Invitation - International symposium

Using IEC standardization work to support medical device regulation

Shanghai, China – 19 October 2019, 13:30-17:30

In conjunction with the 83rd IEC General Meeting

Innovative technologies are transforming medical electrical equipment. Connected devices enable doctors to monitor patients and in some cases, to treat them wherever they are. New advances give rise to new safety, security, societal and ethical challenges that need to be addressed at a global level. The medical device market is global, whereas the regulatory environment is local to each specific jurisdiction. This lends emphasis and importance to an international and harmonized approach to standardization. Keeping track of the rapid innovation occurring in the healthcare field also requires increased collaboration between regulators and standardizers.

Medical device regulators and policy makers can assess and manage risks, create transparency, provide a level playing field for all market players, and benefit patients worldwide by using IEC International Standards and regulatory tools such as testing and certification.

This free of charge symposium will provide medical device regulators with insights into:

- → IEC work in the medical device industry and how to get involved
- → How the International Medical Device Regulators Forum (IMDRF) is optimizing standards for regulatory use and global harmonization
- → How medical device regulators can use IECEE, the IEC System of Conformity Assessment Schemes for Electrotechnical Equipment and Components to support their work
- → Why it is important that regulators make their needs known to IEC and when they should get involved

Who should attend?

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Medical device regulators, members of the IMDRF, industry players from IEC members, and the IEC standardization community.

What to expect

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- → Introduction to the IMDRF and their liaison with IEC
- → Discussions and networking opportunities with peers and key players from the medical device industry
- → Opportunity to learn about latest developments in standardization of medical devices
- → IMDRF guidance on developing standards which address regulators' needs and promote global harmonization

Registration

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Contact your national representative now for details of the registration process in your country. Hurry, seats are limited!

- → IEC member (www.iec.ch/members)
- → IEC affiliate (go.iec.ch/iecaffiliates)

For more information, please contact:
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About IEC

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IEC (International Electrotechnical Commission) is a worldwide, independent, not-for-profit membership organization that develops state-of-the-art, globally relevant international standards for electrical, electronic and information technologies.

The IEC includes 173 countries and brings together 20 000 experts from the private and public sectors.

About IMDRF

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The International Medical Device Regulators Forum (IMDRF) is a voluntary group of medical device regulators from around the world who have come together to build on the strong foundational work of the Global Harmonization Task Force (GHTF) on medical devices.

The Forum aims to accelerate international medical device regulatory harmonization and convergence.

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