

Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency

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To Addressees as separately listed

Office of Safety I, Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency

Office of Safety II, Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency

Reorganization of the Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency

As a result of a reorganization (hereinafter, the "Reorganization"), the names and functions of various organizational components of the Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency (PMDA) overseeing safety measures pertaining to pharmaceuticals, medical devices, *in vitro* diagnostics, and cellular and tissue-based products will be changed as stated in the Appendix.

Notifications issued prior to the Reorganization by the Directors of the Offices of Safety I and II will remain effective as issued by the directors of the corresponding organizational components after the Reorganization unless new notifications are separately issued by such directors.

Names of organizational components and job titles stated in notifications issued prior to the Reorganization will be revised to reflect the Reorganization in future amendments. Until such time, the pre-Reorganization titles and names of organizational components shall be regarded and treated as representing corresponding post-Reorganization titles and names of organizational components.

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(Appendix)

1. Amended names of organizational components

Prior to the Reorganization	After the Reorganization
(until December 31, 2018)	(as of January 1, 2019)
Office of Safety I	Office of Informatics and Management for
	Safety
Planning and Management Division, Office of	Planning and Management Division, Office
Safety I	of Informatics and Management for Safety
Safety Reports Management Division, Office of	Safety Reports Management Division, Office
Safety I	of Informatics and Management for Safety
Risk Communication promotion Division,	Risk Communication promotion Division,
Office of Safety I	Office of Informatics and Management for
	Safety
International Information Group, Risk	International Information Group, Risk
Communication promotion Division, Office of	Communication promotion Division, Office
Safety I	of Informatics and Management for Safety
Consultation Group on Pharmaceuticals and	Consultation Group on Pharmaceuticals and
Medical devices, Risk Communication	Medical devices, Risk Communication
promotion Division, Office of Safety I	promotion Division, Office of Informatics
	and Management for Safety
Medical Safety Information Group, Medical	Medical Safety Information Group, Risk
Device Safety Division, Office of Safety I	Communication promotion Division, Office of
	Informatics and Management for Safety
Medical Device Safety Division, Office of	Division of Safety for Medical Devices,
Safety I	Office of Manufacturing Quality and Vigilance
	for Medical Devices
Office of Safety II	Office of Pharmacovigilance I
	Office of Pharmacovigilance II

2. Assignment of functions related to safety measures after the Reorganization

Names of organizational	Operations assigned
components	
Office of Pharmacovigilance	· Safety measures related to drugs other than those
1	assigned to the Office of Pharmacovigilance II
	· Safety measures related to quasi-drugs and cosmetics
Office of Pharmacovigilance	Safety measures related to antibacterial drugs, chemotherapy

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drugs, antineoplastic drugs, blood products, biological
preparations, respiratory tract drugs, anti-allergy drugs
(excluding dermatological drugs), sensory organ drugs (for
inflammatory diseases only), radiopharmaceuticals
(concerning only those products intended for diagnosing
relevant diseases associated with the medicines under the
oversight of the Office of Pharmacovigilance II), diagnostic
agents (concerning only those products intended for
diagnosing relevant diseases associated with the medicines
under the oversight of the Office of Pharmacovigilance II), and
cellular and tissue-based products
Safety measures related to medical devices Note1)
· Safety measures related to in vitro diagnostics
Medical safety of pharmaceuticals and medical devices

^{Note 1)} Including activities related to the receipt of reports from marketing authorization holders (MAHs) regarding medical devices and device parts that constitute the medical device components of combination products.

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