

1.10 Biohazards and Sterilisation

1.10 Biohazards and Sterilisation module forms part of the **1.0 Medical Technology Regulation and Clinical Activities course** and supports staff working with biohazardous materials and sterile products.

The Medical Technology Industry

The Australian medical technology industry includes Australian and overseas companies manufacturing and supplying medical devices, in-vitro diagnostics and medical imaging equipment. The medical technology industry makes a highly significant contribution to the quality of health care in Australia.

What is the Medical Technology Regulation and Clinical Activities course?

The regulation of medical technology in Australia is similar, in principle, to that adopted in the European Union. However, there are differences. The Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) regulates the supply of therapeutic goods including medical technology. Before a sponsor can supply items of medical technology in Australia, the TGA must grant approval and enter the product in the Australian Register of Therapeutic Goods (ARTG).

The *Medical Technology Regulation and Clinical Activities* course consists of a series of modules to assist employees working in the regulatory and clinical areas.

- 1.1 Introduction to the Regulation of Medical Technology in Australia
- 1.2 Advanced Review of the Regulation of Medical Technology in Australia
- 1.3 Quality Management Systems and Conformity Assessment Procedures
- 1.4 Developing Technical Documentation for Medical Technology
- 1.5 Understanding Clinical Evidence for Medical Technology
- 1.6 Risk Analysis and the Development of Medical Technology
- 1.7 Risk Management for Medical Technology Companies from a Regulatory Perspective
- 1.8 Introduction to the Regulation and Design of Clinical Investigations for Medical Technology in Australia
- 1.9 Improving Your Clinical Investigations for Medical Technology
- 1.10 Biohazards and Sterilisation

What topics are covered in the *Biohazards and Sterilisation* module?

This module will help medical technology industry professionals understand the risks associated with biohazardous materials, the manufacture of sterile medical devices, and the treatment and disposition of used medical devices.

Learning outcomes

- Understands personal risk and the role of WHS regulations when dealing with biological and chemical hazards.
- Understands sterility assurance and the need for bioburden control.
- Understands a range of cleaning, decontamination and sterilisation techniques.

Who should attend?

Medical technology industry employees involved in the manufacture, control, sales or distribution of sterile products should attend the training. There is no pre-requisite training for this Level 1 module.

How much does it cost?

The cost of this half day module including GST is \$550 for members and \$850 for non-members. Once payment is accepted, applicants will be registered.

How do I register?

All registrations to MTAA training modules are via the website. For this course, places will be offered to those that register an interest to attend a module. The city location of the training will be dependent on where the majority of those that have expressed an interest are based. Please visit *Training under Professional Development* on the MTAA website www.mtaa.org.au to access course information and register your interest.

Following full registration, participants will be forwarded a program. Participants will receive a *Certificate of Participation* at the end of the training.

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