

# Challenges and Achievement: Japanese Regulatory View

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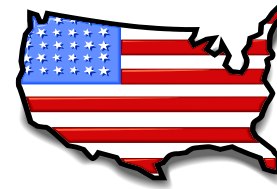
# What is the burdens for development of pediatric medical devices?

We have done a questionnaires about development of pediatric medical devices to industries in the Japan and U.S. through HBD for children activities.

Japan



USA



“*Small market*” is majority opinion.

Variety of opinions are expressed.

- Development cost
- Clinical trial
- Application and approval
- Designing of device

# Measures to meet unmet medical needs in Japan

2006

- **Program for requesting medical devices with high clinical needs** started in 2006

- **Application with a clinical evaluation report** started in 2008 (Notification by MHLW, No. 0804001)

2013

- **Support program for medical device used for treatment of orphan disease** started in 2013

- **New Ministerial Ordinance for Enforcement of the Act on Securing Quality, Efficacy and Safety of Pharmaceuticals, Medical Devices, Regenerative and Cellular Therapy Products, Gene Therapy Products, and Cosmetics** in 2014

- **Scientific advisory board** about pediatric medical devices was held in 2014-2015

- **SAKIGAKE Designation System** started in 2015

- **Fast-break scheme for innovative medical devices** started in 2017

- **Subsidization program** for application of pediatric medical device started in 2019

2019

# Fast-break scheme for innovative medical devices

	Original	Fast-break scheme
Clinical data which is submitted when the device is applied	a prospective clinical trial under GCP or clinical evaluation report	Reliable clinical data (GCP trial is not always necessary)
Review term	12 months (if brand-new medical device)	—
Post-marketing surveillance	If need	Necessary
<b>Collaboration with academic society</b> at the post-marketing phase	If need	Necessary
<b>Increase facilities by stages for safety use</b> of the medical device at the post-marketing phase	If need	Necessary

The program was legalized in the Pharmaceutical and Medical Device Act last month!

***Collaboration between regulatory, clinicians and manufactures is necessary!***

# Subsidization program

Very new!

## ◆ Target devices

A medical device for treatment of pediatric or congenital disease which was selected by a program for requesting medical devices with high clinical needs

## ◆ Subsidization

*MHLW subsidizes maximum 90% of a regulatory application fee of pediatric medical devices.*

*(The fund is limited.)*

The program just started in September 2019!!

# Significance of the HBD-for-children activity

**Scientific sessions related in the activity were held in following conferences!**



Activity of HBD-for-children has been globally recognized.

# Significance of the HBD-for-children activity

The collaboration among regulatory, industry, and academia in both Japan and U.S.A has made it easier to conduct global clinical trials.

***First Japan-US global clinical trial of pediatric medical device started!***

## **The Harmony™ TPV system (Medtronic, Inc)**

Self-Expanding Stent Graft  
Porcine Pericardial Tissue Valve





# Significance of the HBD-for-children activity



*Title: “Research project for promotion of early development of pediatric medical devices”*

## **1. Finding issues and solutions of clinical trials in the pediatric field**

- Capturing the issues around Japan-US clinical trial of pediatric medical devices and proposing the solutions by the following actions
  - Questionnaire to pediatricians and industries
  - Clarifying the burdens
  - Proposal for the solutions to the challenges
- Finding similarities and differences of GCP inspection processes between Japan and USA by observing the GCP inspection by FDA and PMDA each other

## **2. Utilization of real world evidence**

- Proposing requirements for utilization of real-world-data of pediatric medical devices by the following actions
  - Hearing survey from registries of Japan-US
  - Investigation past experiences of using registry data for regulatory use
  - Measuring for assuring minimum quality and quantity of registry data



# Goal of the research project

## *Making suggestions for effective development*

### **1. Streamlining the process of clinical trial**

- Infrastructure development of clinical trial
- Efficient GCP inspection for global clinical trial

### **2. Utilization of registry database**

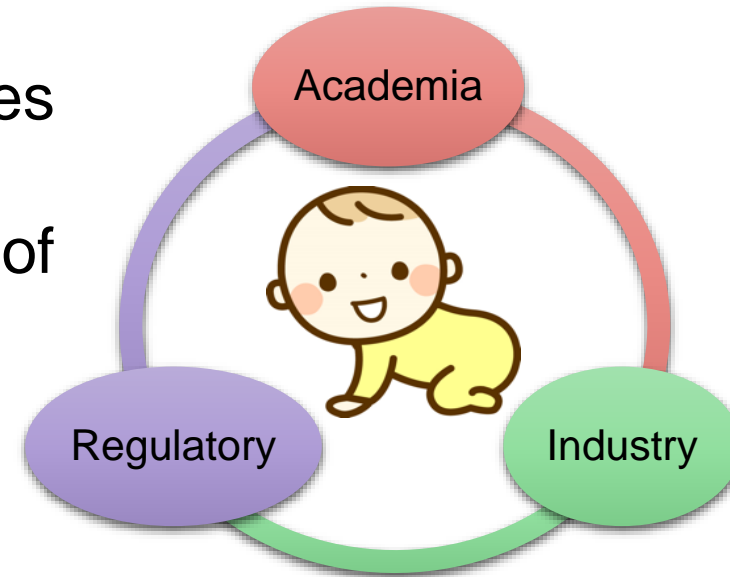
- Use for post-marketing surveillance
- Continual organizational operation of registry

### **3. Proposal for consistent rational evaluation methods for pre- and post-marketing of pediatric medical devices**

# Conclusion

- Japanese regulatory carried out some enforcement of policies to support the development of pediatric medical devices .
- On the issue of funds, Japanese regulatory remits the 90% of fee for review and inspection.
- HBD-for-children activity contributes to the development of pediatric medical devices by supporting the Japan-US global clinical trial.
- Research project related in the activity has started.

***We will continue to seek a possibility of global clinical trials of pediatric medical devices and utilization of real-world evidence for an early approval of pediatric medical devices in the Japan and U.S..***



**Please join the HBD-for-children activities for the happiness of children!**

# Thanks for your kind listening!

Please contact me or HBD secretariat, if you have any questions.

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**Let's continue to think about highly feasible measures together by sharing information through industry-regulatory-academia and conducting frank discussions.**