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# WHO Medical Devices

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## WHO Campaign on Medical Devices

In this issue you will find the announcement of two new publications; the *WHO Compendium of Innovative Health Technologies for Low-resource Settings 2024* and the second edition of *Medical device donations: considerations for solicitation and provision.* This issue also includes an update on the webinar for medical device nomenclature, two job openings related to medical devices and a save the date invite for Patient Safety Day 2024.


### Now available - WHO Compendium of innovative health technologies for low-resource settings 2024

It includes commercially available solutions and prototypes. This 7th edition showcases 21 technologies, each with a full assessment. It also includes updates for technologies previously featured in previous compendia editions. Assessments include clinical aspects, relation to WHO technical specifications, regulatory compliance, criteria on health technology assessment and health technology management, local production viability, and intellectual property considerations.

By providing evidence-based assessments and relevant information, it aims to drive use of innovative health technology and expand global access, particularly for low-resource settings and populations in need.

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### Now available - Medical device donations: considerations for solicitation and provision. Second edition

WHO developed guidance on medical device donation in 2011, which has been now reviewed, with new evidence, new references on considerations for medical device solicitation and provision, risks associated with inappropriate donations, the responsibilities of donors and recipient, and the steps they should follow before, during and after a donation. It includes three sections: description of major problems that may be faced during the donation process, listing of best practices for donors and recipients and addressing situations requiring special attention.

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### Medical device nomenclature webinar - Now the slides, recording and Q&A are available

Following the WHA75(25) decision on standardization of medical devices nomenclature, WHO has integrated information related to medical device nomenclature including terms, codes and definitions in the WHO Medical Devices Information system MeDeviS. The webinar presented the nomenclature systems used in MeDeviS.

**Information available here**

### Job openings for medical devices in WHO

Please apply to the positions below via WHO Stellis portal

**Technical Officer, Medical Devices - (2405515)**
**Closing Date:** 31 August 2024
**Primary Location:** Geneva, Switzerland
**Responsibilities:** Coordinate the establishment and implementation of the process for prequalification of priority medical devices (including software as medical device and personal protective equipment (PPE)).
**Education:** Master's degree in Biomedical Engineering
**Experience:** At least seven years of relevant experience

**Apply here**

**Technical Officer, Medical Devices - (2405516)**
**Closing Date:** 31 August 2024
**Primary Location:** Geneva, Switzerland
**Responsibilities:** Participate in the establishment and implementation of the process for prequalification of priority medical devices (including software as medical device and personal protective equipment (PPE)).
**Education:** Bachelor's degree in Biomedical Engineering
**Experience:** At least five years of relevant experience

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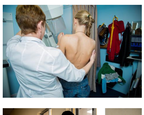

### Save the date - World Patient Safety Day, 17 September 2024: "Improving diagnosis for patient safety"

"Get it right, make it safe!"

World Patient Safety Day is an opportunity to raise public awareness and foster collaboration between patients, health workers, policymakers and health care leaders to improve patient safety.

This year the theme is **"Improving diagnosis for patient safety"** highlighting the critical importance of correct and timely diagnosis in ensuring patient safety and improving health outcomes.

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