



WHO Medical Devices

Newsletter December 2022

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We have reached December 2022. We have endured 3 very challenging years with COVID19. We have acknowledged that medical devices for protection, diagnosis, or treatment of patients need to be of good quality, safely used, affordable, appropriate and available for those that need them the most. Yet, much still needs to be done. Please find below some of the latest updates on our work. Looking forward for continued collaboration in the following years.

The medical devices team wishes you a joyful, healthy and successful 2023. Take care, be safe and help others be safe. Remember that your health is your wealth!



Publications

The [Global Atlas for Medical Devices 2022](#) has been published. It includes Country profiles with information provided by Member States, on policies for medical devices, availability of national lists, regulatory agencies, HTA units, official nomenclature systems, contact information and additional comments on each of the topics. This is an updated version of the 2017 and 2010 editions.

WHO medical devices publications

The Members of the First WHO Strategic and Technical Advisory Group of Medical Devices have been appointed

The STAG MEDEV is a new advisory body to WHO on matters of global policies and strategies related to medical devices and health technologies. It also advises WHO on global priorities and emerging issues. Background, terms of reference and the list of the Members can be found at: [STAG-MEDEV](#).

WHO Advisory Groups

Strategic and technical advisory group of experts on medical devices.

Areas of expertise:

Biomedical Engineering	Materials Engineering	Health Economics
Health Technology Assessment	Health Technology Management	Medicine and Surgery
Medical Physics	Global Public Health	Public Policy
Regulation medical devices	Marketing devices	Law

Candidates originating from:

Ethiopia	Australia	Austria	Bangladesh	Canada	China
Ethiopia	France	Ghana	India	Rwanda	Lebanon
Malaysia	Nepal	Nigeria	Pakistan	Paraguay	Peru
Rwanda	Saudi Arabia	Senegal	Singapore	South Africa	Tunisia
Uganda	United Kingdom	United States of America	Uruguay		

156 expressions of interest received from candidates originating from 56 Member States

Integration of the mapping of medical devices nomenclature data in WHO platforms

A joint effort between WHO and the WHO Member States has been initiated to integrate the mapping of medical devices nomenclature data in WHO platforms. This effort is part of the WHO Strategic and Technical Advisory Group of Medical Devices (STAG-MEDEV) work plan for 2022-2023. The STAG-MEDEV is a new advisory body to WHO on matters of global policies and strategies related to medical devices and health technologies. It also advises WHO on global priorities and emerging issues. Background, terms of reference and the list of the Members can be found at: [STAG-MEDEV](#).



2022 Member States information session

2022 Member States information session on medical devices

30 January to 7 February 2023 - Executive board 152 (EB 152)



Events: Executive Board 152nd session (EB152) includes nomenclature of medical devices.

The [WHO Executive Board 152nd session](#), will take place from 30 January to 7 February 2023.

The **standardization of medical devices nomenclature** is agenda item [EB152/11](#) (report has been posted).

Previously, the [3rd Member States Information Session](#) on Nomenclature, took place 1st December 2022. PPT and recording are available.

As per [WHA75\(25\)](#) mandate, integration of medical devices codes and terms has initiated. More information at [medical device's nomenclature page](#).

All WHO events



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Health Product Policy and Standards Department
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