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Work Group 4 Post-Market Work Progress Report

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Updates (1)

- No. of WG members: **17** (excluding chair and co-chair)
 - **3** from **Regulatory Authorities** (Hong Kong, Korea and Saudi Arabia)
 - **14** from **Industry** (Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong, Korea, Malaysia and Singapore)



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Updates (2)

■ Activities

- Review of WG4 work plan & identification of work tasks in 2017
- Formation of 3 task teams each working on a 2017 work task
- WG telecons held on 11 May and 26 Oct 2017
- Presentation of WG4 work and SADS at APEC Harmonization Centre Medical Device Vigilance Workshop in Seoul in Sep 2017
- Progress summary on WG4 matters for WG members (23 Dec 2016, 11 Jan, 20 Feb, 22 May, 24 Jul, 22 Sep & 31 Oct 2017)





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Work Plan 2015 – 2017 (1)

Priority	Work Item	Deliverables	Timeline
1	Review and update the existing WG4 guidance documents on Adverse Events (AE) Reporting	Revised Guidance Document	2016 (completed)
2	Review the Safety Alert Dissemination System (SADS)	Review Report	2015 (completed)
3	Arrange Post-market Surveillance (PMS) Training	Training Sessions	2015 (completed)
4	Develop guidelines on Adverse Events (AE) reporting details for specific type of devices	Guidelines	2016 (completed)
5	Review and update the existing WG4 guidance documents on SADS	Revised Guidance Documents	2016 (completed)





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Work Plan 2015 – 2017 (2)

Priority	Work Item	Deliverables	Timeline
6	Develop guidance document for Adverse Event Trending based on GHTF documents	Guidance Document	2016/2017 (Withdrawal)
7	Develop guidelines on proper handling of medical devices after complaint and AEs	Guidelines	2016/2017 (Withdrawal)
8	Conduct a post-market survey (including both reportable AEs and FSCAs)	Survey Report	2017 (to be completed)
9	Identify post market systems (AE or safety alert) or guidance from various regulatory authorities and web sources	Hyperlinks for sharing to be provided at the AHWP website	2016 (completed with on-going updates)



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WG4 Progress Update

since last AHWPTC Meeting in Mar 2017 (Hong Kong)

No.	Work Item	Status	Achievements	Timeline
1	Conduct a post-market surveillance system survey	Completed	Completion of survey report and results presented at the AHWPTC Workshop and reported at the AHWPTC Meeting	2017
2	Analyze global and local adverse event reporting practices	Completed	Results reported at the AHWPTC Meeting	2017
3	Update the post-market resource centre	Completed with on-going updates	The hyperlinks of the post-market resource centre updated and submitted to Secretariat for sharing at the AHWP website	on-going from 2016





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Post-market Survey (1)

■ Scope

- ❑ Post-market surveillance system implemented in different jurisdictions

■ Objective

- ❑ Provide information on the latest development of post-market controls in different jurisdictions
- ❑ Three fundamental elements will be covered in the survey:
 - ① Adverse Event Reporting
 - ② Product Recall
 - ③ Field Safety Corrective Actions (FSCA)





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Post-market Survey (2)

■ Survey Method

- The survey was conducted during July – September 2017
- Questionnaire was prepared in both hard copy and online version and sent out to AHWP primary representatives (26 AHWP members) via AHWP Secretariat
- Representatives from other jurisdictions were also reached out for returns in different occasions during the period (Australia, Europe, Germany, Japan, Papua New Guinea, Peru and USA)



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Post-market Survey (3)

■ Survey Results

- 20 survey returns received from **13 AHWP member economies** and **7 non-AHWP jurisdictions**
 - ◆ **AHWP member economies** – Abu Dhabi, Chile, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong SAR, Indonesia, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Malaysia, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand and Yemen
 - ◆ **Non-AHWP Jurisdictions** - Australia, Europe, Germany, Japan, Papua New Guinea, Peru and USA





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Post-market Survey (4)

■ Survey Results (Cont'd)

- Highlights of the survey shared during the session “**Post-market Surveillance of Medical Devices - How far have we gone towards Harmonization?**” at the TC workshop
- Details available in the AHWP Document “**AHWP Post-Market Surveillance (PMS) Survey Report 2017**”





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Analysis on AE Reporting Practices (1)

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Analysis on AE Reporting Practices (2)

■ Analysis Roadmap





Analysis on AE Reporting Practices (3)

■ Project Objective

- **Assess** Post-Market reporting **framework** across jurisdictions globally, **provide analysis and considerations** on common practices. This provides an **information platform** for member economies to **identify best practices for their system.**

Please fill in accordingly:

* Member Economy

* Organization

* Contact Person

* Contact E-mail

On-Line Survey Form

* Q1. Are medical device regulatory controls currently legislated in your jurisdiction?

Yes

No (Please select i or ii or iii)

i. Currently there is no medical device regulatory controls

ii. But plans underway for legal regulations (estimated effect date of the medical device legislation: Please specify the number of years in the box provided below)

iii. But there is a voluntary regulatory system and plans underway for legal regulations (estimated effect date of the medical device legislation: Please specify the number of years in the box)

Please specify:



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Analysis on AE Reporting Practices (4)

■ Background

- Total survey response: 20














- Fully implemented AE reporting: 13
 - >10 years of mandatory AE reporting: 7
 - <10 years of mandatory AE reporting: 6

- Analysis based on 13 countries' data, countries represented by letters, which do not correspond to country names



Analysis on AE Reporting Practices (5)

- If a country requests global AE data, the same country also performs AE trending ?

	Performs AE Trending	Does NOT Perform AE Trending
Request Global AE data	A*, B*, C*, E*, I     	-
Request Regional AE data	-	F, J, K   
Request Local AE data	G*, H*, M, L*    	D 

Legend:



Majority manufacturer



Majority importer

Based on 13 Responses

* Agencies that have implemented AE reporting for >10 years



Analysis on AE Reporting Practices (6)

■ **What** is AE Trending?

- Trend analysis, obtained by calculating and observing **rates of events over time**, can **identify significant changes that suggest new problems** (or, if improving, that safety measures are working). Trends can also be detected using statistical control methodologies. These assist a particular organization in discerning whether its own trends when **compared with benchmarks**, are attributable to what is known as “special cause” variation, rather than stemming from normal process fluctuations.

Sources:

WHO Draft Guidelines for Adverse Event Reporting and Learning Systems, 2005





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Analysis on AE Reporting Practices (4)

- **Why** do AE Trending?
 - Presents a **new piece of information** about a device or its **performance in a clinical setting**
 - May indicate **underlying change in the performance** of the device or in its use by clinicians, patients or other customers.

Sources:

GHTF SG2 - Manufacturer's Trend Reporting of Adverse Events - January 2003





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Analysis on AE Reporting Practices (5)

■ How to do AE Trending?

$$\text{Observed Incidence (\%)} = \frac{\text{Number of events (n)}}{\text{Used product volume in the market (by clinicians / patients) (d)}} \text{ calculated for each } t$$

- **Baseline** – risk analysis, dependability & reliability testing, historical data, medical and scientific publications
- **Threshold** – upper value of the normal range of variation that specifies the trending (depends on product category)

Source: GHTF SG2 - Manufacturer's Trend Reporting of Adverse Events - January 2003





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Analysis on AE Reporting Practices (6)

■ Number of Officers vs Number of AE Reports and AE Trending

Number of AE reports received annually

	<100		100-800			3,000-5,000		~50,000
< 10	I	M	L*	J	D	C*	K	
10-25							G*	
25-50								B*
50-100							E*	
>100								

Number of officers

Legend:
 no AE trending
 AE trending
 Global reporting

Only 10 Valid Responses

*Agencies that have implemented AE reporting for >10 years



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Analysis on AE Reporting Practices (7)

■ **Best Practice** (for consideration): Local Reporting → Trending

Local Report

Ref. agency
trend info.

Local Analysis

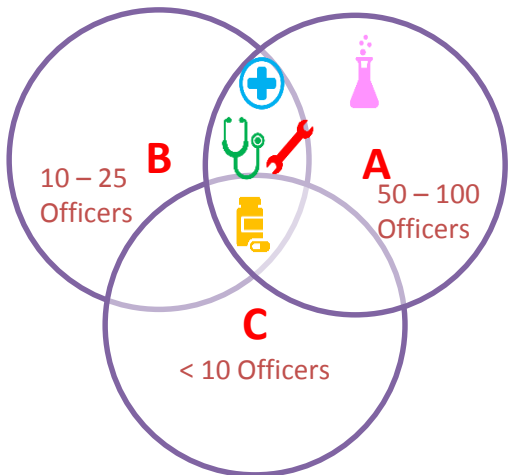
The screenshot shows the FDA website's 'Medical Devices' section. The '2017 Safety Communications' link is highlighted with a red box. Below it, there are several news items related to medical device safety communications.

1. Target audiences
2. Product Details
3. Purpose of communication
4. Summary of problem
5. Recommendation to users & patience
6. FDA Activities

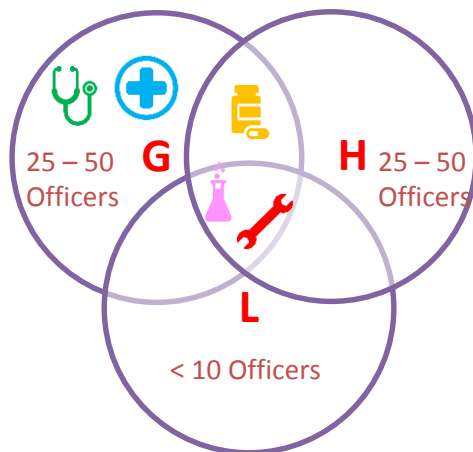
Analysis on AE Reporting Practices (8)

- Education/professional backgrounds of the officers involving in AE

Global Reporting + Trending



Local Reporting + Trending



Legend:



Pharmacist



Medical Practitioner



Nurse



Engineer



Scientist

Scope: 6 Valid Responses; Agencies that have implemented AE reporting for >10 years



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Analysis on AE Reporting Practices (9) - Conclusion

- Reference for planning for regulatory framework (i.e manpower & capability)
- Smart regulation
 - ✓ Balancing resources with critical needs
 - ✓ Leveraging on work done by reference agencies
- Risk-based regulation, allows patient access to safe and quality products while NOT introducing unnecessary regulatory burden to stakeholders.





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Thank You

