

Welcome to your June 2023 edition of GMDN Focus.

## **GMDN GUIDANCE FOR FINDING ALTERNATIVE TERMS FOR OBSOLETE TERMS**

Following the United States FDA's request that labellers review their GUDID entries to ensure they are using accurate, active, non-obsolete GMDN Term Codes in preparation for the release of the GMDN Term Code field in AccessGUDID.

The GMDN Agency have released guidance on how to identify Alternative Terms for Obsolete Terms in the GMDN Database. The instructions can be accessed at this [link](#).

The full FDA announcement can be read [here](#).



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## MHRA EMBEDS GMDN IN PUBLIC ACCESS REGISTRATION DATABASE

The UK's Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) embeds Global Medical Device Nomenclature (GMDN) in Public Access Registration Database (PARD) for Enhanced Medical Device Regulation.

Dr Laura Squire, MHRA Chief Healthcare Quality & Access Officer, said: "Our work with the GMDN Agency to strengthen PARD will give us better data about medical devices on the market and enable us to improve our understanding of their relative safety and performance.

"More consistent data across MHRA systems and the wider health and social care system will be to the benefit of patients and users of medical devices."

Full details can be found [here](#).

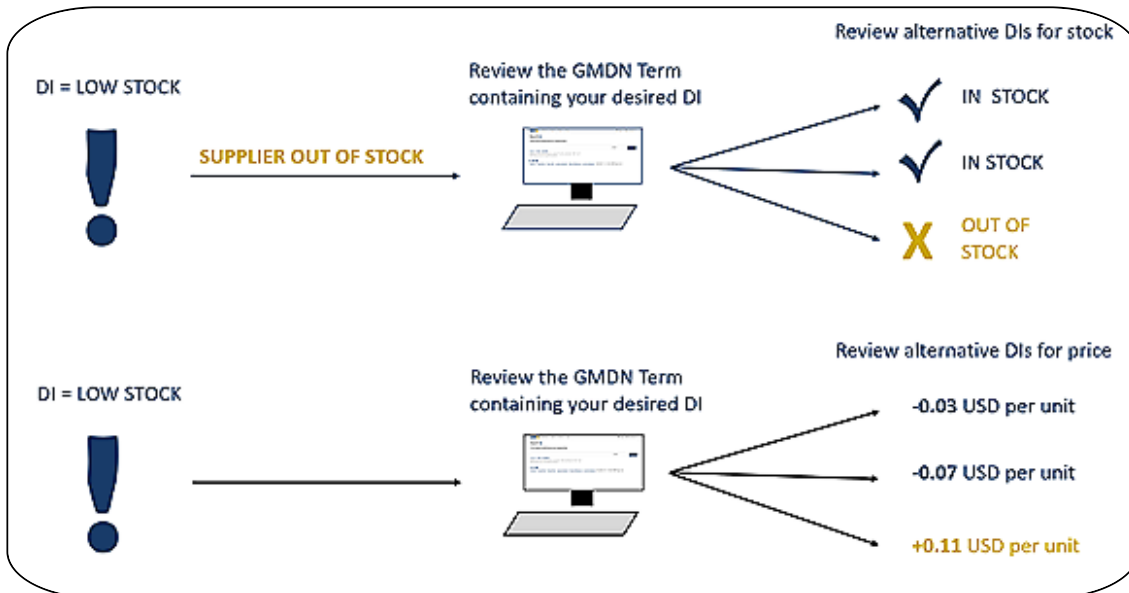


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## USE CASES OF THE GMDN

Huw Owen, Nomenclature Developer, at the GMDN Agency has published an article on the use cases of the GMDN. Including procurement and tendering, inventory management, post market surveillance and safety signal detection.

The full article can be read [here](#).



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## GMDN AGENCY ATTENDS THE MEDTECH FORUM 2023

Colleagues from The GMDN Agency attended the MedTech Forum 2023 event in Dublin

The GMDN Agency Chair, John Wilkinson, Senior Nomenclature Developer and Quality Lead, Chinaniso Majoni and Senior Communications Manager, Paul Wadsworth, attended The MedTech Forum in Dublin last week (30 May – 1 June).

At the event they talked to the Agency's existing stakeholders and engaged with new ones highlighting the important work of the GMDN AGENCY (Global Medical Device Nomenclature Agency) and the benefits of a harmonised medical device nomenclature.

View the full article [here](#).



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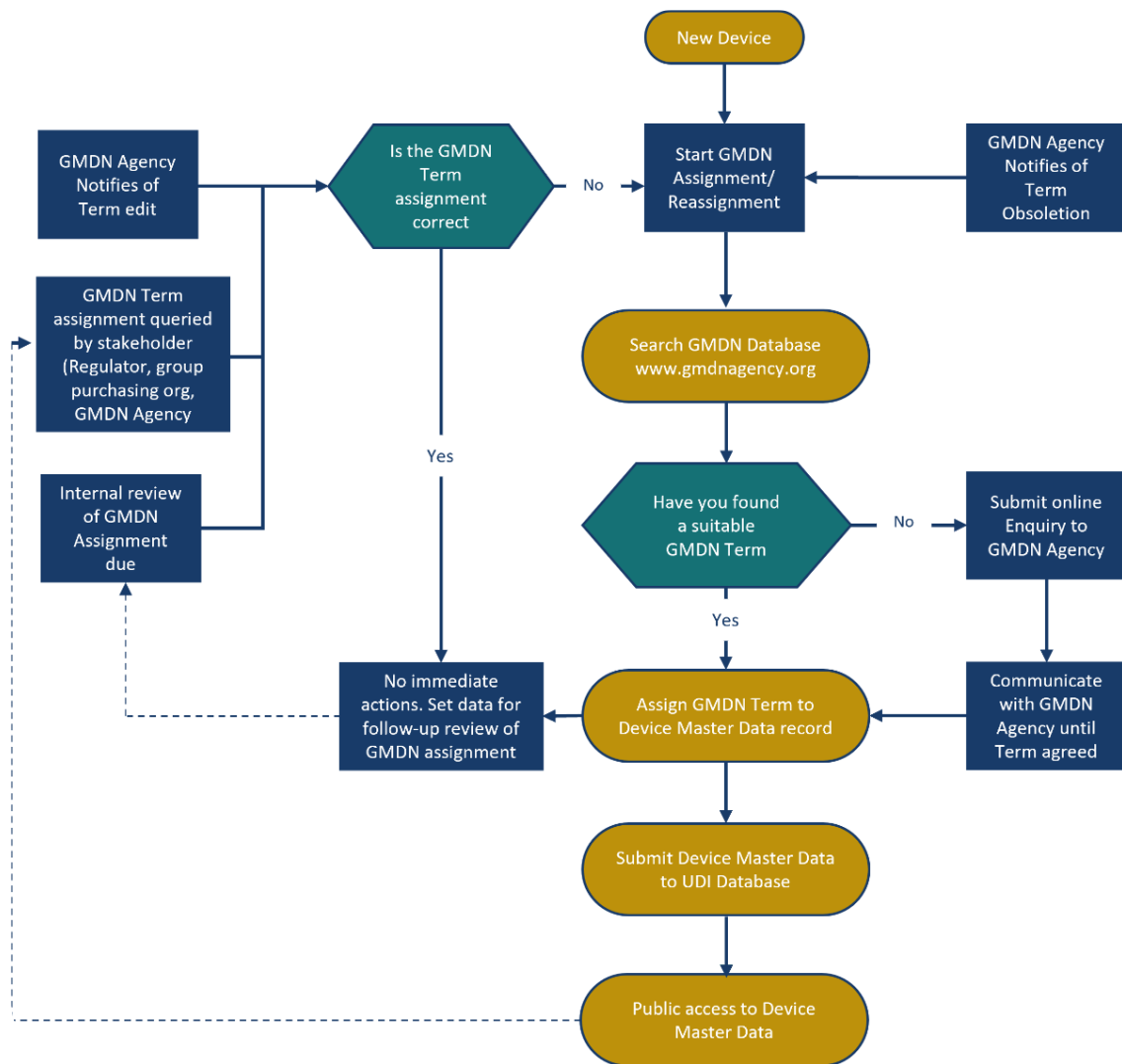
## **GMDN "CODE OF GOOD PRACTICE" FOR MANUFACTURERS**

Last month we told you we had created a Code of Good Practice for Manufacturers that use the GMDN.

We believe that Manufacturers that adopt our Code of Good Practice and embed it within their organisations will see improvements in their experience and use of the GMDN.

We have now produced a useful flowchart and guidance for Manufacturers to support their implementation of our Code of Good Practice.

It can be downloaded at this [link](#).



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## GMDN UPDATE

In May, there were 57 new or amended Terms added to the GMDN.

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

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