Standardization of medical devices nomenclature

The Seventy-fifth World Health Assembly, having considered the reports by the Director-General,1,2 and re-affirming WHO’s role in the development, in a transparent and evidence-based way, of norms, standards and a standardized glossary of definitions relating to medical devices, as requested in resolution WHA60.29 (2007),

Decided to request the Director General:

(1) to integrate available information related to medical devices, including terms, codes and definitions, in the web-based database and clearinghouse established in line with resolution WHA60.29 (2007) and now available as the Medical Devices Information System (MeDeVIS);3 and to link this to other WHO platforms, such as the International Classification of Diseases (ICD-11),4 to serve as a reference to stakeholders and Member States;

(2) to submit a substantive report on progress made in implementing this decision to the Executive Board at its 152nd session in January 2023 and its 156th session in January 2025.

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1 Document A75/11.
2 Document A75/11 Add.1.