

## ***Pediatric Device Innovation Symposium***

Children's National Health System in Washington, D.C., will hold its 7th Annual [Pediatric Device Innovation Symposium](#) on Sunday Sept. 22, in Boston. The symposium, held in conjunction with AdvaMed's MedTech Conference, will address issues related to pediatric device development, regulatory processes, device clinical trials and gaps in pediatric healthcare innovation. The event will include the \$150K "Make Your Medical Device Pitch for Kids!" competition funded by the National Capital Consortium for Pediatric Device Innovation (NCC-PDI).

## ***FDA offers De Novo guidance***

Manufacturers asking FDA to accept their De Novo classification request for new medical devices can find final guidance from the agency on the [FDA website](#). The De Novo process provides a pathway to classify novel medical devices for which general and/or special controls provide reasonable assurance of safety and effectiveness for the intended use, but for which there is no legally marketed predicate device.

## ***Medical device tax likely to stay on ice***

It's highly unlikely the 2.3% medical device tax will be reinstated in the near future, reports the Health Industry Distributors Association. Congress had extended a moratorium on the 2.3% tax on device manufacturers' sales until Jan. 1, 2020, but logistical mechanisms directing the federal budget process will make full repeal politically challenging, according to HIDA. The tax, first levied in 2013, was intended to help fund insurance for individuals under the Affordable Care Act. It has been on hold since January 2016.

## ***Innovative Technology Exchange***

IMDA members: Tell your manufacturer partners who are interested in showcasing their innovative technology to hospital decision-makers that Nov. 22 is the deadline to apply to participate in the [2020 Vizient Innovative Technology Exchange](#), which will take place the week of March 30 to April 3, 2020, in Las Vegas. The Innovative Technology Exchange offers up to 100 selected suppliers the opportunity to connect with hospital decision-makers to discuss and demonstrate how their technology improves clinical outcomes, enhances safety or drives incremental improvements to healthcare delivery or business models.