

FDA Update: Office of In Vitro Diagnostics

**Association of Medical Diagnostics Manufacturers (AMDM)
Fall Focus Meeting
October 19, 2023**

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OHT7: Device Types Reviewed by Division



Division of Chemistry and Toxicology Devices

- Chemistry
- Toxicology
- Cardio-renal
- Diabetes

Division of Immunology and Hematology Devices

- Hematology
- Immunology and Flow Cytometry

Division of Microbiology Devices

- Viral Respiratory and HPV
- General Viral and Hepatitis
- General Bacterial and Antimicrobial
- Bacterial Respiratory and Medical Countermeasures

Division of Molecular Genetics and Pathology

- Molecular Pathology and Cytology
- Molecular Genetics

OHT7 Staff Have a Wealth of Experience

over 300 highly motivated staff

widespread experience

various specialties

>96% customer satisfaction rating
in 2022



OHT7 Key Activities

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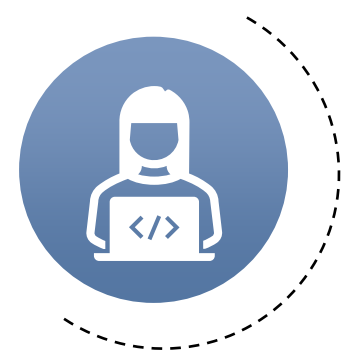
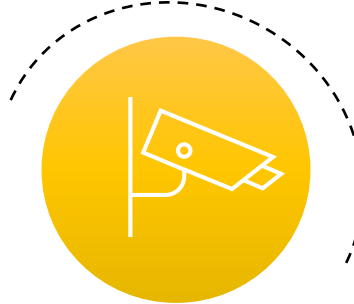
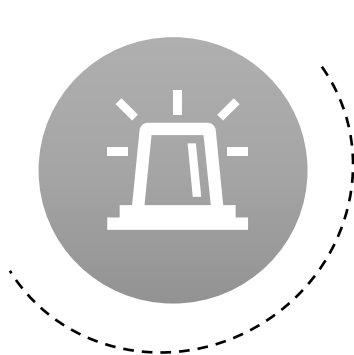
- PMA, 510(k), De novo request reviews
- Investigational Device Exemptions
- Humanitarian Device Exemptions
- Pre-submissions
- Breakthrough designation requests
- Premarket inspections
- CLIA waiver applications
- CLIA categorizations

Postmarket Activities

- Monitoring and Surveillance
- Postmarket Inspections
- Postmarket Studies
- Recalls
- Compliance and Enforcement Actions
- Safety communications

External Engagement & Outreach

- External training and engagement
- Public meetings
- Conferences
- Town Halls
- Inquiry responses



Emergency Use

- Emergency Use Authorizations
- Cross-agency collaborations
- Stakeholder engagement, including Town Halls

Guidance

- Issue new guidances
- Update existing guidances
- Training and webinars

Program Development & Operations

- Internal training
- Performance tracking
- Data reporting

FY 2023 OHT7 Premarket Review Progress

~ 1621 Submissions:

- ~90 PMAs and PMA Supplements
- ~300 510(k)s
- ~20 De Novos
- ~900 Pre-Submissions
- ~50 IDEs
- 1 CLIA Waiver by Application
- 15 Dual 510(k) and CLIA Waiver by Application
- ~80 EUAs

YTD Office Highlights for 2023



- First de novo authorization for a preeclampsia risk assessment test, which had been designated as a breakthrough device (and helps address one of the unmet public health needs highlighted in the breakthrough device designation guidance)
- First de novo authorization of an in vitro diagnostic intended to aid in the assessment of risk of progressive kidney function decline in adult patients with Type 2 diabetes and existing chronic kidney disease
- Cleared two “mega submissions” which allow for the simultaneous antimicrobial susceptibility testing of a larger number of drugs and drug concentrations than previous cleared systems
- First De Novo authorization for a COVID-19 molecular testing at-home over-the-counter (OTC) use test
- First two SARS-CoV-2 serology tests for the qualitative detection of IgG antibodies to SARS-CoV-2 in human serum or plasma samples
- First adeno-associated virus (AAV) companion diagnostic IVD test to detect pre-existing antibodies to help health care providers identify patients who may benefit from receiving gene therapy to treat severe hemophilia A
- First commercially available rapid TBI biomarker laboratory-based blood test to evaluate concussions
- Clearance of four completely new insulin pumps – more than doubling the number of options patients have had for the last decade
- Clearance of an automated insulin dosing (AID) system that introduces a new paradigm in simplified user experience, expanding access to users who want a more hands-off approach to managing their insulin pump therapy
- Clearance of improved versions of iCGM sensors, which drops a prior restriction against use in AID systems.
- First de novo for a digital behavioral therapeutic to aid in the management of type 2 diabetes

FDA Proposes Rule Aimed at Helping to Ensure Safety and Effectiveness of Laboratory Developed Tests



- The proposed rule seeks to amend the FDA's regulations to make explicit that IVDs are devices under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, including when the manufacturer of the IVD is a laboratory.
- Along with this amendment, the FDA is proposing a policy under which the agency intends to provide greater oversight of LDTs, through a phaseout of its general enforcement discretion approach to LDTs.
- Submit comments to the docket: FDA-2023-N-2177

The screenshot shows the Federal Register entry for a proposed rule. At the top, it features the National Archives logo, the text 'FEDERAL REGISTER The Daily Journal of the United States Government', and the Presidential Seal. A blue banner indicates 'Proposed Rule'. The title 'Medical Devices; Laboratory Developed Tests' is prominently displayed, followed by the text 'A Proposed Rule by the Food and Drug Administration on 10/03/2023'. Below this, a comment period notice states 'This document has a comment period that ends in 55 days. (12/04/2023)' and a green button says 'SUBMIT A FORMAL COMMENT'. It also notes '5 comments received. View posted comments'. The main content area is titled 'PUBLISHED DOCUMENT' and includes a sidebar with icons for document actions. The 'AGENCY:' is 'Food and Drug Administration, HHS.', the 'ACTION:' is 'Proposed rule.', and the 'SUMMARY:' states that the FDA is proposing to amend its regulations to make explicit that in vitro diagnostic products (IVDs) are devices under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act) including when the manufacturer of the IVD is a laboratory. In conjunction with this amendment, FDA is proposing a policy under which FDA intends to phase out its general enforcement discretion approach for laboratory developed tests. A 'DOCUMENT DETAILS' sidebar on the right provides additional information: 'Printed version: PDF', 'Publication Date: 10/03/2023', 'Agencies: Food and Drug Administration', 'Dates: Either electronic or written comments on the proposed rule must be submitted by December 4, 2023.', 'Comments Close: 12/04/2023', and 'Document Type: Proposed Rule'.

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Webinar on LDT Proposed Rule – October 31, 2023



Webinar Details

Registration is not necessary.

Date: October 31, 2023

Time: 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM ET

Please dial in 15 minutes before the start of the call to allow time to connect.

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

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- On October 31, 2023, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will host a webinar to provide information on the proposed rule regarding Laboratory Developed Tests or LDTs.
- <https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/workshops-conferences-medical-devices/webinar-proposed-rule-medical-devices-laboratory-developed-tests-10312023>
- During the webinar, the FDA will:
 - Provide an overview of the rulemaking proposal to amend the FDA's regulations to make explicit that in vitro diagnostic products (IVDs) are devices under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act including when the manufacturer of the IVD is a laboratory.
 - Describe the proposed phaseout of FDA's general enforcement discretion approach to LDTs.
 - Host a Q&A session based on questions that have been submitted prior to the webinar at CDRHWebinars@fda.hhs.gov. Questions will not be taken during the live webinar. All questions are due by October 23, 2023, to be considered for the discussion.

CDRH's Efforts to Return to Normal



- Reauthorization of the Medical Device User Fee Amendments (MDUFA) authorizes FDA to collect user fees for the review of device applications for fiscal years 2023 through 2027
- CDRH is accepting and immediately initiating the review process for all new in vitro diagnostic (IVD) premarket submissions and pre-submissions in accordance with the performance goals established in the [MDUFA V Commitment Letter](#)
- COVID-19 Tests
 - Hundreds remain authorized under EUA
 - Many have received traditional marketing authorization
 - Developers are encouraged to seek traditional premarket clearance for most COVID-19 tests

COVID-19 IVD EUAs Authorized as of October 12, 2023



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Molecular diagnostic tests

- 33 Pooling
- 68 Asymptomatic single use screening
- 6 Serial screening
- 25 Multi-analyte (i.e., SARS-CoV-2 + Influenza)
- 25 Point-of-care
- 73 Home collection
 - 16 Direct-to-consumer
 - 5 Multi-analyte
 - 14 Saliva home collection
- 21 Standalone home collection kits
- 3 Standalone saliva collection devices
- 1 Prescription at-home test
- 5 Over-the-counter (OTC) at-home tests

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Antigen diagnostic tests

- 59 Point-of-care
- 2 Prescription at-home tests
- 32 Over-the-counter (OTC) at-home tests
- 50 Serial Screening
- 3 Serial Testing
- 4 Multi-Analyte

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Serology and other immune response tests

- 13 Point-of-care
- 3 Neutralizing antibody tests
- 16 Semi-quantitative
- 1 Quantitative
- 1 Home collection

At-Home OTC COVID-19 Diagnostic Tests and Expiration Date Extensions



- 37 OTC COVID-19 diagnostic tests authorized under EUA
- FDA web page provides information about [Authorized At-Home OTC COVID-19 Diagnostic Tests](#) including links to home use instructions for each test and information about updated expiration dates.
- On September 25, 2023, The Biden administration resumed offering free at-home Covid tests to American households at [COVID.gov/test](https://www.covid.gov/test).



Final COVID-19 Transition Guidances

- On March 27, 2023, CDRH issued two guidance documents to assist with transition plans for medical devices that were issued EUAs or fall within certain enforcement policies issued to support the response to the COVID-19 pandemic
 - [Transition Plan for Medical Devices Issued Emergency Use Authorizations \(EUAs\) Related to Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)
 - Referred to as “EUA Transition Guidance”
 - [Transition Plan for Medical Devices That Fall Within Enforcement Policies Issued During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) Public Health Emergency](#)
 - Referred to as “Enforcement Policies Transition Guidance”
 - FDA’s Policy for Coronavirus Disease-2019 Tests (Revised) and Policy for Evaluating Impact of Viral Mutations on COVID-19 Tests (Revised) are outside scope

COVID-19 Transition Highlights



PHE and EUA Declarations

- The Public Health Emergency declared under Section 319 of the Public Health Service Act ended on May 11, 2023.
- The determination and declarations under Section 564 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act) remain in effect.
 - For each EUA declaration, FDA will publish advance notice of termination in the Federal Register, **180 days** before termination of the EUA declaration and associated EUAs.

COVID-19 Transition Guidances

- Outline the FDA's general recommendations to transition from certain policies adopted and operations implemented during the COVID-19 pandemic to normal operations, including the FDA's recommendations for:
 - Developing a transition implementation plan for in vitro diagnostics (IVDs) with an EUA
 - Submitting an IVD marketing submission
 - Taking other actions with respect to these IVDs
 - Additional information related to test developers and COVID-19 tests.

Traditional Marketing Authorization for COVID-19 Tests


COVID-19 Tests Granted Traditional Marketing Authorization by the FDA



The FDA has been working with COVID-19 test developers seeking to pursue marketing authorization through the traditional premarket review pathways, which will allow these tests to continue to be used beyond the time allowed by emergency use authorization.

This page lists [COVID-19 tests that have received traditional marketing authorization](#). See the [Marketing Your Device](#) page for more information about the traditional premarket review and authorization process.

Background

Initially, COVID-19 tests were only available under [emergency use authorization \(EUA\)](#) . Since the Secretary's 564 declaration related to in vitro diagnostic tests for COVID-19, on February 4, 2020, the FDA has granted EUAs for many COVID-19 tests. Tests with an active EUA can continue to be used as long as they are available and not expired. The FDA has also issued a guidance document with a [Transition Plan for Medical Devices Issued EUAs Related to COVID-19](#) and encourages EUA holders to pursue traditional marketing authorization. Visit the [COVID-19 Test EUA page](#) for more information about these EUAs.

New webpage provides information on tests with de novo and 510(k):

<https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/coronavirus-covid-19-and-medical-devices/covid-19-tests-granted-traditional-marketing-authorization-fda>

The 510(k) Pathway is Available for Most COVID-19 Tests



Multiple marketing authorizations have been granted using the De Novo review pathway, a regulatory pathway for low-to moderate-risk devices of a new type:

- **BioFire Respiratory Panel 2.1 (RP2.1):** First COVID-19 molecular diagnostic test. *Granted March 17, 2021*
- **Quidel Sofia 2 SARS Antigen+ FIA:** First COVID-19 antigen test. *Granted March 8, 2023*
- **VITROS Immunodiagnostic Products Anti-SARS-CoV-2 Total Test and Anti-SARS-CoV-2 IgG Test:** First COVID-19 serology tests. *Granted May 5, 2023*
- **Cue COVID-19 Molecular Test:** First over-the-counter (OTC) test for COVID-19 to be granted marketing authorization using a traditional premarket review pathway and the first ever at-home test authorized using a traditional premarket review pathway for any respiratory illness. *Granted June 6, 2023*

CDRH: Center Initiatives

- Customer Collaboration Portal (CDRH Portal)
- Electronic Submission Template And Resource (eSTAR)
- Predetermined Change Control Plans
- Cybersecurity in Medical Devices
- Breakthrough Devices Program
- Medical Devices Intended for Use in the Home

Customer Collaboration Portal (CDRH Portal)

- Submission hub for CDRH-led premarket submission types for internal and external stakeholders
- Online progress tracker dashboard displays near real-time submission status for Pre-Submissions and 510(k) submissions (traditional, special, and abbreviated 510(k)s)
- The CDRH Portal cannot receive files that are:
 - larger than 4GB
 - PDFs with an attachment larger than 1GB
 - To submit electronic files that exceed the technical limitations, you can mail the electronic version of your submission to the CDRH Document Control Center (DCC)



electronic Submission Template And Resource

- As of October 1, 2023, all 510(k) submissions, *unless exempted**, must be submitted electronically using eSTAR
- Pre-Submissions, Premarket approval (PMA), and De Novo requests submitted using eSTAR remain voluntary until further notice.
- Dynamic PDF template for assembling submission
 - eSTAR is a submission preparation template, NOT a new type of 510(k)
- Guides the medical device applicant through the process of preparing a comprehensive medical device submission
 - Contains automation, guides, integrated databases, policies and procedures in a single package
- Modeled after the SMART review template used by review staff

[Electronic Submission Template for Medical Device 510\(k\) Submissions: Guidance for Industry and FDA Staff](#)

*See Section VI.A. Waivers and Exemptions from [Electronic Submission Requirements of Electronic Submission Template for Medical Device 510\(k\) Submissions](#) guidance

Predetermined Change Control Plans

CDRH Issues Draft Guidance on Predetermined Change Control Plans for Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning- Enabled Medical Devices



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 30, 2023

*The following is attributed to Brendan O'Leary, Deputy Director
Center of Excellence in the FDA's Center for Devices and Radiological Health*

Digital health technologies are playing an increasingly significant role in our health and daily lives, and Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning are powering important advancements in this field. The FDA has already approved more than [500 AI/ML-enabled medical devices](#), and more are under development. Ensuring that these innovative devices are safe and effective, and that they can be modified, updated, and replaced as needed, is central to the FDA's public health mission.

Today, the FDA is publishing a draft guidance, "[Marketing Submissions for a Predetermined Change Control Plan for Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning \(AI/ML\)-Enabled Medical Devices](#)." This draft guidance proposes a science-based approach to ensuring that AI/ML-enabled devices can be safely, effectively, and rapidly modified, updated, and replaced as needed.

WEBCAST

Webinar – Immediately-in-effect guidance: Antimicrobial Susceptibility Test System Devices – Updating Breakpoints in Device Labeling

NOVEMBER 9, 2023



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Date: November 9, 2023

Time: 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM ET

Contains Nonbinding Recommendations

Antimicrobial Susceptibility Test (AST) System Devices – Updating Breakpoints in Device Labeling

Guidance for Industry and Food and Drug Administration Staff

Document issued on September 29, 2023

This document supersedes [Updating Labeling for Susceptibility Test Information in Systemic Antibacterial Drug Products and Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing Devices \(June 2009\)](#).

For questions about this document, contact the Division of Microbiology Devices at STdevices@fda.hhs.gov.

Final Guidance: Cybersecurity in Medical Devices

- Issued September 27, 2023
- Provides FDA's recommendations to industry regarding cybersecurity device design, labeling, and the documentation that FDA recommends be included in premarket submissions for devices with cybersecurity risk.
- These recommendations are intended to promote consistency, facilitate efficient premarket review, and help ensure that marketed medical devices are sufficiently resilient to cybersecurity threats.



Breakthrough Devices Program: Updated Final Guidance



A voluntary program for certain medical devices that provide for more effective treatment or diagnosis of life-threatening or irreversibly debilitating diseases or conditions.

- The goal is to provide patients and health care providers with timely access to these medical devices by speeding up their development, assessment, and review, while preserving the statutory standards for premarket approval, 510(k) clearance, and De Novo marketing authorization.
- A **Breakthrough Designation Request** (via Q-sub) for a device can be sent at any time before sending a marketing submission.
- Inclusion in the Program is based on meeting statutory criteria
 - We communicate a final decision on the designation request within 60 days
- Reflects our commitment to device innovation and protecting the public health.

September 14, 2023

Updates to the final guidance issued to:

- Clarify how the Breakthrough Devices Program may apply to certain medical devices that promote health equity.
- Clarify considerations in designating devices, including eligible devices that may support innovation of new and existing technologies that address inequities.
- Clarify that the Breakthrough Devices Program may be available for certain non-addictive medical products to treat pain or addiction—consistent with the FDA's obligations under the SUPPORT Act.
- Clarify how the FDA discloses the Breakthrough status of designated devices once they receive marketing authorization.

Breakthrough IVD Devices

>**169** designated **IVD** devices

18 IVD devices authorized to market

- 6** PMAs approved
- 4** 510(k)s cleared
- 8** De Novos granted

*as of October 18, 2023



Advancing Health Equity: Home Use Devices



CDRH is committed to facilitating access to medical devices designed to be safe and effective when used outside of traditional clinical settings, for example, medical devices intended for use in the home



Medical devices intended for consumer use have unique design and validation considerations



**Come talk to us, using our pre-submission program.
Submit novel devices that meet the breakthrough device designation criteria to the
breakthrough program**

Design Considerations for Home Use Devices



Factors to consider while designing and developing a device for home use to minimize unique risks

Environmental Considerations - When designing a home use device, you should account for the range of environments in which it might be stored, transported, and used

- Location
- Contaminants
- Water Supply
- Temperature
- Dampness and Humidity
- Atmospheric Pressure Changes
- Air flow
- Fluid Exposure
- Storage

User Considerations - Home users can have a large range of physical, sensory, and cognitive capabilities and disabilities, and emotional differences that should be considered in your home use device design

- Physical
- Sensory/Perceptual
- Cognitive
- Emotional

Design Considerations - When establishing design controls for home use devices, you should take into account considerations related to device performance and user needs in the home environment

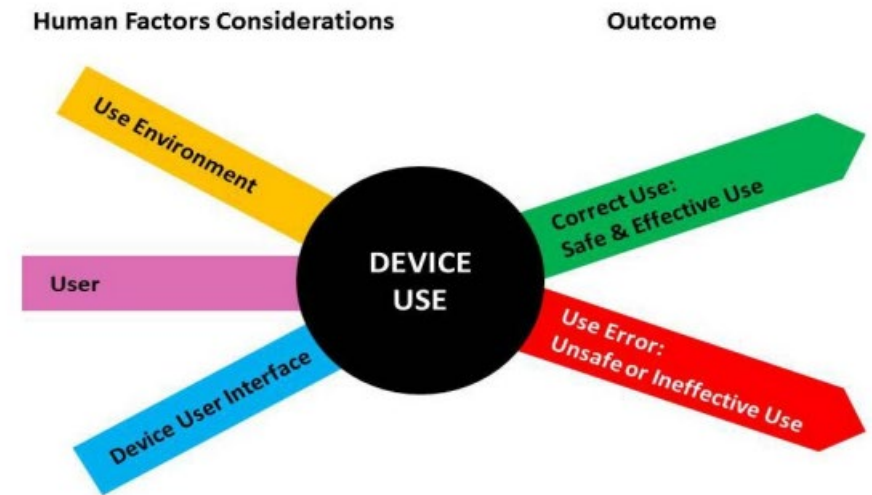
- Lock-out Mechanisms
- Maintenance
- Calibration
- Mechanical
- Electrical Issues

Validation Considerations for IVDs for Home and Consumer Use



Additional validation testing is conducted for IVDs for consumer use:

- Data submitted to demonstrate that the IVDs are safe and effective in the hands of lay users (including sample collection)
- Studies are performed to evaluate how well lay users can understand the instructions without prompting, perform a self-test (and/or collect a sample), and obtain an accurate result
- For IVDs where results are provided directly to lay users, lay user ability to understand the results of the test result is also evaluated
- Flex studies to demonstrate insensitivity to environmental or usage variation, as needed



IVDs for Home and Consumer Use



- Pregnancy tests
- Drugs of abuse tests (e.g., morphine, benzodiazepine, methadone, amphetamine)
- Genetic Health Risk Test System
- Cancer Predisposition Test System
- Pharmacogenetic Assessment Test System
- Continuous glucose monitors
- Automated insulin dosing systems
- Glucose meters
- PT/INR monitors
- Infectious disease tests



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