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Transfer of Appropriate Surveillance

Transfer to BSI under (EU) 2023/607



Background

On 20 March 2023, the Regulation (EU) 2023/607 amending the MDR and IVDR was published in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) with immediate effect. The objective of the amending Regulation is to address the projected imminent risks of shortages of medical devices in EU due to the slower than anticipated transition from the medical device Directives to MDR and IVDR.

The amending Regulation extends the MDR transition timelines while also recognising as valid previously issued MDD/AIMDD certificates for the duration of those longer transition timelines. This allows manufacturers, that meet other specific conditions set out in the amending Regulation, to continue placing their devices on the market based on compliance to the Directives while they continue the transition of their devices to the MDR.

Among the conditions set out in the Regulation (EU) 2023/607, as per MDR Article 120.3(e), the Notified Body that issued the Directive certificate shall continue to be



responsible for the appropriate surveillance in respect of the applicable requirements relating to the devices it has certified, unless the manufacturer has agreed with the Notified Body it signed an MDR written agreement with, that the MDR Notified Body shall carry out such surveillance.

No later than 26 September 2024, the Notified Body with whom the manufacturer signed the MDR written agreement shall be responsible for the surveillance in respect of the devices covered by the MDR written agreement. Where the MDR written agreement covers a device intended to substitute a device which has a certificate that was issued in accordance with MDD or AIMDD, the surveillance shall be conducted in respect of the device that is being substituted.

This leaflet will guide you through the process of transfer of appropriate surveillance from another Notified Body to BSI according to (EU) 2023/607.

Transferring appropriate surveillance to BSI

In cases where the manufacturer has their MDR application with a different Notified Body to the one that issued the Directive Certificate (MDD, AIMDD), the amending Regulation allows the MDR Notified Body to take over the appropriate surveillance of the devices covered by the Directive Certificates issued by the other Notified Body, subject to a transfer agreement between the two Notified Bodies and the manufacturer. **Transfer of appropriate surveillance to the MDR Notified Body (NB) must be completed by 26th September 2024.**

If you have signed a written agreement under MDR conformity assessment with BSI while your legacy devices are covered by a Directive Certificate (MDD, AIMDD) that has been issued by another Notified Body, BSI can take over the appropriate surveillance of your legacy devices. This is subject to a tripartite transfer agreement between the manufacturer, BSI (incoming Notified Body) and the outgoing Notified Body (the Notified Body that issued the Directive certificate).

It is the manufacturer's responsibility to request BSI to transfer the appropriate surveillance of those legacy devices they intend to keep placing on the market.

BSI will not initiate the transfer of appropriate surveillance unless requested by the manufacturer.

If you wish to apply under MDR with BSI and transfer the appropriate surveillance of your legacy devices, contact our sales department as soon as possible: medicaldevices@bsigroup.com

Be sure to contact BSI as soon as possible, to allow sufficient time to process the transfer before the 26 Sept 2024 deadline.





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- **MDR Transition Guidance**
- **2023/607 FAQs**
- **MDR timeline**

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