

# MDR: Medical Device Reports

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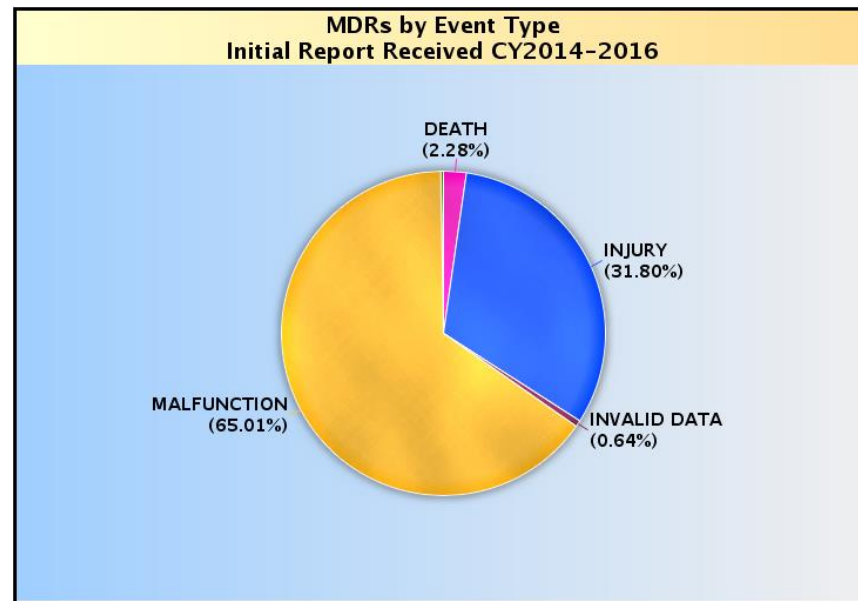
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# Objectives

- Overview of MDR data
- Understanding Reporting Requirements
- How MDRs can be submitted
  - Discussion of MDR form fields
- MDRs and Universal Device Identifiers (UDI)
- Description of available MDR resources, including publicly available data

## MDRs by the numbers (Received CY2014-2016)

- Receive ~700k initial reports & ~300k follow up reports per year
- ~98 percent of reports are received from the manufacturer



# What is reportable?

21 CFR Part 803.3(o) states a MDR reportable event is:

- An event that user facilities become aware of that reasonably suggests that a device has or may have caused or contributed to a death or serious injury or
- An event that manufacturers or importers become aware of that reasonably suggests that one of their marketed devices:
  - May have caused or contributed to a death or serious injury, or
  - Has malfunctioned and that the device or a similar device marketed by the manufacturer or importer would be likely to cause or contribute to a death or serious injury if the malfunction were to recur.

# Manufacturer & Importer Reporting

## Summary of Mandatory Reporting Requirements for Manufacturers and Importers

REPORTER	WHAT TO REPORT	REPORT FORM #	TO WHOM	WHEN
<b>Manufacturers</b>	30 day reports of deaths, serious injuries and malfunctions	<a href="#">Form FDA 3500A *</a>	FDA	Within 30 calendar days of becoming aware of an event
	5-day reports for an event designated by FDA or an event that requires remedial action to prevent an unreasonable risk of substantial harm to the public health	<a href="#">Form FDA 3500A *</a>	FDA	Within 5 work days of becoming aware of an event
<b>Importers</b>	Reports of deaths and serious injuries	<a href="#">Form FDA 3500A *</a>	FDA and the manufacturer	Within 30 calendar days of becoming aware of an event
	Reports of malfunctions	<a href="#">Form FDA 3500A *</a>	Manufacturer	Within 30 calendar days of becoming aware of an event

\* Or electronic equivalent

Source: “Mandatory Reporting Requirements: Manufacturers, Importers and Device User Facilities”; [www.fda.gov](http://www.fda.gov)

# User Facility Reporting

## Summary of Mandatory Reporting Requirements for User Facilities

REPORTER	WHAT TO REPORT	REPORT FORM #	TO WHOM	WHEN
User Facility	Device-related Death	Form FDA 3500A	FDA & Manufacturer	Within 10 work days of becoming aware
User Facility	Device-related Serious injury	Form FDA 3500A	Manufacturer. FDA only if manufacturer unknown	Within 10 work days of becoming aware
User Facility	Annual summary of death & serious injury reports	Form FDA 3419	FDA	January 1 for the preceding year

Source: "Mandatory Reporting Requirements: Manufacturers, Importers and Device User Facilities"; [www.fda.gov](http://www.fda.gov)

- ✓ Distributors are required to maintain records but not report
- ✓ Anyone (including healthcare professionals, patients, caregivers and consumers) can submit a MDR voluntarily

# How Are MDRs Submitted?

- Manufacturers and importers are required to submit MDRs electronically (as of 8/13/2015)
- User facilities have the option of submitting electronically or via paper reports.
- Voluntary reports can be submit via MedWatch (FDA's Safety Information and Adverse Event Reporting Program). It can be accessed via [fda.gov](https://www.fda.gov) or mobile app (Android/iOS).

# Form 3500A

- Most reports are submitted via this form
- Submitters are encouraged to read the instructions and definitions/descriptions of the form elements
  - “Consistency” and “content” should be considered when completing
    - Consistency Example- Brand name is entered in a consistent manner over time for all applicable reports
    - Content Example- Fields such as event problem codes, event description and manufacturer narrative accurately and completely capture event
- Numerous resources are available on [fda.gov](https://www.fda.gov) that can provide additional insight and best practices.



# MDRs and UDI

- Unique Device Identifier (UDI) designed to adequately identify devices through distribution and use
- Now part of Form 3500A (not currently on Form 3419)
- UDI should be entered on MDR report for applicable devices
- See *Unique Device Identifier System: FAQ Vol. 1* or “Compliance Dates for UDI Requirements” on [fda.gov](https://www.fda.gov) for more information

## Publicly Available MDR data

- Publicly releasable MDR Data between 1984 and present available on [fda.gov](https://www.fda.gov) via zip files, as well as an online search option. Updated monthly.
- Another option is the OpenFDA Adverse Event API, which is updated weekly. There are many examples that can be found online using this API.

## Recommended Guidance Documents

- *Medical Device Reporting for Manufacturers*  
(updated 11/8/2016)
- *Questions & Answers about eMDR-Electronic Medical Device Reporting*
- *Medical Device Reporting for User Facilities*

# Questions?