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MEDEC: Regulatory Affairs Update

Key Priorities, Issues, and Opportunities to Partner





Outline

- MEDEC
 - Structure and function
 - Current priorities
- Current issues
- Market Authorization Project with Health Canada



MEDEC – who are we?

- The only national medtech trade association

Self funded

- ≈ 150 members from across all segments of industry

- Over 40 years of history

- Advocacy and membership support

MEDEC advocates for Canada's medical technology companies in accelerating patient access to leading edge, innovative technology solutions that yield valuable outcomes



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Strategic Imperatives



- Foster Growth & Leadership Profile of Canadian Medical Technology Eco-System
- Promote Strategic Procurement & Funding Reforms
- Engage the Voice of Clinicians/Patients in Advocating for Access to Innovative Technologies
- Shape Data & Informatics Policy to Enable the Enhancement of Healthcare in Canada



Organization

- **Committee-driven**

- Issues-based Committees and Working Groups: Regulatory Affairs, Procurement, HTA, Innovation, GDSN...
- Regional Committees: Quebec, Ontario, West
- Sectoral Committees: Lab/Dx, Hospital to Community, Vision Care, Cardiovascular, Orthopaedics, Imaging, Wound Care...

- **National Presence**

- Central office in Toronto
- Satellite office in Montreal to manage Quebec advocacy
- Remotely-based VP to cover Western Canada
- Additional connectivity through MOUs with regional Life Sciences organizations

Update on National Issues and Opportunities

- Champion Shift from Volume to Value-based procurement
 - Ontario Supply Chain Review panel & Office of Chief Health Innovation Strategist
 - Alberta Innovates Health Solutions - Strategic Clinical Networks
 - Surrey Innovation Blvd. & Nova Scotia
 - Conference Board of Canada & Project with MedTech Europe
 - Research & Paper: Challenges and opportunities for the adoption of innovative medical technology in Canada
- Changing the procurement dynamics in Quebec
 - MSSS: volume consolidation strategy is firmly entrenched
 - Treasury: open for value, Bill 108 on public markets management
 - Life Sciences Sector Working Group

Update on issues and Opportunities (2)

- Collaborations with Clinicians / stakeholders re: advocating for value & adoption solutions
 - Most notably IVD, Orthopaedics, Wound care, Vision care & Hospital to Community (Ontario)
- Regulatory Approvals – Timelines and Requirements



Regulatory Affairs Specific Areas of Focus

- Addressing the barriers:
Market authorization timelines, Cost recovery, Vanessa's Law, Data transparency/CBI
- Harmonization initiatives:
IMDRF, Regulatory Cooperation Council (US-Canada), CETA (Canada-EU) and with GMTA/DITTA
- Issue-specific projects:
UDI, cybersecurity, digital health, electronic documentation



Regulatory Affairs Committee(s)

- Main and Steering Committees

Sub-committees focus on specific issues

Pre-Market Licensing	Post-Market Vigilance
eHealth initiatives	Health Canada Guidance Documents
In Vitro Diagnostic Devices	Diagnostic Imaging
Global Regulatory (IMDRF)	Regulatory Cooperation
Transparency Task Force	Education/Training

- Meet with Health Canada at formal Bilateral Meetings twice yearly



Issues Addressed Recently

- Cost Recovery (with Federal Affairs Committee)
 - Provided written comments and held multiple meetings with Health Canada (Deputy Minister and RORB)
- Draft ITA Guidance – comments supplied
 - Health Canada indicated comments are being incorporated and their process being re-evaluated
- GMDN
 - Jointly supported Ivey Research and provided feedback to MDB
- MDSAP
 - Provided comments at multiple stages; hosted webinars (recordings available)
- IMDRF
 - ToC and Personalized Medical Devices – provided feedback



Issues Being Addressed



- R2D2: Improving the Regulatory Review of Drugs and Devices
 - Public release of clinical information
 - Building better access to digital health technologies
 - Early pre-submission scientific advice for medical devices
 - Strengthening the use of real world evidence and regulations for medical devices throughout product lifecycle:
 - better use of RWE for regulatory decision making
 - more attention on the post-market aspect of medical devices to improve regulatory oversight
 - more proactive surveillance model for monitoring the safety and effectiveness
 - enhanced ability to manage identified safety risks for medical devices
 - Renewal of the Special Access Programme



Issues Being Addressed (2)

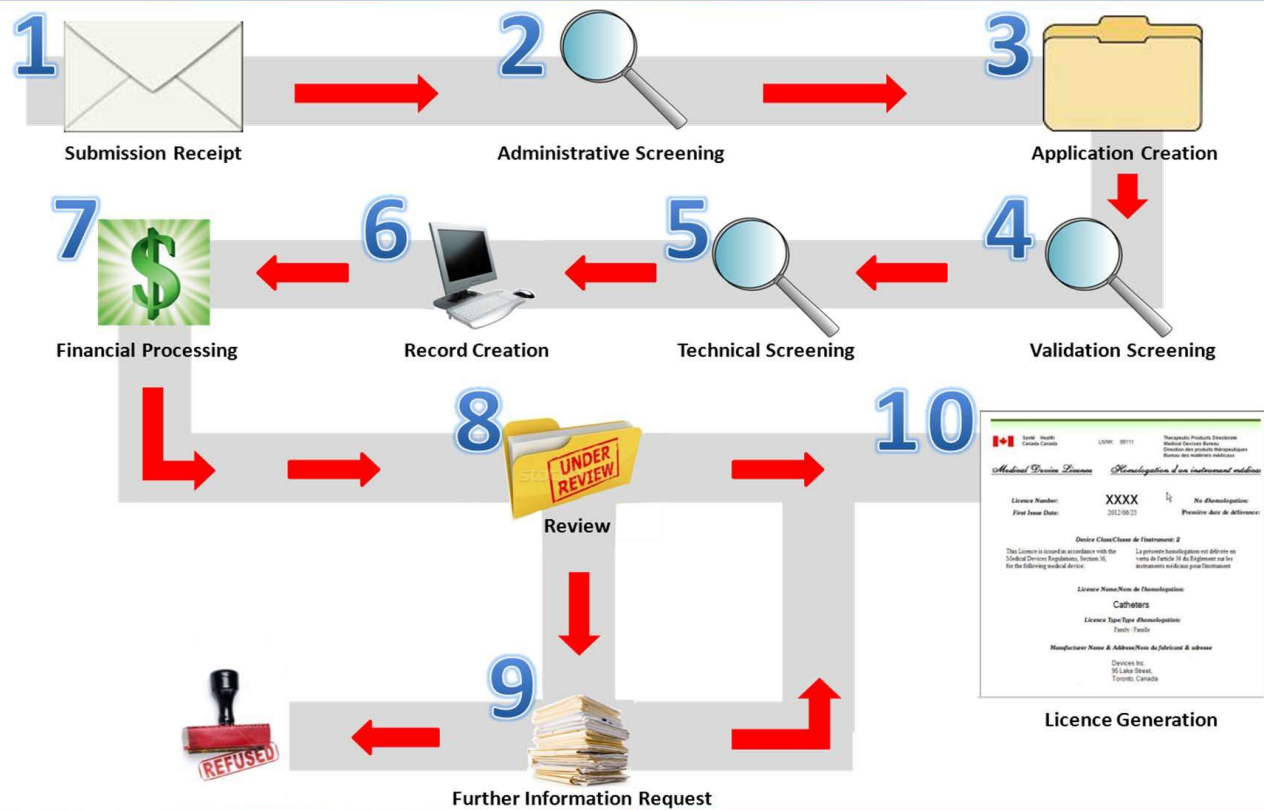
- Regulation and Health Innovation
- Mandatory Reporting of Serious Adverse Drug Reactions and Medical Device Incidents by Health Care Institutions
- Reducing approval times
 - Health Canada initiatives
 - Joint projects



Market Authorization Project

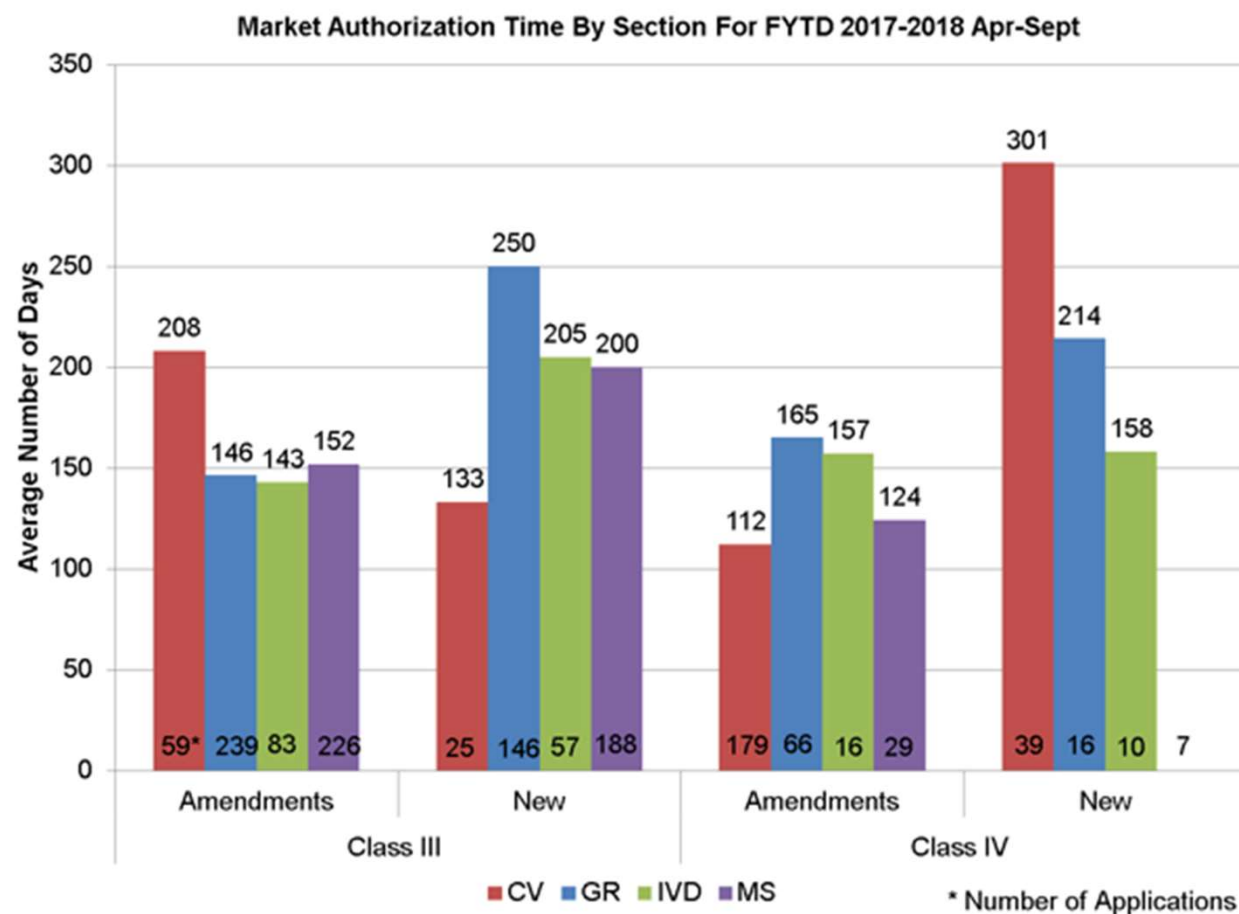
- **Project Goal (April 2017)**
 - To achieve the clarity and alignment necessary for MEDEC and Health Canada to work together to improve overall market authorization time
- **Project Scope (May 2017)**
 - New applications, amendments: Class III, IV; ITAs
 - Improvements to also apply to Class II applications, amendments

Application Management Policy – Class III & IV Devices



Source: Health Canada

Market Authorization Time





Submission Quality Project

- **Project Goal (Sept 2017)**

- Gather data for a root cause analysis in order to formalize a joint work plan (MEDEC, Health Canada) that will address the issues that are delaying overall market approval times for new applications, amendments (Class III, IV) and ITAs

- **Submission Quality Project Survey (Oct – Nov 2017)**

- Identify organizations/individuals interested in being involved in the Project
- Have representation across classes/sections
- Identify what data is currently being tracked
- 28 individuals responded to the survey
- 20 agreed to be part of the Project Team



Submission Quality Project

20 Participating Companies

Bard	Baxter	Baylis	BD
Biotronik	Boston Scientific	ConMed	Cook
Edwards	J&J	LifeScan	Medtronic
Ortho-Clinical	Philips	Roche	Siemens
Smith & Nephew	Stryker	Canon (Toshiba)	Zimmer



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Background: Submission Quality Project

- **Data Collection (Jan to Mar 2018)**
 - MEDEC tool to collect submission data information
 - Each company was asked to provide information on 5-10 submissions
 - Focus on the ones that didn't go according to plan
 - Ideally want submissions from 2017 - not before 2016



Submission Quality Project - Summary

	Total	CV	GR	MS	IVDD
# of companies*		9	12	6	3
# of submissions	135	34	50	36	15
Class III - New	38	0	19	11	8
Class III - Amendments	63	7	28	24	4
Class IV - New	12	10	1	0	1
Class IV - Amendments	22	17	2	1	2
# with SD	75	18	32	18	7
% with SD	56	53	64	50	47
# with AI	101	23	39	27	12
% with AI	75	68	78	75	80

*
Companies
provided
data across
multiple
divisions



Top Reasons for Screening Deficiency - Summary

	Total	CV	GR	MS	IVDD
# Submissions with SD	75	18	32	18	7
Admin/labelling	12	1	6	4	1
Admin/misc.	9	1	7	0	1
Tech/clinical studies	9	3	4	1	1
Tech/marketing history	8	2	1	5	0
Tech/physical and mechanical tests	8	2	1	5	0
Admin/application forms	6	2	4	0	0
Admin/submission completeness	6	2	2	1	1
Tech/labelling	6	2	2	1	1



Timing from Submission to Screening Deficiency

	# of submissions with data*				
	Total	CV	GR	MS	IVDD
	66	16	27	16	7
0-15 days	12 (18%)	2	7	1	2
16-30 days	27 (41%)	5	13	7	2
31-45 days	18 (27%)	7	5	5	1
> 45 days	9 (14%)	2	2	3	2

* Not all companies were able to provide data for "time from subm. to SD"



Top Reasons for AI Requests – Summary

	Total	CV	GR	MS	IVDD
# submissions with AI	101	23	39	27	12
Tech/labelling	45	9	11	20	5
Tech/physical and mechanical tests	39	14	15	10	0
Tech/marketing history	25	10	10	3	2
Tech/clinical studies	16	11	3	1	1
Tech/software	16	3	11	0	2
Tech/sterilization	10	2	8	0	0
Admin/device description	10	0	10	0	0



Health Canada/MEDEC

- MEDEC team met with Health Canada May 24, 2018
 - Submission Management and Division Heads
 - Presented our data and discussed potential causes and solutions in a collaborative manner
 - Agreed that some ongoing projects may help
 - Marketing history template – recently posted on MEDEC website
 - E-learning modules – being developed as part of R2D2
 - Areas for immediate attention/further effort:
 - Tech/labelling – providing specific examples to Health Canada
 - Summaries – help with meeting reviewer expectations



Submission Quality Project - Next Steps

- Formalize joint work plan to address top reasons, actions, timelines, responsibilities (July)
 - Tech/labelling – providing specific examples to Health Canada
 - Whether IFU must be considered a promotional document is being reviewed by Health Canada
 - Summaries – considering webinar of best practices to meet reviewer expectations and/or template(s)
- Implement and monitor joint work plans (July-Dec)



In Summary

- MEDEC advocates for you on wide range of issues
 - Domestically and internationally
- Many changes are coming from Health Canada
- Stakeholder input is vital to making effective changes
- The MEDEC RA Committees are very engaged with Health Canada initiatives



Thank you!

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