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Submitted to Consultation: Improved sharing of information about medical devices | Proposed amendments relating to transparency of disruptions to supply of a medical device
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Introduction

About you

What is your name?:

[REDACTED]

What is your email address?:

[REDACTED]

Are you responding as an individual or on behalf of an organisation?

I am responding on behalf of an organisation. This means I am authorised by the organisation to convey its views, and I am only providing those views in the response.

If you are responding on behalf of an organisation, what is the name of the organisation that you represent?

Please enter your organisation name:

[REDACTED]

Select one (or more if applicable) of the stakeholder groups that best describes you or your organisation:

Other (please specify below)

Specify 'Other' in the box below:

[REDACTED]

Privacy and Personal Information

I CONSENT: to my response being published but no identifying data.

Have you provided consent but there are particular questions you don't want us to publish?:

The TGA is aware that Artificial Intelligence (AI) may be used to assist in preparing responses to this consultation. It is a respondent's responsibility to ensure the accuracy of their response.

I acknowledge that I am responsible for reviewing and confirming the accuracy and completeness of my submission, accepting full responsibility for its content. I may have used AI in preparing my response; where AI has been used, I confirm that the content has been reviewed and confirmed by me.

Questions 1 and 2

1 Do you agree that the TGA should release information about medical devices for the purpose of managing shortages or disruptions to supply?

Yes

a. Please explain your answer (optional):

The TGA should release information as soon as an issue is verified as real, then the next step is to engage stakeholders to gain context and quantify. This is purely about risk mitigation and patient care as fast as possible. Any delay to this process, given we are a complex and lengthy supply chain into Australia, is irresponsible and unacceptable.

2 Should the information be released publicly or be limited to specific stakeholders only?

No

a. Please explain your answer (optional):

It should not be released publicly as this information is for a specific audience that can quantify, act and inform other stakeholders accordingly.

Questions 3 and 4

3 If we do not make information about disruptions to supply of a medical device publicly available, do you agree that information about supply disruptions should be released to the stakeholders outlined above?

Yes

a. Please explain your answer (optional) :

Currently happens in Medical disruption meeting with all states attending and the quality of information sharing, risk mitigation, and finding alternative supplies is valuable.

4 Do you have any concerns regarding the proposal for releasing information about disruptions to supply for a medical device?

No

a. Please explain your answer (optional):

Questions 5, 6 and 7

5 Do you agree it is appropriate for the TGA to release the information identified above in the event of a disruption to supply of a medical device?

Yes

a. Please explain your answer (optional):

6 Should sponsors of medical devices impacted by disruption to supply be provided with a notice of intent and offered an opportunity to comment on the release of the information?

No

a. Please explain your answer (optional):

I don't think they should as they may not be 100% transparent or as helpful as they should for public interest.

7 Please provide any further feedback or comments you have regarding proposals to collect and share information about disruption to supply of a medical device.

Please provide any further feedback in this field.: