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WHO AND **GMDN** AGENCY SIGN AGREEMENT IN SUPPORT OF GLOBAL HARMONISATION

The World Health Organization (WHO) and the Global Medical Device Nomenclature (GMDN) Agency announce a new collaboration that will improve the management and safety of medical devices used around the world.

The landmark new relationship will initially see the WHO using 3,000 GMDN Terms, Codes and Definitions within its online medical device information platforms such as the MeDeVIS (Priority Medical Devices Information System), an open access WHO electronic database of Medical Devices.

You can find more information about this announcement [here](#).



“Our new collaboration with the World Health Organization represents a significant breakthrough for patients around the world.

With full access to the GMDN, the WHO now has use of the GMDN nomenclature system for medical devices, enabling safer and more effective patient care.”

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– DENIZ BRUCE, CEO OF THE GMDN AGENCY

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GMDN AGENCY AND PARTNERS RECEIVE INNOVATE UK FUNDING TO RESEARCH POST-MARKET MEDICAL DEVICE INTELLIGENCE

The GMDN Agency alongside several partners including Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust have today announced a funding award from Innovate UK, part of UK Research and Innovation, to research improvements in capturing post-market medical device intelligence to improve patient safety within the UK.

The partners have been funded as part of a six-month discovery phase on a project called, transforming post-market intelligence to safely accelerate medical device innovation and adoption.

The project lead is Dr Emmanuel Akinluyi. He is a Deputy Chief Medical Officer and the Chief Biomedical Engineer at Guy's & St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust. He is also a Consultant Clinical Scientist holding doctorates in Healthcare System Design and is the Head of Methodology & Deputy Director of an NIHR HealthTech Research Centre.

You can read further details on the discovery phase funding [here](#).



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SOUTH AFRICAN FOUNDED COMPANY DISCOVERY SHOWCASE HOW USING GMDN BENEFITS THEIR WORK

South African founded company, Discovery, has operations across the globe. They use their pioneering shared-value insurance model to achieve their purpose to make people healthier and to enhance and protect their lives.

Lucinda Mnisi, Risk Manager, at Discovery in South Africa explains in this [video](#) how they are using the GMDN to support this purpose.



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GMDN AGENCY AND NHS SUPPLY CHAIN ANNOUNCE COLLABORATION AGREEMENT

NHS Supply Chain and the Global Medical Device Nomenclature (GMDN) Agency have announced a new collaboration.

The new relationship means NHS Supply Chain will benefit from full access to the GMDN Database and dataset.

The GMDN is a requirement when registering medical devices with the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) so they can be lawfully placed on the UK market, and NHS Supply Chain are using the GMDN to ensure that the products they transact are compliant.

For more information on this announcement visit this [link](#).



NEW SOFTWARE DEVELOPER JOINS GMDN AGENCY TO IMPROVE DIGITAL OFFERING

The Global Medical Device Nomenclature (GMDN) Agency has welcomed Jayapradha Jayaraj as the newest member of the Agency's team.

Jayapradha brings more than eight years of IT experience and project management skills to her new role.

She holds a first-class master's degree in computer application and has worked with leading global IT companies, collaborating with diverse teams to deliver robust software solutions.

For more information on this appointment visit this [link](#).



"I'm excited to meet the rest of the GMDN Team and to get to work helping to improve our digital offering for our members and being able to support the GMDN Agency in furthering its goal of a globally harmonized medical devices nomenclature."

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- JAYAPRADHA JAYARAJ, SOFTWARE DEVELOPER AT THE GMDN AGENCY

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GMDN AGENCY'S "FAQ OF THE MONTH"

Q: What is the GMDN Agency?

A: The GMDN Agency is a registered UK charity and non-profit organisation responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the GMDN Database. The GMDN Agency is a wholly UK based organisation with no subsidiaries, franchises or licenced entities outside of the UK. The Agency was established to provide Health Authorities and Regulators, Healthcare Providers, Manufacturers and others with a system that allows an exchange of medical device information and supports patient safety.

Our vision is: To provide a single common language for all medical technology, and for it to be adopted by medical device Regulators, Manufacturers and other participants in healthcare systems worldwide.

Our mission is: To be the global leader in naming, describing and unambiguously identifying medical devices for the protection of patients.

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

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