

Regulatory Updates on Medical Devices in Japan

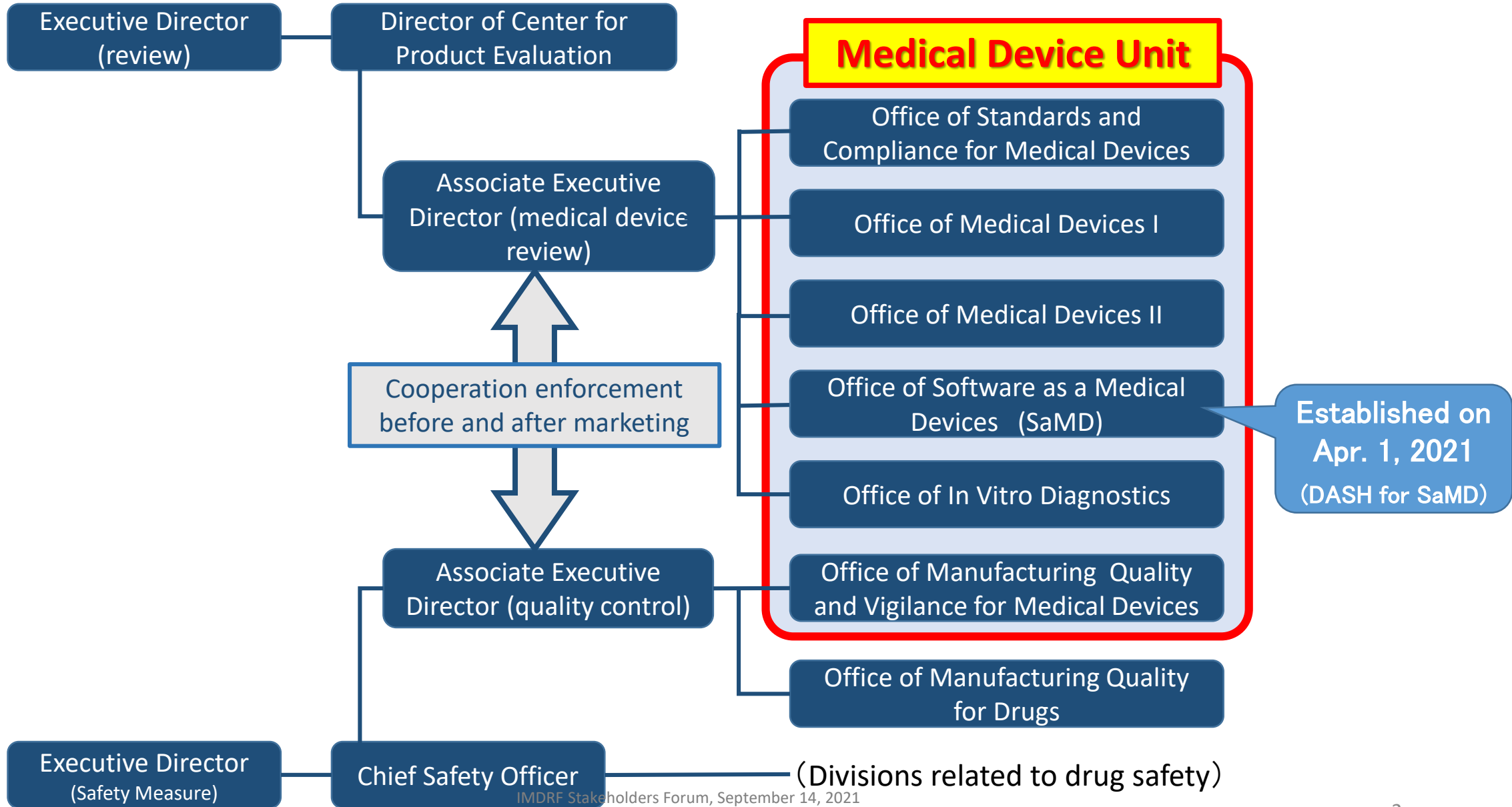
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What is Software as Medical Device (SaMD) ?

Previous legislation



program which determines performance of medical device

install



Medical device
(tangible object including software)



Current legislation



program which determines performance of medical device

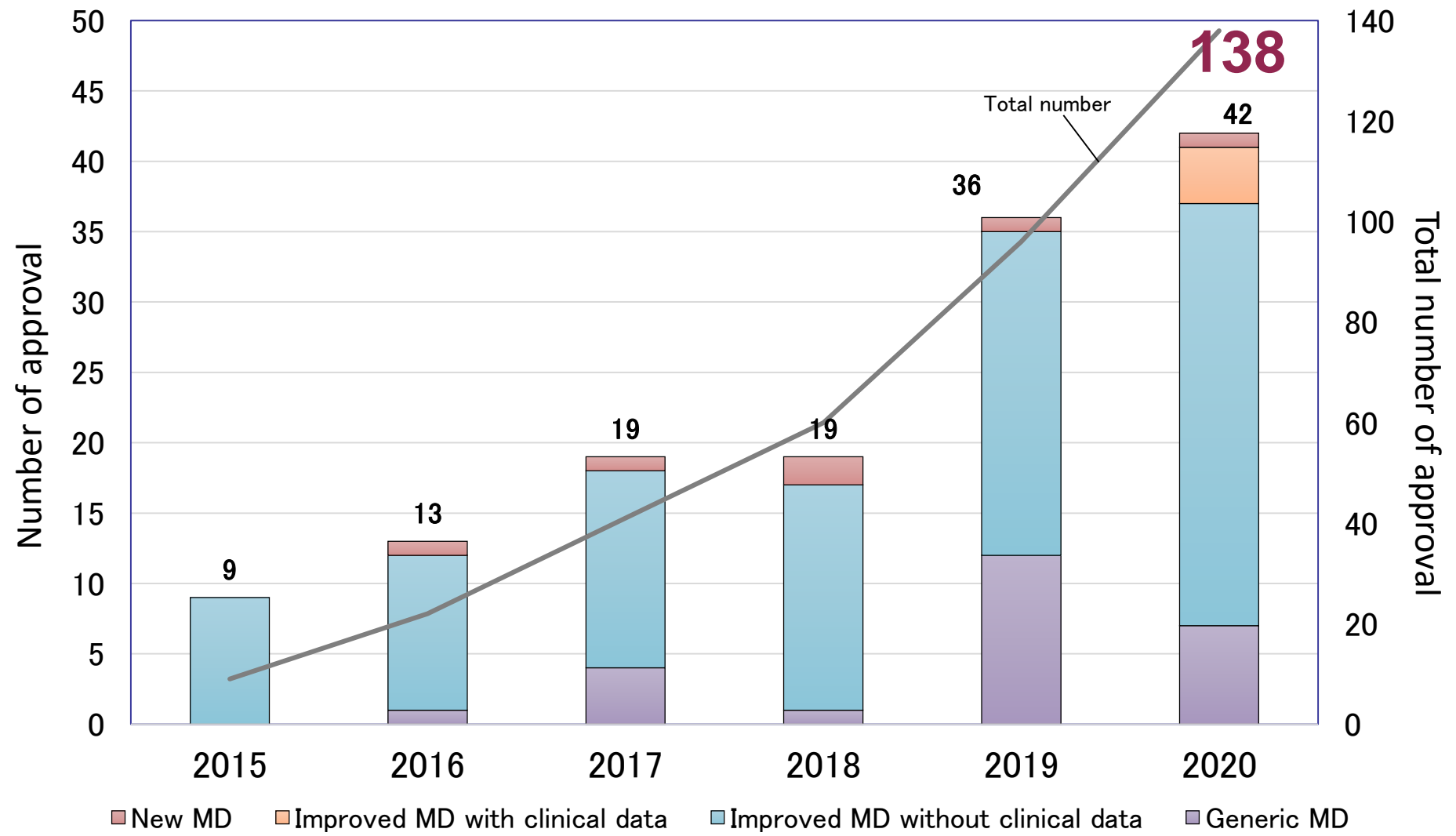
Medical device (software only)

install



MD software classified as **Class I** is **NOT** subjected to regulations on PMD-Act

Number of approved SaMD



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1. Early grasp of research seeds and publication of the review policy

- a. Grasp research seeds in the early stage of development
- b. Organize and Publish the review policy based on characteristics of SaMD

3. Review system based on characteristics of SaMD

- a. Carry out efficient review based on characteristics of SaMD
- b. Utilize the Post-Approval Change Management Protocol (PACMP/IDATEN) scheme
- c. Consider establishing the innovative SaMD designation system

2. Unification of the consulting contact point

- a. Unify consultation service
- b. Publish consultation case examples as many as possible

4. Enhanced structure for early realization

- a. Establish new office which specialized in reviewing SaMD in PMDA and MHLW
- b. Establish an expert examination committee for SaMD in the Pharmaceutical Affairs and Food Sanitation Council
- c. Establish a collaborative forum among regulator, academia and industry
- d. Enrich published database of approval cases

Thank you for your attention!

