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## Follow-up on the practical arrangements regarding integrated drug-device combination products

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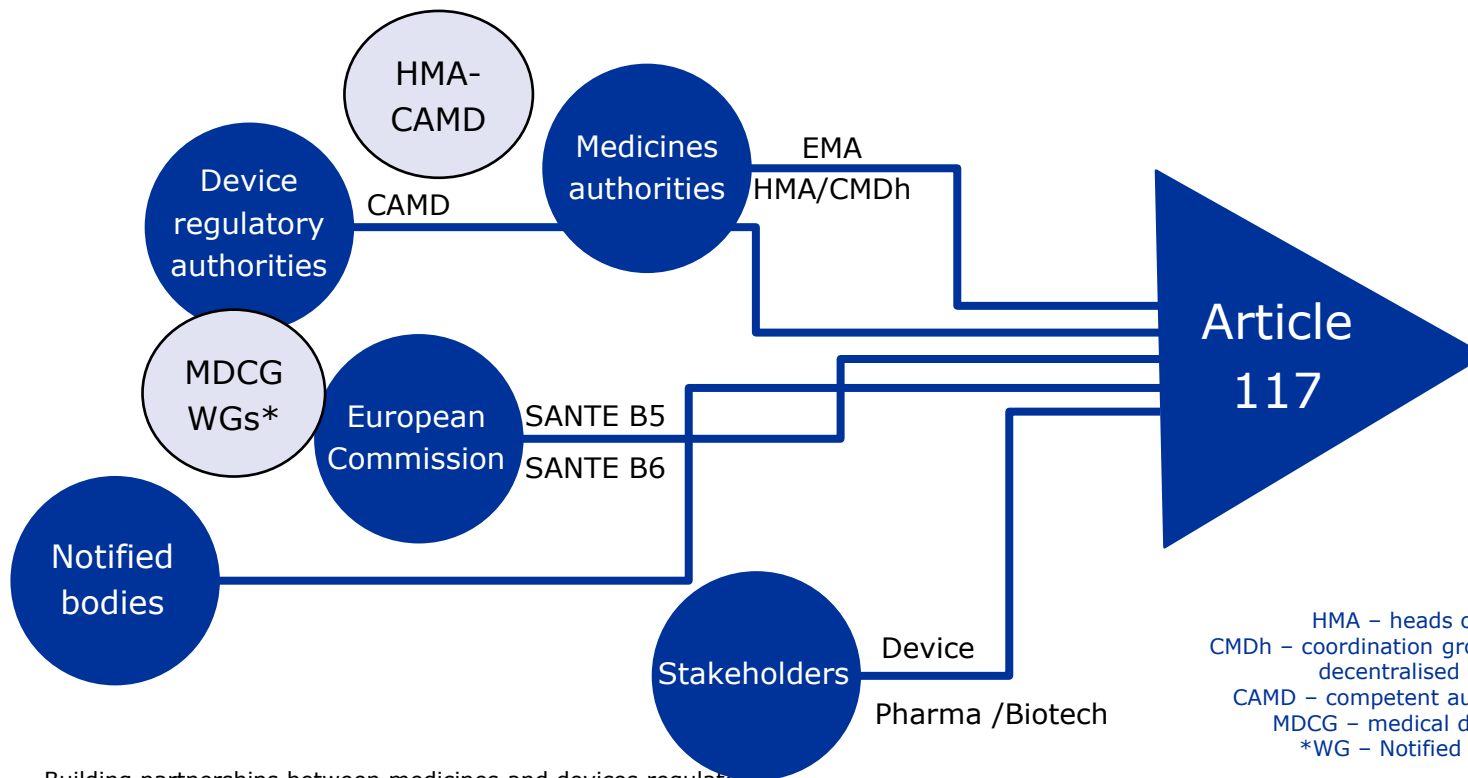
5<sup>th</sup> industry stakeholder platform for R&D support virtual meeting  
16 November 2020

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# Wide-ranging collaborations for implementation



HMA – heads of medicines agencies  
 CMDh – coordination group for mutual recognition and decentralised procedures – human  
 CAMD – competent authorities for medical devices  
 MDCG – medical device coordination group  
 \*WG – Notified Body Oversight (NBO)

# Approach to MDR Article 117 (1/2)



1 29 May 2019  
2 EMA/CHMP/QWP/BWP/259165/2019  
3 Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP)  
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5 Guideline on the quality requirements for drug-device  
6 combinations  
7 Draft

## Core precept:

- EMA/NCAs:** evaluate device specific aspects relevant to the quality, safety and efficacy of the medicinal product
- Notified Bodies:** assess the relevant GSPRs

2 5th industry stakeholder platform



21 October 2019 Rev.1  
EMA/37991/2019  
Human Medicines Evaluation Division

Questions & Answers on Implementation of the Medical  
Devices and In Vitro Diagnostic Medical Devices  
Regulations ((EU) 2017/745 and (EU) 2017/746)

- Revised set of Q&As under review and discussion with EC/NBO
- Further updates in progress



# Approach to MDR Article 117 (2/2)



The European Association  
Medical Devices - Notified Bodies

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## Team-NB Position Paper

on Documentation Requirements for Drug Device Combination Products

Falling in the Scope of Article 117 of MDR 2017/745.

## EBE-EFPIA Position Paper

**An Industry Perspective on Article 117 of the EU Medical Device Regulation: Labelling Requirements for Prefilled, Non-Reusable, Integral Drug-Delivery Device Combination Products**

Date: 8 August 2019

## EBE-EFPIA Reflection Paper

**An Industry Perspective on Article 117 of the EU Medical Devices Regulation and the Impact on how Medicines are Assessed**

Version 1 of 12 July 2018

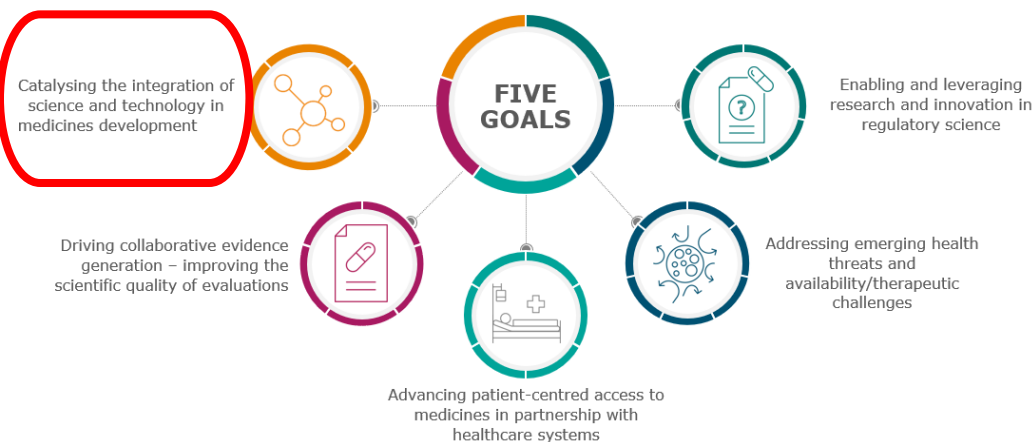
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## Ongoing guidance development within MDCG Subgroups – October 2020\*

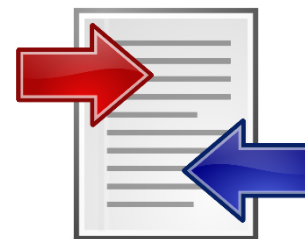
*\*This is not an exhaustive list of ongoing work performed by MDCG subgroups*

Scope	Group Deliverables	Consult prior to MDCG**	Planned MDCG Endorsement	Additional Comments
<i>** Stakeholders are observers in 13 MDCG subgroups and are consulted on a regular basis; further to that other MDCG subgroups are consulted as indicated</i>				
<b>1. Notified Bodies Oversight (NBO)<sup>1</sup></b>				
MDR + IVDR	Q&A on requirements notified bodies –new questions to be added to MDCG 2019-6	Notified bodies	2020	
MDR + IVDR	Q&A related to MDCG 2020-4		2020	
MDR+IVDR	Updates of guidance documents and templates on the designation and re-assessment process	Notified bodies	2021	
MDR + IVDR	Updates of guidance documents and templates on qualification and authorisation of personnel	Notified bodies	2021	
MDR + IVDR	Guidance on Certifications according to Article 16 MDR/IVDR)		2021	Jointly with the Market Surveillance WG
MDR	Guidance on appropriate surveillance according to Article 120(3)		2021	
MDR	Guidance on NB opinions on the conformity of the device part according to Article 117 MDR	B&C		

## RSS 2025



## Unified actions



## EMANS 2025



- ❑ Strong alliances with experts from medical device authorities and others (Member States, European Commission, EMA, industry associations).
- ❑ Better understanding of medical device regulation and their mechanism of actions

# Next steps

- ❑ **EMA virtual half-day workshop 27 Nov 2020**
  - ➔ Focus on Article 117 implementation
- ❑ **EMA guidance:**
  - further Q&A updates in agreement with EC/MDCG/MS
  - QWP/BWP guideline anticipate finalisation soon
- ❑ **EC-NBO taskforce on combination products**
- ❑ Progress RSS / joint network strategy to 2025

## EMA's mission

Protect human and  
animal health



Stimulate  
and  
foster EU Innovation

**Continue dialogue with all involved stakeholders**

# Thank you for your attention

## Further information

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