**9th Meeting of the Inter-American Coalition for Business Ethics in the MedTech Sector**

**Tuesday, 30 November 2021 (2:00-3:30 PM EST)**

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| **Member Participants (14):** CADIEM (Argentina), ABIIS (Brazil), IES (Brazil), ABRAIDI (Brazil), CBDL (Brazil), MedTech Canada, ANDI-CDMIS (Colombia), ADIMECH (Chile), SCDM (Chile), ASEDIM (Ecuador), Mexico (AMID), AdvaMed (United States), ALDIMED (Regional), ALADDIV (Regional)**Additional Partner Attendees:** Inter-American Development Bank, U.S. Department of Commerce, Chile Ministry of Foreign Affairs |
| **Discussion Items:** * Coalition members received a detailed readout of the Americas Health Ethics Virtual Forum and key achievements, including the launch of the Brazilian Consensus Framework driven by several Coalition members in partnership with the Minister of Health, PAHO and nearly 40 leading health organizations. The Forum’s nine hours of content included nearly 1,000 participants from more than 40 countries and 18 national and international government organizations. See attached Summary of Outcomes for complete details.
* Coalition members received a status update on preparations for the 9th Summit of the Americas to be held by the United States in 2022. The region’s governments are committed to holding the Summit in person, possibly in May/June depending on travel conditions and other factors. The Coalition aims to convene its first meeting in 2022 alongside the Summit and members will receive an update as soon as we learn more.
* Coalition members agreed to preserve nearly all of the provisions of the [Action Plan (2020-2023)](https://www.interamericancoalition-medtech.org/ethics/the-bogota-principles/action-plan-2020-2023/). They agreed the annual meeting timeline should be updated to reflect 2021, 2022, and 2023 completed or proposed meeting locations. They also agreed to update the text for “Additional Outcome” #4 on pursuing one national-level, unified code of ethics that covers multiple medical device industry associations within each country. Instead, the Action Plan should reassert the important role of consensus frameworks in driving code alignment across medical device industry associations within each country. Finally, the timeline for primary outcomes should be updated to reflect current those items achieved and still underway, including where an outcome was achieved earlier than expected or delayed. Additional comments are welcome from Coalition members through the end of December. The Action Plan will be updated on the Coalition website in January 2022.
* The Inter-American Development Bank updated Coalition members that the business integrity project currently underway with CONFIEP in Peru has progressed to later stages of development. This project aligns with the Coalition’s work and there may be opportunities for heightened coordination as the advanced stages are implemented. Further details will be shared with the Coalition once provided by CONFIEP/IDB.
* Coalition members provided updates on local ethics and compliance activities, including code updates, member company and third-party ethics trainings, and additional tools / partnership developments. Coalition members with revised codes are encouraged to submit them to Andrew for upload to the Coalition’s online code compendium. AdvaMed also provided a detailed update on uptake of the Global Distributors Compliance Toolkit, including in English, Spanish, and Portuguese. Coalition members who wish to provide any materials or written update on their local ethics and compliance activities are encouraged to submit them to Andrew.
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