

WHO Medical Devices

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WHO Campaign on Medical Devices

In this issue you will find: information for the World Health Assembly happening this week in Geneva; an invite to a workshop on the WHO Global Model Regulatory Framework for Medical Devices; a link to the Patient safety rights charter; a reminder for the call for submissions for the fifth WHO model list of essential in vitro diagnostics (EDL 5); and a save the date for the webinar on nomenclature for medical devices.



Seventy-seventh World Health Assembly #WHA77

The Seventy-seventh World Health Assembly is being held on 27 May – 1 June 2024. This year's theme is: All for Health, Health for All.

Proceedings will be webcast live from the web page linked below.

[Watch the World Health Assembly sessions](#)

A series of Strategic Roundtables will take place during the WHA77. They bring together delegates, experts from WHO, partner agencies and civil society to discuss current priorities and next solutions on vital issues for global public health.

[Learn more about the Strategic Roundtables](#)



Global dissemination workshop of the WHO Global Model Regulatory Framework for Medical Devices

Date: 14 June 2024

Time: 12:00 - 14:00hrs and 16:00 to 18:00hrs

This two-hour dissemination workshop, hosted by the WHO Regulation and Safety Unit through the Regulatory Convergence and Network Team, will inform about important updates introduced in the GMRF. Registration link is available below.

[Register now](#)

10 Patient safety rights

- 1 Right to timely, effective and appropriate care
- 2 Right to safe health care processes and practices
- 3 Right to qualified and competent health workers
- 4 Right to safe medical products and their safe and rational use
- 5 Right to safe and secure health care facilities
- 6 Right to dignity, respect, non-discrimination, privacy and confidentiality
- 7 Right to information, education and supported decision making
- 8 Right to access to medical records
- 9 Right to be heard and fair resolution
- 10 Right to patient and family engagement

Patient safety rights charter

The Charter was developed under the theme “Engaging patients for patient safety” and slogan “Elevate the voice of patients!”

The Charter aims to outline patients’ rights in the context of safety. It promotes the upholding of patient safety rights, as established by international human rights standards, for everyone, everywhere, regardless of their age, gender, ethnicity or race, language, religion, disability, socioeconomic status or any other status. The Charter will support stakeholders in formulating policies and legislation, and in developing mechanisms to ensure that patients’ rights to safe care are respected, protected and fulfilled.

[Read more](#)



The call for submissions for the fifth WHO model list of essential in vitro diagnostics (EDL 5) is open

Last chance: the call closes 30 June 2024, 12PM CEST

The EDL is a health policy document, based on scientific evidence, consisting of a list of categories of IVD tests and recommendations for using those tests in relation to the assay format, test purpose, specimen type and health care setting. The EDL aims to serve as a reference to guide development of or to update a national EDL (NEDL) at the country level within the framework of universal health coverage.

[More information](#)



Medical device nomenclature webinar. Save the date!

When? Monday, July 8, 2024 at 13:00 CEST

Where? Join virtually

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 will present the nomenclature systems used in MeDeViS.

Registration coming soon!



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