



Welcome to your March 2024 edition of GMDN Focus.

## HOW STRATA DECISION TECHNOLOGY IS USING THE GMDN TO IMPROVE COST ANALYSIS SPEED FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

In the first of a series of case studies showing GMDN use cases, we published a guest blog from Strata Decision Technology, co-authored by Strata employees, Ron Iller, Senior Director of Product Management and Tim Cleary, Consulting Manager and Solution Architect, Data & Intelligence Services.

The blog focused on how Strata Decision Technology is using the GMDN to improve cost analysis speed for healthcare providers.

To read the full blog click [here](#).



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## **GMDN AGENCY ATTENDS 25TH SESSION OF THE IMDRF**

Our CEO, Deniz Bruce represented the GMDN Agency at the 25th Session of the International Medical Device Regulators Forum, held this month in Washington DC.

She said: "GMDN is the leading nomenclature for medical devices worldwide, providing a single common language for medical device Regulators, Manufacturers, Healthcare Providers and other industry stakeholders. The GMDN Agency continues to be committed to supporting the IMDRF in its aims of supporting regulatory reliance implementations and global harmonisation."



## GMDN AGENCY PUBLISHES BLOG ON THE IMPORTANCE OF RELIANCE

Our Chair of the GMDN Agency Board of Trustees, John Wilkinson, has written a blog about the importance of Reliance within medical device regulation. This follows on from key themes discussed at the 25th Session of the International Medical Device Regulators Forum, held in Washington DC this month.

You can read the full blog [here](#).



“Reliance was always there and is never far from the surface when there are major public health incidents to deal with.

These events may range from pandemics like Covid-19 or global vigilance incidents such as the PIP breast implant fraud or the poor outcomes from the use of metal-on-metal hip implants.”

- JOHN WILKINSON, CHAIR OF THE GMDN AGENCY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

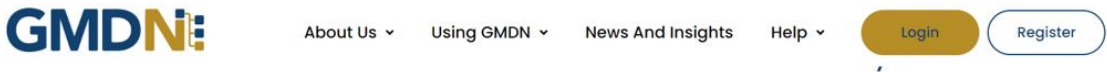
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**GMDN RELEASES UPDATED USER GUIDES FOR ALL MEMBERSHIP TYPES**

The GMDN Agency has updated all its User Guides for each different membership type. The User Guides are now each self-contained in one document per membership type making them easier to access and containing hyperlinks to each section for ease of use.

You can view our updated User Guides and other training material at our training portal [here](#)



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FAQ OF THE MONTH

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## **GMDN AGENCY'S "FAQ OF THE MONTH"**

**Q:** Can we put the GMDN Names, Definitions or Codes on the product packaging?

**A:** No, the GMDN is not intended to be on the packaging for several important reasons. The definitions are in depth, the GMDN is published in over 25 languages, and it would take up too much space on the packaging. Also, these technical descriptions are subject to change over time as new medical innovations become available and are therefore dynamic in nature.

You can see our full list of **Frequently Asked Questions** at this [link](#).

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## **GMDN UPDATE**

In February, there were 51 new or amended Terms added to the GMDN.

[Find out why Terms need amending and how we update the GMDN.](#)

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