



Regulatory Updates

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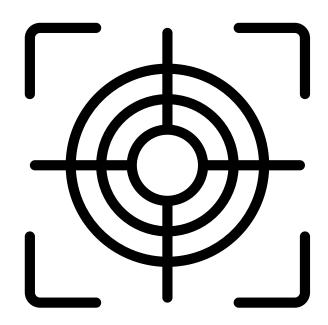






Medical Devices strategical objectives

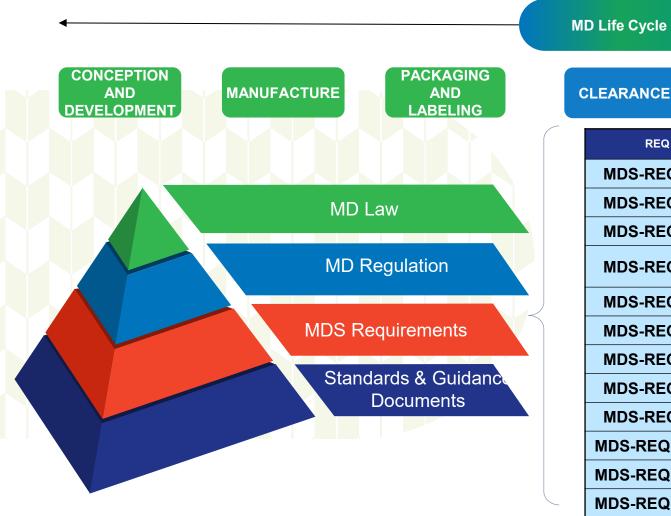
- ☐ Support Research and Innovation (Pathways for innovators and Clinical Trials).
- **Enhancing** requirements of new technology and bio-tech products to be align an updated with all international requirement
- □ Strengthen international collaboration with IMDRF, WHO, GHWP, ISO, IEC...
- ☐ Improving Communication and Awareness with Health Care Providers and Public







SFDA MD Regulatory scheme



CLEARANCE ADVERTISING SALE USE DISPOSAL

REQ No		SCOPE
MDS-REQ1	Medical Devices Marketing Authorization	
MDS-REQ2	Clinical Trials of Medical Devices	
MDS-REQ3	Safe Use of Medical Devices	
MDS-REQ4	Medical Imaging and Accelerators Used for Medical Applications	
MDS-REQ5	Shipments Clearance and Importation	
MDS-REQ6	Radioactive Materials Used in Medical Applications	
MDS-REQ7	Unique Device Identification (UDI)	
MDS-REQ8	Advertising of Medical Devices	
MDS-REQ9	Establishments Licensing	
MDS-REQ10	Inspection and Quality Management System	
MDS-REQ11	Post-Market Surveillance	
MDS-REQ12	Transportation and storage of medical devices	





New SFDA-MD Guidance



➤ To clarify regulatory and technical requirements to be taken into consideration during the design and manufacturing stages of biotechnology-based medical devices.



- ➤ Defines and clarifies the requirements of manufacturers of point of care (POC) medical devices.
- Outlines the development and post market activities for In-house in vitro diagnostic (IH-IVD) medical devices.

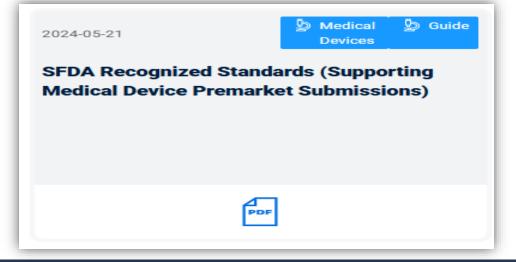




Updated SFDA-MD Guidance



- > To specify the designated criteria for Innovative Medical Devices.
- Outlines the requirements for applying through the Innovative Medical Devices Pathway, and to explain the submission process.



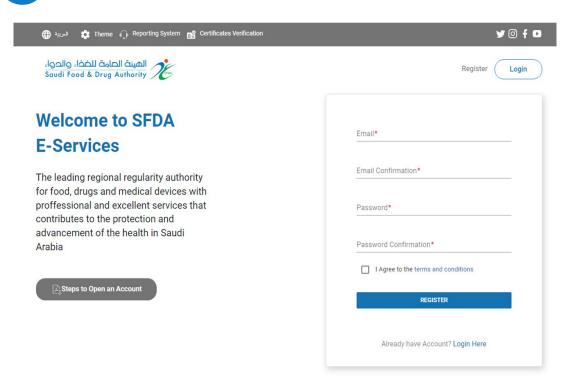
➤ To Support MD Manufacturers to fulfill premarket requirements through complying with the Essential Principles during MDs life cycle .





Updates Electronic System

Overseas MD Manufacturer' Account



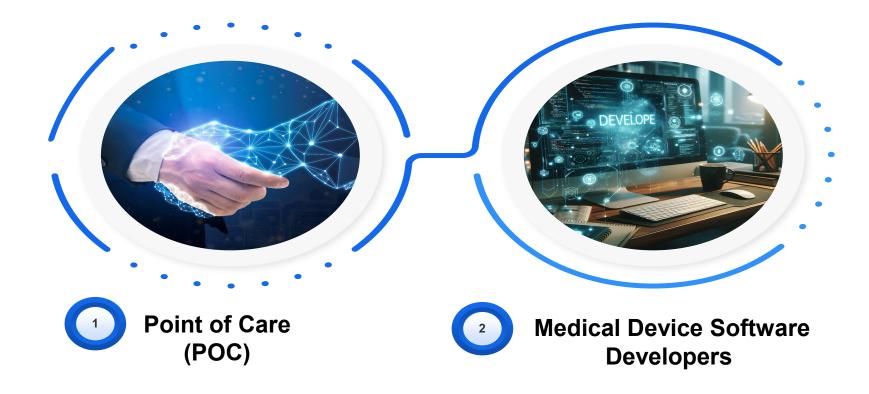
2 Unique Device Identifications (Saudi-DI)







SFDA New Approval and License







Healthcare providers and Patient Engagement Program

Based on benchmarking, working closely with international expertise and cooperation with leading institutions in the field, SFDA published three policies regarding the engagement with healthcare providers and patients based on best practice:

- Policy for Engagement with Healthcare Practitioners (MDS-G017)
- Policy for collecting of Patient Experience (MDS-G 018)
- Policy for Engagement with Patients (MDS-G 019)

In addition , more than 30 workshops were conducted with a total number of 2220 HCP attendees in 2024.

SFDA –MD <u>developed a feedback mechanism</u> from these workshops to measure the impact for improving the communication and risk identifications.





National Diagnostic Reference Levels (NDRLs)

- SFDA has led the first governmental initiative to establish the Saudi National Diagnostic Reference Levels
 (NDRLs) in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
- This aims to promote dose optimization in alignment with international guidance as well as the (SFDA) strategic objectives.
- SFDA has established the Saudi (NDRLs) for the following imaging modalities:
 - Adult CT
 - Pediatric CT
 - General X-ray
 - Mammogram
 - Nuclear Medicine
- The Saudi (NDRLs) were published on the International Journal of Radiation Physics and Chemistry.





Capacity building program

- Conducted <u>two training programs</u> that covered the following topics:
 - Analytical Performance
 - Clinical Evaluation
 - Companion Diagnostics
 - Artificial Intelligence
 - Biocompatibility
- Conducted 6 workshops in cooperation with Universities and research centers about the Technical Requirements for Medical Devices based on Biotechnology, Al. Also the requirements for Conducting Clinical trials.
- In addition, more than 56 workshops were held covering 27 technical topics to explain and clarify the requirements for MD manufacturers in 2024.







Thank you