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# WHO WE ARE

Founded in 1999 by Vera Rosas, the Group has 4 companies, with the Headquarter located in São Paulo.



Consultancy company specialized in product registration, company legalization, pre-inspections, inspections, to help companies to obtain Certification of Good Manufacturing Practices required by ANVISA.



Brazilian registration holder for Medical, Cosmetic and Sanitizing Products. Company fully licensed before Brazilian Health Authorities and provides technical and operational support to international companies seeking to operate in the Brazilian market.



It is an importer and manufacturer prepared to assist small and medium-sized companies by offering solutions regarding manufacturing\*, import, nationalization, storage and distribution of the Health Products and Cosmetics.



Satellite office located in the United States to deliver technical and operational support to International companies targeting the Brazilian market.

*Manufacturing\* (class I and II products)*

# VERA ROSAS GROUP



## Technical Team:

- Pharmacists and Biomedical Professionals with more than 10 years of experience, highly qualified and committed team to meet the most diverse needs of national and international clients.



## Expertise Areas:

- Health Products (Consumables, Equipment, Implantable, IVD), Food, Sanitizing and Cosmetic Products.

## Our Results:

- Brazilian Regulatory Consultancy Company with the highest number of products approved at ANVISA (More than 2.000 products approved by VR Medical – registration holder).
- More than 20.000 processes submitted at ANVISA.
- 98% approval rate.

## Our Clients:

- 43% Manufactures
- 57% Importers

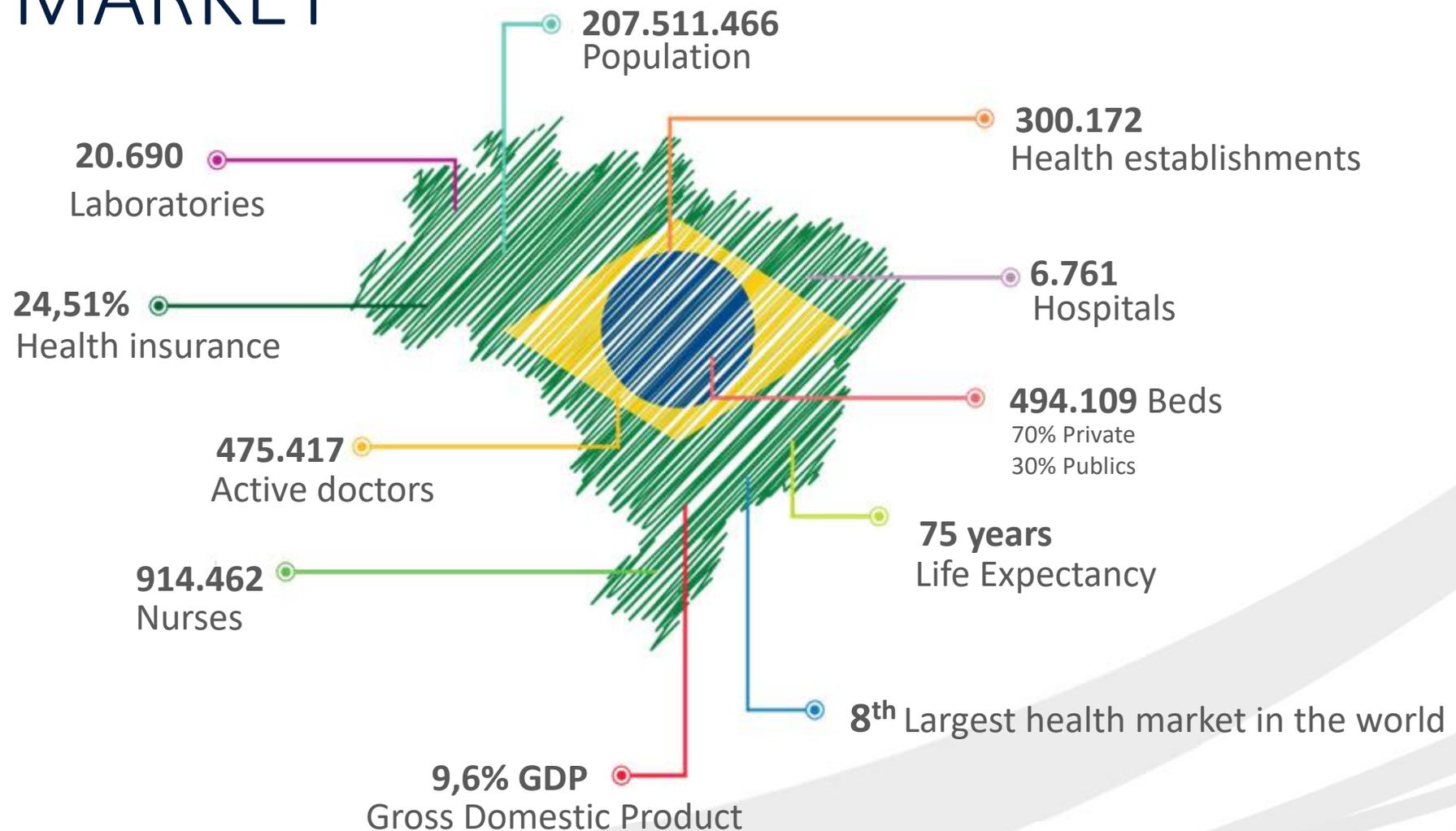
# ABOUT BRAZIL

Do you know how big Brazil is?

- **5th** largest country in the world
- Largest market in Latin America
- One of the TOP 10 largest economies in the world



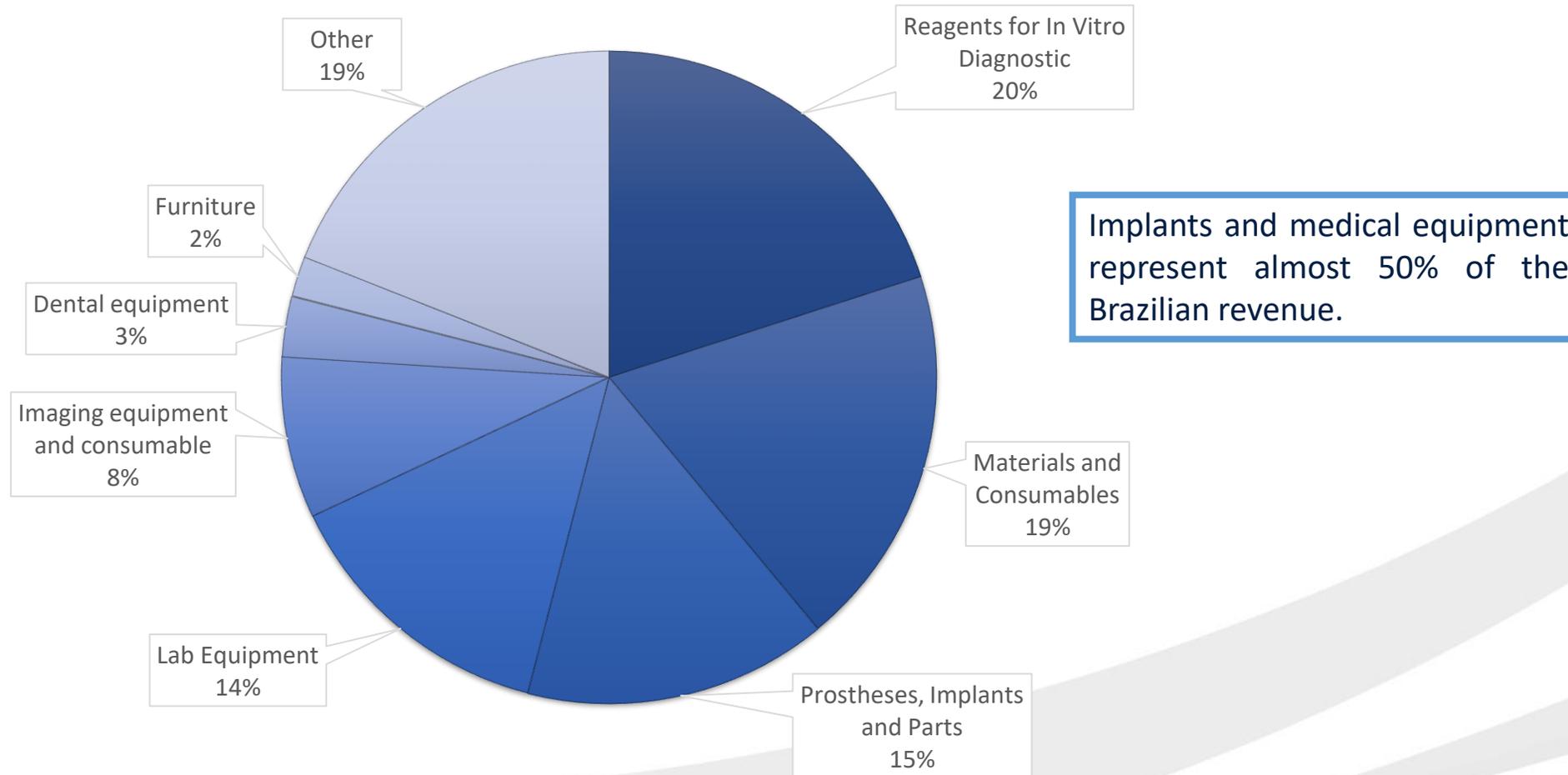
# HEALTH MARKET



Source: <http://www.hospitalar.com/pt/o-evento/setor-da-saude>

# BRAZILIAN HEALTH MARKET

Segmentation of the market for medical equipment and devices



Source: <https://www.export.gov/article?id=Brazil-Healthcare>

# BRAZILIAN MAIN PARTNERS

Jan-May 2018

Country	Imports	Exports
China	24.132.277.012	12.365.476.257
USA	10.442.899.627	11.416.003.835
Germany	2.155.070.699	4.300.930.286
Japan	1.815.600.336	1.780.460.767



Source: <http://www.mdic.gov.br>

# BRAZILIAN TRADE BALANCE



Source: <https://tradingeconomics.com/brazil>

# Brazilian Regulatory Affairs and Medical Devices Registration



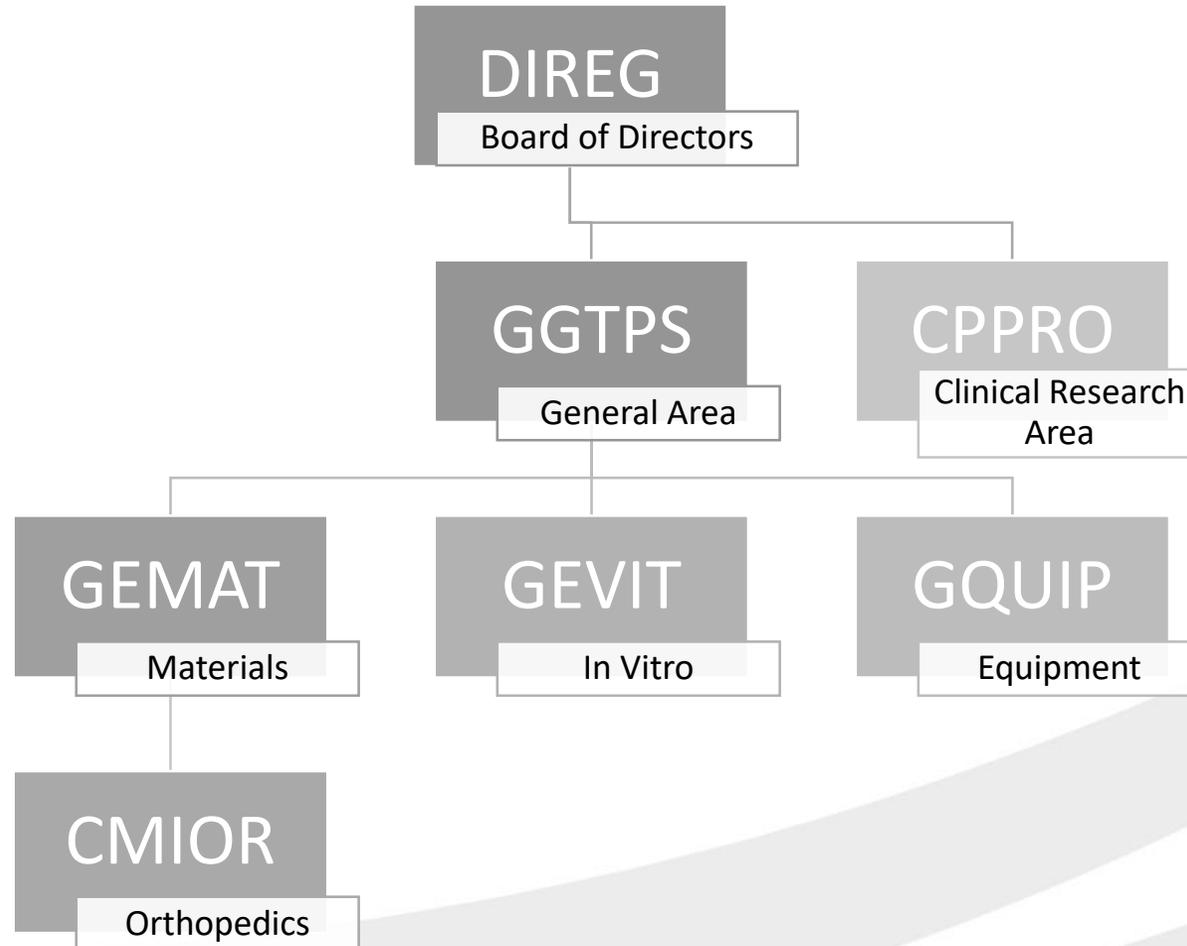
# WHAT IS ANVISA?

- Brazilian National Health Surveillance Agency (located in Brasília)
- Protects and promotes public health, by exercising health surveillance over products and services
- Health control of ports, airports and borders
- Administrative independence and financial autonomy
- Subject to the Ministry of Health, Ministry of International Affairs and with foreign agencies and institutions



Website: <http://portal.anvisa.gov.br>

# ANVISA DIVISIONS (Health Products)



# HOW TO START?

1<sup>st</sup> step = Find a local registration holder



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Ways to have a local registration holder



**OPENING A  
SUBSIDIARY IN  
BRAZIL**

**HIGH INVESTMENT**

**AT LEAST 1 YEAR FOR LICENSING**



**INDEPENDENCE**



**FINDING A DULY  
LICENSED LOCAL  
DISTRIBUTOR**

**DISTRIBUTOR OWNS THE REGISTRATION**

**REQUIRES EXTENSIVE RESEARCH AND  
NEGOTIATION WITH THE PARTNER**



**MARRIAGE**



**WORKING WITH THE  
HOSTING  
ALTERNATIVE**

**POSSIBILITY TO EXPLORE BRAZILIAN  
MARKET**

**MANY DISTRIBUTORS**

**MANUFACTURER OWNS THE  
REGISTRATION**



**FREEDOM**

# MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES



Hosting Company = Legal Representative

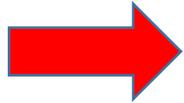
- Maintenance of the sanitary permits
- Maintenance of qualified staff to meet the manufacturer needs
- Product liability towards consumer protection agencies, governmental and private entities, INMETRO
- Civil and criminal liability regarding the products
- Qualification of the distributors (documental inspection) and manufacturers
- Inform ANVISA about technical complaints and adverse events related to the product (Technovigilance)
- Answering questions about technical surveillance issued by ANVISA
- Support and coordination of Recall processes
- Support distributors regarding the labeling of imported products
- Control of the import authorizations to ensure traceability

# INITIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The product risk classes

## 2<sup>nd</sup> step = Classification of the device

All classes  
require  
ANVISA  
approval



ANVISA	CE Mark	FDA
I	I	I
II	IIa	II
III	IIb	III
IV	III	

Comparison between the classification, in terms of risk, for Medical Devices (ANVISA x CE Mark x FDA):

**Definition of medical product according to RDC 185/2001:** *Product for health, such as an equipment, device, material, article or system of medical, odontological, or laboratory use/application, intended for the prevention, diagnostic, treatment, re-habilitation or anticonception, that does not use pharmacological, immunological or metabolic means, to perform its main function in human beings, that may be helped in its functions by such means.*

# BRAZILIAN PRODUCT

## Classification



- **Class I – LOW RISK**

Non-invasive products, temporary use (up to 1 hour)

- **Class II – MEDIUM RISK**

Invasive products, short term use (up to 30 days)

- **Class III – HIGH RISK**

Surgical products, long term use (over 30 days)

- **Class IV – MAXIMUM RISK**

Permanent implants and surgical products for long term use with direct contact with the Central Nervous System, Coronary System or biologically absorbed

*Related law: RDC 185/2001*

# EXAMPLES OF PRODUCTS

Risk Class I and II

- Surgical Instruments and sterilization trays
- Surgical clothing (aprons, masks, etc)
- Pregnancy rapid tests (IVD)\*
- Most of the dental products
- Catheters for periphery use
- Surgical beds and tables
- Equipment for diagnostics (IVD)\*
- ECGs
- Ultrasounds
- Ophthalmologic equipment (slit lamps, tonometers, etc)
- Software (PACs)



*\* IVD products has specific regulation*

# EXAMPLES OF PRODUCTS

Risk Class III and IV

- Implantable products (dental, orthopedic prosthesis, etc)
- Stents
- Intra ocular lenses
- Glucose Meter and Consumables (IVD)\*
- Bone graft, bone cements
- Products impregnated with drugs
- X-ray, laser and high frequency equipment
- Ventilators
- Multiparameter monitors
- Condoms
- Software for radiotherapy dosage



*\* IVD products has specific regulation*

# EXAMPLES OF PRODUCTS

With specific legislation

- Cosmetic products (creams, repellents, shampoos, etc) \*
- Pharmaceutical products \*
- Sanitizing products (disinfectants, detergent, etc) \*
- IVD (reagents, kits, biomarkers, instruments, etc)
- Blood Bags and some diagnostic reagents as HIV/ Syphilis (Typing Test is pre required for registration)



*\*Important: For the classification of these kind of products a previous analysis of the formula is needed.*



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# EXAMPLES OF PRODUCTS

Don't need ANVISA approval

- Raw material for medical products (plastics, metals, etc)
- Anatomical models for training/ education
- Products exclusively for laboratory use, except for *in vitro* diagnostics (water analyzer, laboratory heater, pipette, bucket)



# MAIN DIFFERENCES

Related to the risk classes

	I and II	III and IV
<b>Modality of process</b>	<b>Notification / Enrollment</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>Specific documents</b>	<b>Authorization Letter and technical dossier (RDC 40/2015)</b>	<b>CFG/CFS, authorization letter and documents proving safety and efficacy (RDC 185/2001)</b>
<b>INMETRO / ANATEL Certifications</b>	<b>May be required</b>	<b>May be required</b>
<b>GMP Certification</b> (Good Manufacturing Practices certification issued by ANVISA for the manufacturer facility)	<b>Not applicable</b>	<b>Mandatory</b>
<b>Expiration</b>	<b>Undetermined</b>	<b>10 years</b>

# GMP CERTIFICATION

Class III and IV Products



	Until October 2017	New Regulation
<b>GMP Inspection</b>	GMP Inspection performed by ANVISA, according to the RDC 16/2013	<p>ANVISA will define the necessity of inspection based on a risk analysis of the manufacturer's documentation</p> <p>RDC 183/2017</p> <p>ANVISA GMP Inspection can be replaced by:</p> <p>* Inspection performed by other agencies/certification bodies (MDSAP, IMDRF, CMDCAS or Sanitary Authority of the Country of Origin)</p>
<b>Timeline</b>	3 - 4 years	Currently: 2 years / ANVISA goal: 6 months
<b>ANVISA Fee</b>	Mandatory	
<b>Certificate Expiration</b>	2 years	
<b>Important Considerations</b>	<p>GMP x product registration (run in parallel). <u>ABIMED members are allowed to have the registration approved based on the GMP submission only.</u></p> <p>If the GMP is denied, the company may have the registrations cancelled and/or the products recalled.</p> <p>GMP Certificate belongs to the Brazilian registration holder.</p>	

# MANDATORY CERTIFICATIONS

INMETRO



- National Institute of Metrology, Standardization and Industrial Quality.
- Goal: assure the safety and quality of the products through tests to evaluate the product and then issue a certificate of conformity by a Brazilian Certification Body.
- Applicable for specific products, example:



- Certificate valid for 5 years.
- **Pre requirement for registration!**



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**NEW**

# MANDATORY CERTIFICATIONS

ANATEL



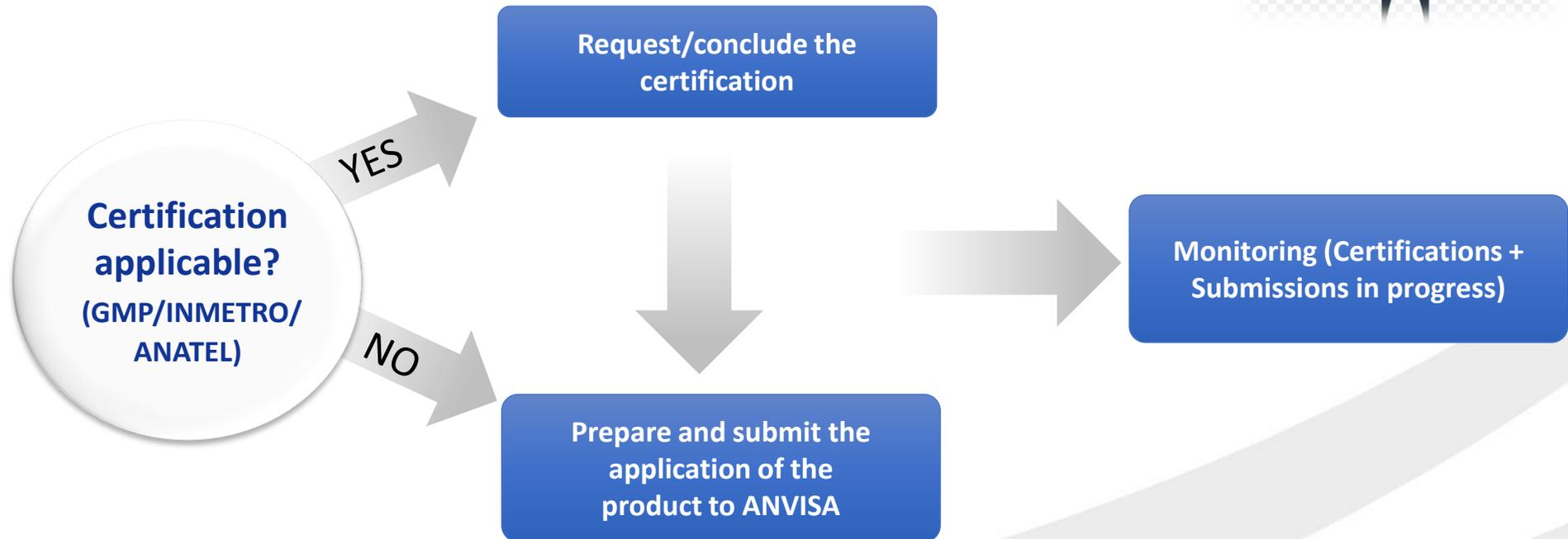
National Telecommunications Agency

- Resolution nº 680/2017 : all devices that incorporate telecommunications modules, such as wireless communication or that work connected to the telephone (eg. bluetooth, wifi, cellphone interface) require ANATEL certification.
- ANVISA requires Homologation Certificate to approval and maintenance of registration processes.
- Certificate expiration depends on the characteristic of product (Between 1 - 2 years or undetermined).
- **Pre requirement for registration!**



# SUBMISSION FLOW SUMMARY

Application overview



# ANVISA APPROVAL TIME SUMMARY

Estimatives



RISK CLASS	TIMEFRAME
I and II	2 - 4 months
III and IV (Predicate/ Similar Devices and Equipment)	3 - 6 months
III and IV (Implantable, Innovative Products, Drug incorporated, etc.)	8 - 12 months
Registration Changes	Around 3 months



# IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

## Particularities of Brazil

- All approvals are published in the Brazil's Official Gazette
- No approvals by similarity: predicate/similar devices previously approved don't avoid a new submission
- Safety and efficacy data by similarity is critically analyzed by ANVISA
- FDA approval is very positive in case of products class III, IV and innovative products
- A Clinical Research in human beings at least phase III is mandatory to Implantable and Innovative Products
- UDI (Unique Device Identification) will be mandatory to coronary and pharmacological stents, hip and Knee Implants (From 2020 on)
- Different technicians from ANVISA can make different requests



# POST REGISTRATION ACTIONS

- Updates/changes related to the products usually require ANVISA approval before the implementation
-  Product registrations must be renewed each **10 years**, GMP Certification each **2 years** (deadline: 6 months before expiration date) and INMETRO certification each **5 years**
- Class I and II submissions do not require renewal, although the INMETRO/ANATEL certificates must be valid as a condition to maintain the ANVISA approval active
- Technovigilance events and Field actions require notifications according to specific regulations
- Transfer of registrations and GMP Certification between companies is allowed

# TENDENCIES



- Simplified online submission for products class I (Public Consult is on going)
- Specific regulation for Customized Products
- Harmonization ANVISA x other countries (IMDRF - International Medical Device Regulators Forum - <http://www.imdrf.org/> )

# UPCOMING EVENTS

Meet our team

- **RAPS 2018** (Canada) > October, 01 - 04
- **Medica 2018** (Germany) > November, 12 - 15



**Thank you!**



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