changes in ISO 13485:2016.

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