

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)

Session	Chair	Agenda items	Times	Speakers and Panelists
A Welcome 9:30-9:55		From MHLW	5	NOMURA Yumiko <i>Director, Medical Device Evaluation Division, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW)</i>
		From PMDA	5	FUJIWARA Yasuhiro <i>Chief Executive, Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency (PMDA)</i>
		From FDA	5	TBA U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA)
		From JFMDA	5	MIYATA Masahiko <i>Vice Chairman, The Japan Federation of Medical Devices Associations (JFMDA)</i>
		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		Japanese initiatives to promote medical device development	15	SUZUKI Yuka (Clinical Research, Innovation and Education Center, Tohoku Univ. Hospital (CRIETO))
		HBD history and global lessons learned	15	Mitchell Krucoff (Duke Univ.)
		Q&A	5	
C Update on HBD activities 10:35-10:45		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 (FDA)	HBD for Children - Achievements and future directions	10	SASAGAWA Kaoru (PMDA)
		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)
		Japanese regulatory initiatives to promote pediatric/orphan medical device access	10	ANDO Mariko (MHLW)
		What else is needed to advance pediatric medical device development? Industry perspective	10	Dali Alarian (Renata Medical)
		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)
Lunch Break (60 min)				
E HBD activities to advance smart development of SaMD 13:10-14:20	IKENO Fumiaki (Stanford Univ.),	Regulatory updates: Japan	10	KOIKE Kazuhisa (PMDA)
		Regulatory updates: US	10	Ken Cavanaugh (FDA)
		Initiatives to support the expansion of Japanese medical devices into overseas markets: Japanese ministry	10	TAKAYAMA Masumi (Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry)

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		KOIKE Kazuhisa (PMDA)	perspective		
			Considerations in international development of digital health technologies	10	TADA Tomohiro (AI Medical Service Inc.)
			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)	The current situation and future direction of utilization of real-world clinical evidence for regulatory decision-making	10	SHIBA Takeshi (PMDA)
			Experiences with regulatory use of registry data: Industry perspective	10	IWAISHI Chie (Edwards Lifesciences)
			Consideration and future opportunities identified through the utilization of real-world evidence	10	Aaron Lottes (Purdue Univ.)
			Deciding whether a registry should go global: Japanese academic perspective	10	NAKAMURA Masato (Toho Univ.)
			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)	Addressing key bottlenecks in global medical device development: challenges and strategic solutions	10	SENSHU Kazuhisa (Terumo Corporation)
			Lessons from success: Rethinking collaboration among stakeholders in medical device innovation	10	IKEDA Koji (CRIETO)
			Initiatives to accelerate medical device access: US regulatory perspective	10	Kenneth Cavanaugh (FDA)
			Advancing medical device development through multinational collaboration	10	TBA
			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) Health Sciences Authority EU regulator
H	Closing remarks			5	YABANA Naoyuki (PMDA)