

US-JAPAN

HBD EAST Think Tank Meeting 2025

Date: Wednesday, September 17th, 2025, 9:30 AM- 6:00 PM (JST)

Venue: Sapporo Convention Center (<https://www.sora-scc.jp/eng/access.html>)

Language: English & Japanese (simultaneous interpretation)

Moderator: **IWAMOTO Shin, NORO Erika (PMDA)**

Session		Chair	Agenda items	Times	Speakers and Panelists
A	Welcome 9:30-9:55		(A-1) From MHLW	5	NOMURA Yumiko <i>Director, Medical Device Evaluation Division, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW)</i>
			(A-2) From PMDA	5	NAKAI Kiyohito <i>Chief Safety Officer, Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency (PMDA)</i>
			(A-3) From FDA	5	Michelle Tarver , <i>Center Director, the Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH), U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA)</i>
			(A-4) From JFMDA	5	MIYATA Masahiko <i>Vice Chairman, The Japan Federation of Medical Devices Associations (JFMDA)</i>
			(A-5) From AdvaMed (AMDD)	5	Janet Trunzo <i>Senior Advisor to the President, Senior Executive Vice President, Technology & Regulatory Affairs, AdvaMed</i>
B	Keynote lecture 9:55-10:30	Robert Thatcher (Diaxamed, LLC), KATAYAMA Hiroshi (National Cancer Center Hospital)	(B-1) Japanese initiatives to promote medical device development	15	SUZUKI Yuka (Clinical Research, Innovation and Education Center, Tohoku Univ. Hospital (CRIETO))
			(B-2) HBD history and global lessons learned	15	Mitchell Krucoff (Duke Univ.)
			(B-3) Q&A	5	
C	Update on HBD activities 10:35-10:45	UCHIDA Takahiro (Sanamed, Inc.)	(C-1) Update on HBD activities (2020 – 2025)	10	NAKAGAWA Makoto (PMDA)
Break (15min)					
D	HBD activities to advance pediatric device development and access 11:00-12:10	YASUKOCHI Satoshi (Aizawa hospital), Nicole Ibrahim (Mansfield Fellow)	(D-1) HBD for Children - Achievements and future directions	10	SASAGAWA Kaoru (PMDA)
			(D-2) Considerations in Japanese academia in advancing pediatric medical device development: Insight from Japan's Agency for Medical Research and Development	10	FUJII Takanari (SHOWA Medical Univ. Hospital)
			(D-3) Japanese research projects and regulatory initiatives to promote pediatric/orphan medical device access	10	ANDO Mariko (MHLW)
			(D-4) What else is needed to advance pediatric medical device development? Industry perspective	10	Dali Alarian (Renata Medical)
			(D-5) Panel discussion: Breaking barriers: Driving cross-sector collaboration and increased global access	30	Speakers & Sung-Hae Kim (Shizuoka Children's Hospital) SUZUKI Yuka (CRIETO) Eric Chen (Abbott Medical) Nicole Gillette (FDA) TAKAHASHI Sara (MHLW)

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Lunch Break (60 min)					
E	HBD activities to advance smart development of SaMD 13:10-14:20	IKENO Fumiaki (Stanford Univ.), KOIKE Kazuhisa (PMDA)	(E-1) Regulatory updates: Japan	10	KOIKE Kazuhisa (PMDA)
			(E-2) Regulatory updates: US	10	Ken Cavanaugh (FDA)
			(E-3) Initiatives to support the expansion of Japanese medical devices into overseas markets: Japanese ministry perspective	10	TAKAYAMA Masumi (Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry)
			(E-4) Considerations in international development of digital health technologies	10	TADA Tomohiro (AI Medical Service Inc.)
			(E-5) Panel discussion: Global strategies to accelerate SaMD development: perspectives from industry, academia, and government	30	Speakers & IKEDA Koji (CRIETO) OTAKE Masanori (GE HealthCare Japan)
F	Challenges and solutions when building multi-national registries 14:25-15:35	IWAMOTO Shin (PMDA), Kenneth Cavanaugh (FDA)	(F-1) The current situation and future direction of utilization of real-world clinical evidence for regulatory decision-making	10	SHIBA Takeshi (PMDA)
			(F-2) Experiences with regulatory use of registry data: Industry perspective	10	IWAISHI Chie (Edwards Lifesciences)
			(F-3) Consideration and future opportunities identified through the utilization of real-world evidence	10	Aaron Lottes (Purdue Univ.)
			(F-4) Deciding whether a registry should go global: Japanese academic perspective	10	NAKAMURA Masato (Toho Univ.)
			(F-5) Panel Discussion: Opportunities for further global alignment of real-world evidence collection and application	30	Speakers & YOKOI Hiroyoshi (Fukuoka Sanno Hospital) Misti Malone (FDA) YASUHARA Daiki (Medtronic JAPAN)
Break (15min)					
G	Shaping forward-looking collaboration among stakeholders for more efficient global medical device development 15:50-17:10	Mitchell Krucoff (Duke Univ.), YABANA Naoyuki (PMDA)	(G-1) Addressing key bottlenecks in global medical device development: challenges and strategic solutions	10	SENSHU Kazuhisa (Terumo Corporation)
			(G-2) Lessons from success: Rethinking collaboration among stakeholders in medical device innovation	10	IKEDA Koji (CRIETO)
			(G-3) Initiatives to accelerate medical device access: US regulatory perspective	10	Kenneth Cavanaugh (FDA)
			(G-4) Initiatives to accelerate medical device access: Singapore regulatory perspective	10	Lai Peng LOW (Health Sciences Authority, Singapore)
			(G-5) Panel discussion: Envisioning global collaboration in medical device development - a 10-year outlook from industry, academia, and government	40	Speakers & IKENO Fumiaki (Stanford Univ.) MORIKAWA Satoshi (Boston Scientific Japan) NAKAI Kiyohito (PMDA) Rolf Oberlin Hansen (Danish Medicines Agency)
H	Closing remarks			5	YABANA Naoyuki (PMDA)