



Medical device submissions deficiencies from the industry Perspective

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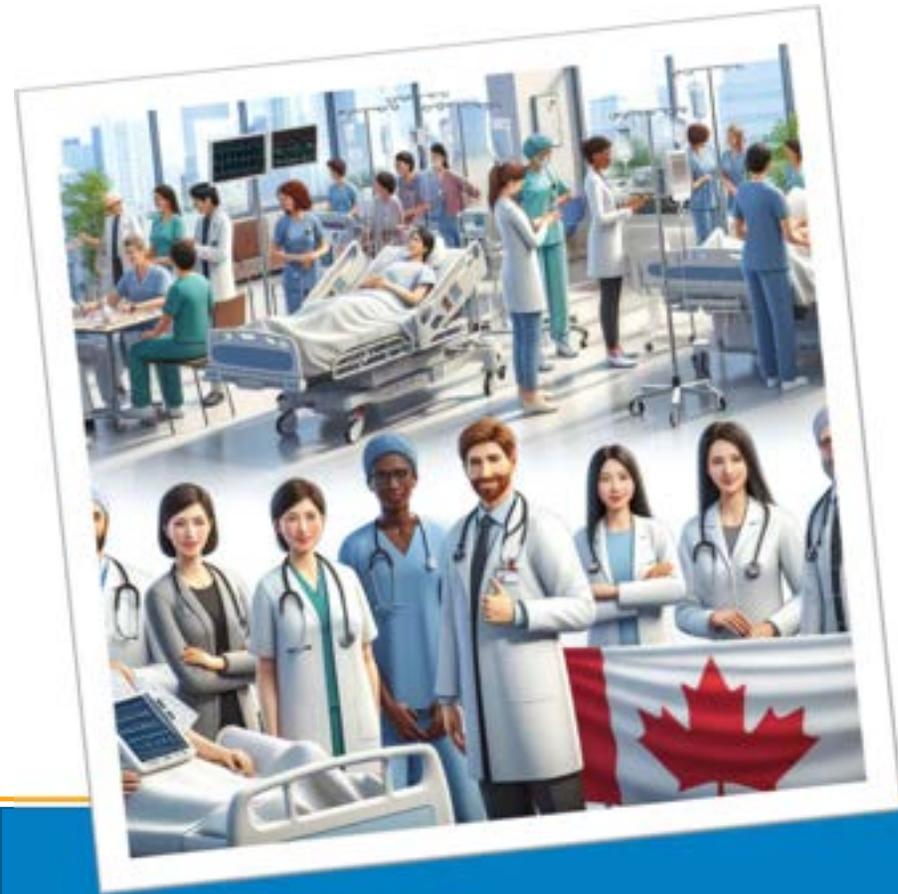
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Medtech Canada - Who we are

Mission: We foster a strong, dynamic medical technology sector for better health outcomes for Canadians.

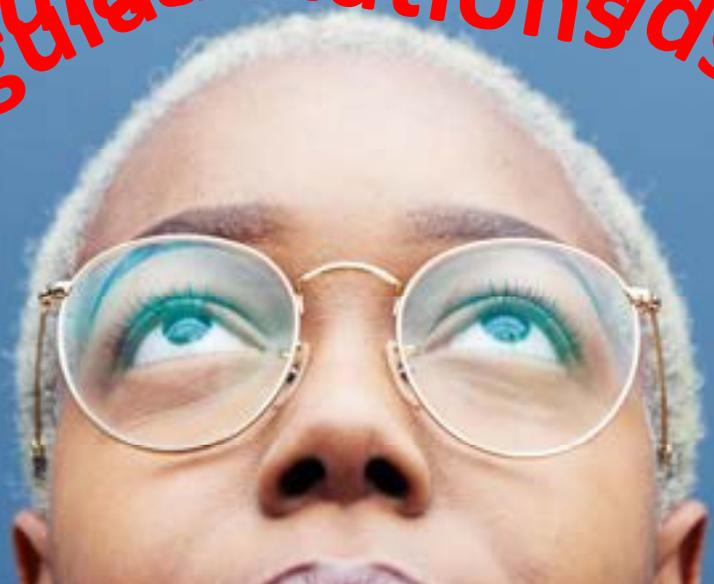
Vision: For Canada to be a world leader in realizing the benefits of medical technologies.

Advocacy: Promoting the industry and bringing forward key messages through active engagement and involvement with stakeholders.



Why does Industry
experience
submission
deficiencies - an
industry Perspective

Insufficient Training
Engaging Gaps
Overworked Industry
Lack of
dull and boring
Fearing and hindering
Guidance with few voice
engaging and helpful
regulations
Regulations
Harboring
regulatory
landscape





How are we tackling these challenges
as an association and as an industry



problem
analysis
solution

- Evolving regulatory landscape
- Lack of international Harmonization
- Unclear Guidance / Regulations
- Insufficient Industry engagement and industry voice during and in between consultations

- Remain engaged – don't rely only on your current regulations saved on your drive or SOPs
 - What's New Medical Devices - [What's new: Medical devices - Canada.ca](#)
 - IMDRF Website - [International Medical Device Regulators Forum \(IMDRF\) | International Medical Device Regulators Forum](#)
 - MDSAP Website - [Medical Device Single Audit Program | Medical Device Single Audit Program \(MDSAP\)](#)
- Engage in international Harmonizations efforts
 - IMDRF Consultations [Consultations | International Medical Device Regulators Forum](#) – currently has “**Essential Principles and Content of Predetermined Change Control Plans**”
 - National Consultation with international implications (eg CUSMA)
 - Engage and share knowledge through Associations that function within international platforms (eg Medtech Canada)
- Engage with you regulators directly or through Associations in seeking clarification on Guidance / Regulations as well as provide feedback on regulatory changes coming down the pitpline
 - Medtech Work*

2023

- Agile Regulation Consultation
- Recalls and Els Consultation
- Clinical Trials
- Determining Classification of MDs
- Machine Learning MDs
- PMRA Submission*

2024

- Significant Change Consultation
- PMRA Submission*
- Recognized Standards Consultation
- N12 Companion Document (IMDRF)
- N73 Good Machine Learning (IMDRF)
- TnCs, GUI-0054/GUI-0016/FRM-0292

2025

- Servicing and installation
- MDSAP – SMEs
- MDSAP – Survey
- Sub-Committee – Clinical Trials
- Shortages – CG1, GUI-0137 & GUI-0147
- MDEL - CG1, GUI-0016, GUI-0064, GUI-0079 & FRM-0292
- SCC-NIST Workshop on Standards
- Consultation on draft guidance on co-packaged drug products
- Guidance on managing applications for medical device licences
- UDI



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- Training gaps and Overworked –a theme that is common for both parties
 - Medtech Canada strives at all time to identify way to minimize workload and improve training for both Members and Health Canada
 - Training
 - Workshops
 - Conference
 - Manufacturer / Vendor Days
 - Workload
 - Reduction in inquiries to Health Canada results in reduction of workload on both sides
 - Workload reduction (without compromising quality of work) is a constant them in all of our review and feedback to consultations
 - Coordinate feedback with other industry memebrs / associations (eg instead of 50 consultation responses how about one that summarizes all points)
 - Red Tape reduction is a perfect example of reduction of red tape on both sides
- Fear of engaging with regulators
 - Rip off that band aid and say “hello”
 - Engage through Assocaitions or anonymous feedback mechanisms
 - Provide honest and open feedback to regulators – it is the ONLY way to improve



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Successes

"Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success." - Henry Ford'

- **Red Tape Reduction**

- Various points noted in the recent Red-Tape reduction are areas where Medtech has been championing change or supporting change through consultation or feedback
 - Public Release of Clinical Information
 - MDEL regulatory changes
 - Ts and Cs for MDL
 - Creation of a pathway to MD Classification considerations - IBR

- **MDSAP**

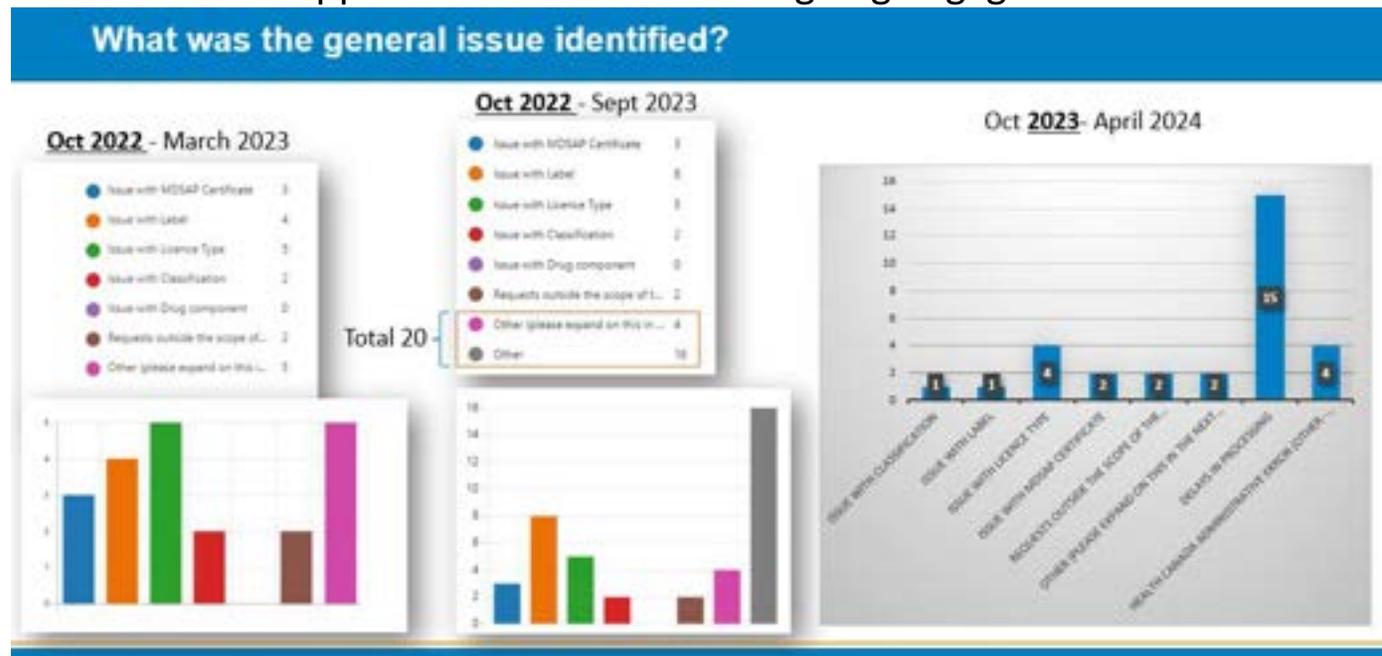
- Bringing industry's voice to the program

- **Clarification on Forms**

- Mandatory vs optional fields for MPRs and MDEL Applications / Renewals

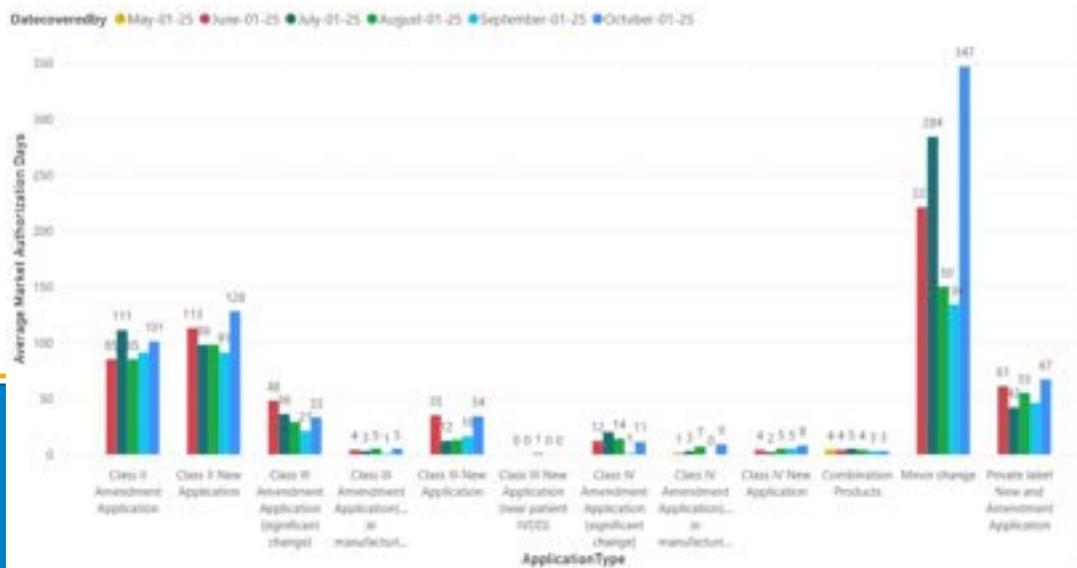
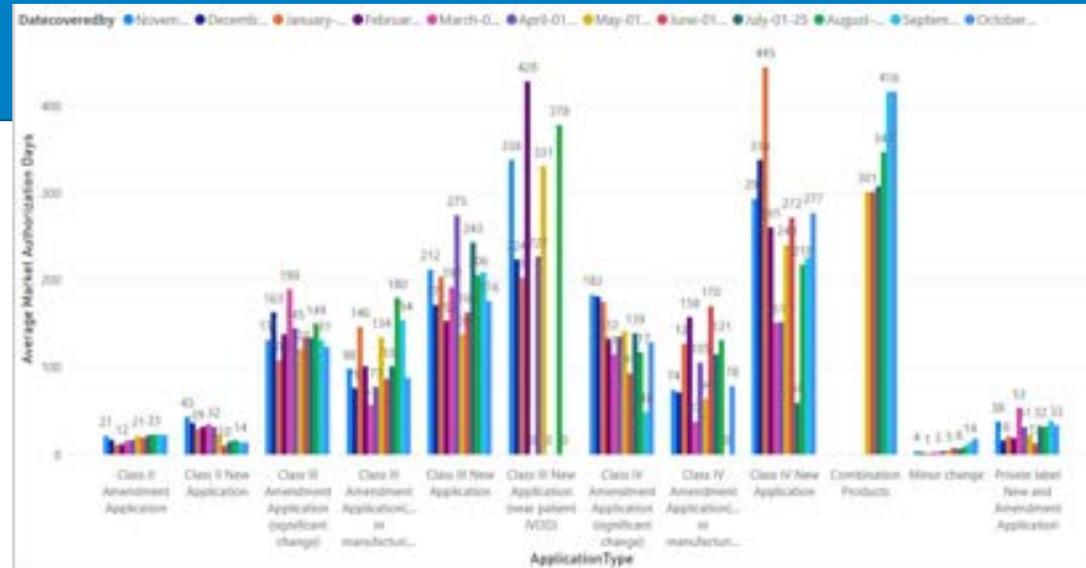
- **Pre-market concerns – ongoing discussions to monitor Industry signals**

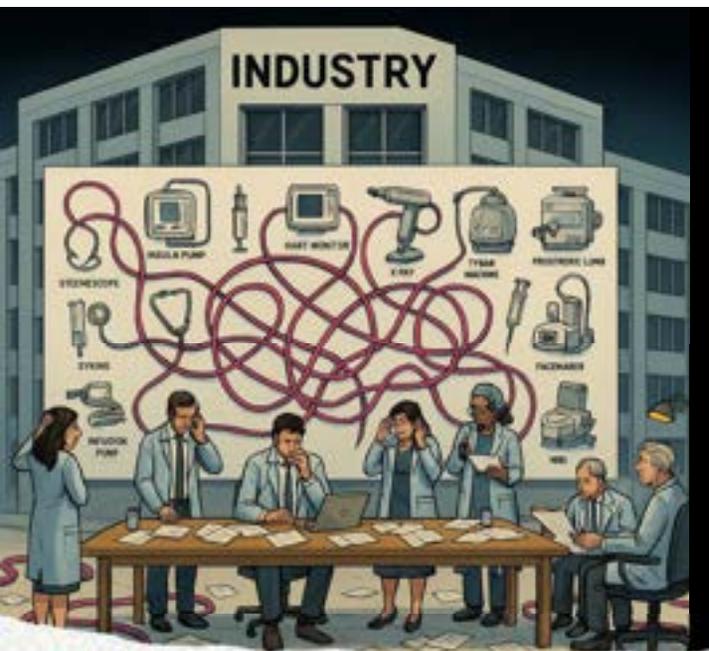
- Identification of Medical device application concerns and ongoing engagement with Health Canada



Market Authorization Time

- MAT Table
 - Providing visibility to industry on Market Authorization Timelines so that industry can make informed decisions





A tale of two perspectives... with a common goal – to foster a strong, dynamic medical technology sector for better health outcomes for Canadians.

We welcome all to join us on a 2-day hybrid event that will focus on information exchange and enlightening conversations

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