DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

21 CFR Part 882

[Docket No. FDA-2017-N-1608]

Medical Devices; Neurological Devices; Classification of Cranial Motion Measurement Device

AGENCY:  Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION:  Final order.

SUMMARY:  The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or Agency) is classifying the cranial motion measurement device into class II (special controls). The special controls that will apply to the device are identified in this order and will be part of the codified language for the cranial motion measurement device’s classification. The Agency is classifying the device into class II (special controls) in order to provide a reasonable assurance of safety and effectiveness of the device.

DATES:  This order is effective [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. The classification was applicable on August 1, 2016.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

In accordance with section 513(f)(1) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the FD&C Act) (21 U.S.C. 360c(f)(1)), devices that were not in commercial distribution before May
28, 1976 (the date of enactment of the Medical Device Amendments of 1976), generally referred to as postamendments devices, are classified automatically by statute into class III without any FDA rulemaking process. These devices remain in class III and require premarket approval, unless and until the device is classified or reclassified into class I or II, or FDA issues an order finding the device to be substantially equivalent, in accordance with section 513(i) of the FD&C Act, to a predicate device that does not require premarket approval. The Agency determines whether new devices are substantially equivalent to predicate devices by means of premarket notification procedures in section 510(k) of the FD&C Act (21 U.S.C. 360(k)) and part 807 (21 CFR part 807) of the regulations.

Section 513(f)(2) of the FD&C Act, also known as De Novo classification, as amended by section 607 of the Food and Drug Administration Safety and Innovation Act (Pub. L. 112-144), provides two procedures by which a person may request FDA to classify a device under the criteria set forth in section 513(a)(1) of the FD&C Act. Under the first procedure, the person submits a premarket notification under section 510(k) of the FD&C Act for a device that has not previously been classified and, within 30 days of receiving an order classifying the device into class III under section 513(f)(1), the person requests a classification under section 513(f)(2) of the FD&C Act. Under the second procedure, rather than first submitting a premarket notification under section 510(k) of the FD&C Act and then a request for classification under the first procedure, the person determines that there is no legally marketed device upon which to base a determination of substantial equivalence and requests a classification under section 513(f)(2) of the FD&C Act. If the person submits a request to classify the device under this second procedure, FDA may decline to undertake the classification request if FDA identifies a legally marketed device that could provide a reasonable basis for review of substantial equivalence with
the device or if FDA determines that the device submitted is not of “low-moderate risk” or that
general controls would be inadequate to control the risks and special controls to mitigate the
risks cannot be developed.

In response to a request to classify a device under either procedure provided by section
513(f)(2) of the FD&C Act, FDA shall classify the device by written order within 120 days.
This classification will be the initial classification of the device.

On December 23, 2014, Jan Medical, Inc., submitted a request for classification of the
BrainPulse, Model 1100, under section 513(f)(2) of the FD&C Act.

In accordance with section 513(f)(2) of the FD&C Act, FDA reviewed the request in
order to classify the device under the criteria for classification set forth in section 513(a)(1).
FDA classifies devices into class II if general controls by themselves are insufficient to provide
reasonable assurance of safety and effectiveness, but there is sufficient information to establish
special controls to provide reasonable assurance of the safety and effectiveness of the device for
its intended use. After review of the information submitted in the request, FDA determined that
the device can be classified into class II with the establishment of special controls. FDA believes
these special controls, in addition to general controls, will provide reasonable assurance of the
safety and effectiveness of the device.

Therefore, on August 1, 2016, FDA issued an order to the requestor classifying the
device into class II. FDA is codifying the classification of the device by adding 21 CFR
882.1630.

Following the effective date of this final classification order, any firm submitting a
premarket notification (510(k)) for a cranial motion measurement device will need to comply
with the special controls named in this final order. A De Novo classification decreases
regulatory burdens. When FDA classifies a device type as class I or II via the De Novo pathway, other manufacturers do not have to submit a De Novo request or premarket approval application in order to market the same type of device, unless the device has a new intended use or technological characteristics that raise different questions of safety or effectiveness. Instead, manufacturers can use the less burdensome 510(k) pathway, when necessary, to market their device, and the device that was the subject of the original De Novo classification can serve as a predicate device for additional 510(k)s from other manufacturers.

The device is assigned the generic name cranial motion measurement device, and it is identified as a prescription device that utilizes accelerometers to measure the motion or acceleration of the skull. These measurements are not to be used for diagnostic purposes.

FDA has identified the following risks to health associated specifically with this type of device and the measures required to mitigate these risks in table 1.

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FDA believes that the special controls, in combination with the general controls, address these risks to health and provide reasonable assurance of safety and effectiveness.
Cranial motion measurement devices are not safe for use except under the supervision of a practitioner licensed by law to direct the use of the device. As such, the device is a prescription device and must satisfy prescription labeling requirements (see 21 CFR 801.109 (Prescription devices)).

Section 510(m) of the FD&C Act provides that FDA may exempt a class II device from the premarket notification requirements under section 510(k), if FDA determines that premarket notification is not necessary to provide reasonable assurance of the safety and effectiveness of the device. For this type of device, FDA believes premarket notification is not necessary to provide reasonable assurance of the safety and effectiveness of the device type and, therefore, is planning to exempt the device from the premarket notification requirements under section 510(m) of the FD&C Act. Once finalized, persons who intend to market this device type need not submit a 510(k) premarket notification containing information on the cranial motion measurement device prior to marketing.

II. Analysis of Environmental Impact

The Agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.34(b) that this action is of a type that does not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required.

III. Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

This final order establishes special controls that refer to previously approved collections of information found in other FDA regulations. These collections of information are subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520). The collections of information in part 807, subpart E, regarding premarket notification submissions have been approved under OMB control number 0910-0120,
and the collections of information in 21 CFR part 801 regarding labeling have been approved under OMB control number 0910-0485.

List of Subjects in 21 CFR Part 882

Medical devices; Neurological devices.

Therefore, under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and under authority delegated to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, 21 CFR part 882 is amended as follows:

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1. The authority citation for part 882 continues to read as follows:


2. Add § 882.1630 to subpart B to read as follows:

§ 882.1630 Cranial motion measurement device.

   (a) Identification. A cranial motion measurement device is a prescription device that utilizes accelerometers to measure the motion or acceleration of the skull. These measurements are not to be used for diagnostic purposes.

   (b) Classification. Class II (special controls). The special controls for this device are:

   (1) The technical parameters of the device, hardware and software, must be fully characterized and include the following information:

   (i) Hardware specifications must be provided. Additionally, verification and validation testing as well as a hazard analysis must be performed.
(ii) Software must be described in detail in the Software Requirements Specification (SRS) and Software Design Specification (SDS). Additionally, software verification and validation testing as well as a hazard analysis must be performed.

(2) The device parts that contact the patient must be demonstrated to be biocompatible.

(3) The device must be designed and tested for electrical, thermal, and mechanical safety, and electromagnetic compatibility (EMC).

(4) Clinical performance testing must demonstrate the accuracy, precision, stability, and repeatability of measuring cranial motion per the intended use in the intended use environment.

(5) The labeling must include:

(i) The intended use population and the intended use environment.

(ii) Instructions for technicians to convey to patients regarding the collection of cranial acceleration data to ensure device measurement accuracy, precision, stability, and repeatability.

(iii) Information allowing clinicians to understand potential sources of variability in the measurement to help recognize and identify changes in the measurement.

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