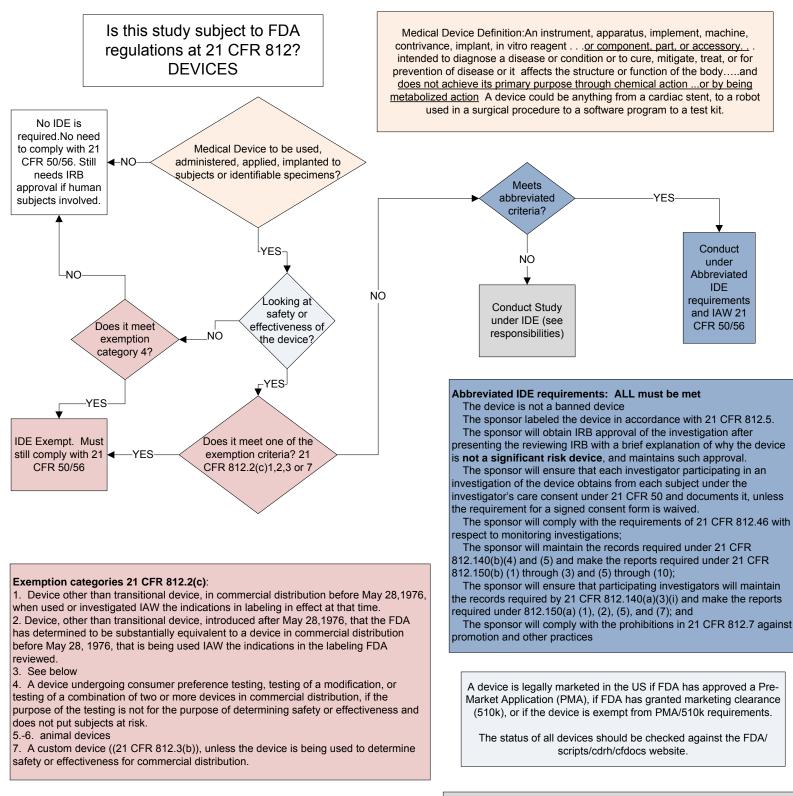


Flowchart: Devices

Is this study subject to FDA regulations under 21 CFR 812?

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Exemption 21 CFR 812.2(c)(3)

Diagnostic Device testing exemption criteria: ALL criteria must be met 1. Is noninvasive (see def'n)

- 2. Does not require an invasive sampling procedure that presents significant risk
- 3. does not by design or intention introduce energy into a subject
- 4. Is not used as a diagnostic procedure without confirmation of the diagnosis by another, medically established product or procedure.

Noninvasive device or procedure definition: DOES NOT

1. penetrate the skin or mucous membranes of the body, the ocular cavity or urethra, or 2. enter the ear beyond the external auditory canal, the nose beyond the nares, the mouth beyond the pharynx, the anal canal beyond the rectum, or the vagina beyond the cervical os. Simple venipuncture is considered non invasive. The use of surplus body samples of body fluids or tissues that are left over from samples taken for non-investigational purposes is also considered non invasive.

Significant Risk (SR) and Nonsignificant Risk(NSR) Study Determinations: Study sponsors are responsible for making the initial risk determination for the study and presenting it to the IRB. Unless FDA has already made a risk determination for the study, the IRB must review the Sponsor's SR or NSR determination and modify the determination if the IRB disagrees with the sponsor. The IRB should use the criteria in the "Information sheet Guidance for IRBs, Clinical Investigators, and Sponsors: Significant Risk and Nonsignifcant risk Medical Device Studies" when reviewing a study and making SR/NSR decision.

Institutional responsibilities

- 1. IRB must review under 32 CFR 219 and 21 CFR 50/56, 21 CFR 812 and AR 40-7.
- 2. IRB must review the device manual
- 3. IRB must assign study risk determination