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***FAST BREAK:***

***CHANGES IN WASHINGTON –  
IMPACT ON FDA AND MEDICAL  
DEVICES***

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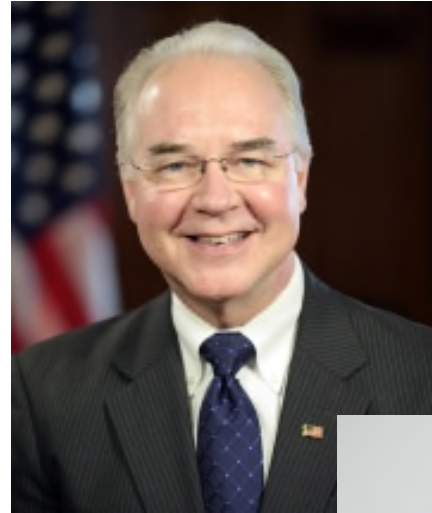
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# Changes in Washington

- Leadership transition
- New administration efforts on regulatory and agency reform
- Changes directly impacting FDA/HHS
- Medical device update

# Leadership Changes

- HHS Secretary Tom Price confirmed and sworn in Feb. 10, 2017
- FDA Commissioner
  - Robert Califf resigned on Jan. 20
  - Scott Gottlieb sworn in as FDA Commissioner May 11, 2017



## **SECTION 01**

# **NEW ADMINISTRATION EFFORTS ON REGULATORY REDUCTION AND REFORM**

# Broad Efforts for Regulatory Reform

- Executive Orders and Memos
  - Presidential Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies: Regulatory Freeze Pending Review (Jan. 20)
  - Presidential Memorandum Regarding the Hiring Freeze (Jan. 23) (lifted Apr. 12)
  - Executive Order on Reducing Regulation and Controlling Regulatory Costs (Jan. 30)
  - Executive Order on Enforcing the Regulatory Reform Agenda (Feb. 24)
  - Executive Order on a Comprehensive Plan for Reorganizing the Executive Branch (Mar. 13)

# Regulatory Freeze

- Requires agencies to put a hold on issuing new regulations until President Trump appoints a new department or agency head
- Includes final rules, ANPR, NPR, notices of inquiry, and guidance documents
- OMB Director can allow exemptions for “emergency situations or urgent circumstances related to health, safety, financial, or national security matters or otherwise.”

# Hiring Freeze

- Applies to hiring of all “Federal civilian employees across the board in the executive branch”
  - OMB to “recommend a long-term plan to reduce the size of the Federal Government’s workforce through attrition”
  - Hiring freeze to remain in effect until implementation of the OMB plan
- Agency heads may exempt positions deemed “to meet national security or public safety responsibilities”
- OMB Director also can grant exemptions
- Not clear whether FDA will get exemptions based on:
  - Public health and safety reasons
  - User fee funding for new personnel
- Lifted on April 12; OMB produced a report outlining a plan for reduction in the civilian workforce.

# Regulatory Reduction - “1 in, 2 out”

- Executive Order 13771
- No new regulations will be promulgated unless two are repealed
- “Regulation” is broadly defined and appears to include guidance documents
- Applies only to “significant regulatory actions”
- OMB Director can grant exemptions



# Enforcing Regulatory Reform Agenda

- Executive Order 13777
- Requires head of each agency to designate an agency official as its Regulatory Reform Officer
- RRO will oversee implementation of regulatory reforms, including EO 13771
- Establishes a Regulatory Reform Task Force at each agency, chaired by the RRO, which shall:
  - Evaluate existing regulations and make recommendations regarding their repeal, replacement, or modification
  - Provide reports to the agency head on implementation of regulatory reform initiatives and identifying regulations for repeal, replacement or modification

# Comprehensive Plan for Reorganizing the Executive Branch

- Executive Order 13781
- Directs OMB Director to “propose a plan to reorganize governmental functions and eliminate unnecessary agencies, . . . , components of agencies, and agency programs.”
- Requires the head of each agency to submit a proposed reorganization plan to OMB Director within 180 days
- OMB Director also to request public comments via Federal Register notice
- OMB Director to submit plan to the President within 180 days after closing of comment period

**SECTION 02**

**CHANGES DIRECTLY  
IMPACTING FDA/HHS**

# Changes Directly Impacting FDA/HHS

- 21st Century Cures
- User Fee Legislation
- White House Budget
- American Health Care Act

# 21st Century Cures

- 21st Century Cures
  - New funding for research
  - Expedited review pathways
  - Larger role for patient experience data and real world evidence
  - Reduced regulatory burdens in certain areas (e.g., medical-related software, dissemination of health care economic information, combination products)

# FDARA and User Fee Legislation

- FDA Reauthorization Act of 2017 (FDARA) (S. 934)
  - Includes User Fee Legislation
    - User fees are set to expire at the end of September 2017
    - New user fees for *de novo* applications
  - FDA and industry continue to support the agreements
  - Senate HELP Committee passed FDARA May 11 and sent to the Senate floor
    - The draft includes language requiring risk-based inspections of medical device facilities, regulatory changes regarding contrast agents used with imaging systems, and the OTC sale of certain hearing aids.
    - The current discussion draft did not include language addressing lab-developed tests.
  - House Energy and Commerce Health Subcommittee passed similar FDARA/user fee language May 18

# AHCA and White House Budget

- White House Budget
  - Further emphasizes plan for a “major reorganization of the Executive Branch”
  - Decreases funding to HHS by \$12.6 billion or 16.2%
  - Doubles FDA’s medical product user fees to over \$2 billion for 2018
  - Reduces NIH spending by \$5.8 billion to \$25.9 billion
  - Includes funds to implement the 21st Century Cures Act
- American Health Care Act
  - No direct provisions impacting FDA
  - Includes repeal of OTC medication tax, medical device excise tax, tax on Rx medications
  - Passed by the House of Representatives on May 4

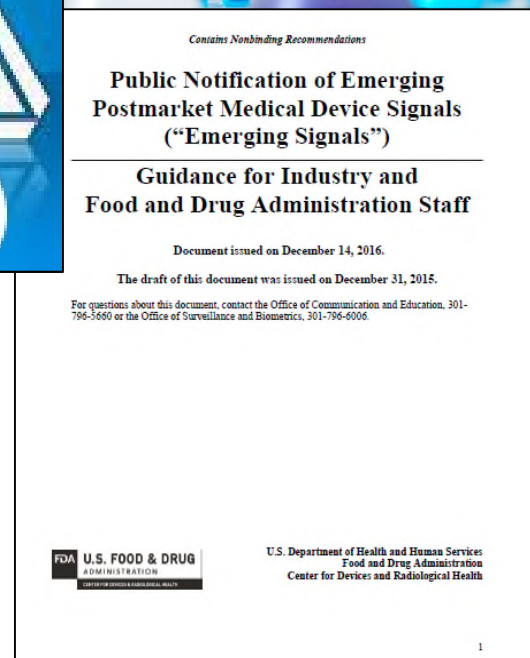
**SECTION 03**

# **MEDICAL DEVICE UPDATE**



# Recent Developments – Medical Devices

- Laboratory Developed Tests
- Exemptions from 510(k) requirements
- Emerging Signals



# Recent Developments – Medical Devices

- Cybersecurity
- De Novo Requests
- Medical Device Accessories



***De Novo* Classification Process  
(Evaluation of Automatic Class III  
Designation)**

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**Draft Guidance for Industry and  
Food and Drug Administration  
Staff**


*DRAFT GUIDANCE*

This guidance document is being distributed for comment purposes only.  
Document issued on: August 14, 2014

You should submit comments and suggestions regarding this draft document within 90 days of publication in the *Federal Register* of the notice announcing the availability of the guidance. Submit written comments to the Division of Dockets Management (HFA-403), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852; electronic comments to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Identify all comments with the number listed in the notice of availability that publishes in the *Federal Register*.

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When final, this document will supersede "New Section 513(f)(2) Evaluation of Automatic Class III Designation, Guidance for Industry," CDRH Staff" dated February 19, 1998.



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# Thanks!



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