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Governance	1901: British Standards Institute (BSI) is formed.	1920s: Ministry of Pensions responsible for wheelchair provision to disabled war pensioners. Also given responsibility for artificial limbs. Establishes Artificial Limb and Appliance Centres (ALACs) for delivery.		1948: NHS formed. Now civilians are also entitled to artificial limbs and mobility aids through ALACs. At some point 'Inspectorate of Medical Supplies' (IMS) formed out of WW2 Ministry of Health organization for medical supplies.	1953: Ministry of Health takes on responsibility for ALACs. Engineers employed by the ALAC disability service are added to the IMS.	1960s: A government report on IMS recommends that it expands its functions to include R&D. To facilitate this, a new branch is created: Scientific and Technical Services Branch (of Supply Division), known as STB.	1974: Department of Health and Social Security begins publishing <i>Health Equipment Information</i> . These are pamphlets disseminating reviews of new health equipment assessed by the STB.	1980s: STB gets incorporated into the NHS Procurement Directorate, which is eventually split into A) the NHS Supplies Authority and B) the Medical Devices Directorate (MDD).	1993: The Global Harmonization Task Force (GHTF) is formed, for standardizing medical device markets.	2000: Health Development Agency (HDA) is formed.	2010: EUDAMED proposal is agreed to, to create Europe-wide medical device database.	2020: Cumberlege review of Medicines and Medical Devices Safety is published.	
	1906: International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) is formed.					1963: DHSS publishes Technical Memorandum 'Safety code for electro-medical apparatus'. Sometimes referred to as HTM8.	1974: Community Health Councils are formed. Intended as means for local communities to voice their concerns or interests in healthcare provision.	1980: HTM8 is retired and replaced with a new standard - BS 5724.	1994: MDD becomes the Executive Agency of the Department of Health, and changes name to Medical Devices Agency (MDA).	2001: National Patient Safety Agency established.			2011: International Medical Device Regulators Forum (IMDRF) formed.
						1968: Hearing Aid Council is formed, incorporating representatives from industry and charities advocating for, or composed of, the deaf and hard of hearing.	1986: Registration scheme begins for manufacturers of prosthetic hips.	1998: The 'Modernisation Agency' is created for the NHS.	2001: Committee on the Safety of Devices is formed, advising MDA.	2012: House of Commons Science and Technology Committee report on Regulation of Medical implants in the EU and UK.			
								1999: National Institute for Clinical Excellence (NICE) is formed.	2003: Medicines and Healthcare Regulatory Agency (MHRA) formed.	2013: NHS Institute for Innovation and Improvement is closed, replaced by NHS Improving Quality.			
Regulation			1936: Medical and Surgical Appliances Bill is discussed in parliament, including discussion of the problem of false advertising in medical equipment.			1962: Publication of the Molony Report on Consumer Protection. Includes recognition that medical drugs and devices need special treatment, and potentially an equivalent body to the US Federal Trade Commission.		1984: Council Directive 84/539/EEC of 17 September 1984 on electro-medical equipment used in human or veterinary medicine. Holds EU members to the standards of the European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardization (Cenelec) for certain equipment.	1990: Council Directive 90/385/EEC on active implantable medical devices.	2002: The Medical Devices Regulations. UK gov implementing EC Directives.	2019: The Medical Devices (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 No. 791.	2020: The Medical Devices (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020.	
							1993: Council Directive 93/42/EEC concerning medical devices.	1994: UK - The Medical Devices Regulations 1994.	1998: Council Directive 98/79/EC on in vitro diagnostic medical devices.				2021: Medicines and Medical Devices Act.
Civil society	1911: National Institute for the Deaf is formed (originally known as The National Bureau for Promoting the General Welfare of the Deaf).	1922: First meeting of the Disabled Drivers' Motor Club.	1934: The Diabetic Association is formed.		1958: First series of <i>Your Life in Their Hands</i> broadcast on the BBC, showing live surgeries.	1961: British Heart Foundation is formed.	1974: Disability Alliance is formed. Primarily concerned with social security.	1985: In response to physician concerns about the quality of diabetic patient care in Britain, a report is published, joint authored by the Royal College of Physicians and the British Diabetic Association: Provision of Medical Care for Adult Diabetic Patients in the United Kingdom.		2006: The Wellcome Trust sponsor a witness seminar on the Early Development of Total Hip Replacement.	2018: International Consortium of Investigative Journalists publish its 'Implant Files' and Medical Device Event database.		
						1965: Disability Income Group (DIG) is formed. Primarily concerned with need to provide social security for disabled people.	1975: British Kidney Patients Association is formed.						
							1977: Royal Association for Disability and Rehabilitation (RADAR) is formed. Primarily concerned with social security.						
Industry	c1919: By this time the British Artificial Limb Makers Association had been formed, which begins to publish the journal <i>Surgical Appliances</i> .		1935: Retail Standards Association (RSA) formed.	1949: Industrial Development Authority (IDA) is formed in Ireland.		1960: Biological Engineering Society (BES) formed.	1970: The International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics (ISPO) is founded.	1988: Association of British HealthTech Industries (ABHI) is formed. It merged two pre-existing trades associations for non-pharma medical technology, the British Healthcare Trades and Industry Council and the British Healthcare Exports Council.	1995: Institution of Physics and Engineering in Medicine and Biology (IPEM) is founded, incorporating the BES.	2000: Irish MEDTECH trade association is formed. Originally called the Irish Medical Devices Association (IMDA), as part of Ibec (business and employer associations for organisations based in Ireland).	2012: MedTech Europe is formed out of EDMA and Eucomed.	 EVERYDAY CYBORGS 2.0 WHERE SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY MEET HUMANITY	
			1938: Hearing Aid Manufacturers' Association is formed.			1979: European Diagnostic Manufacturers Association (EDMA) and Eucomed (medical device industry lobby) are formed.	1997: ISO 10993-1:1997 published, on biological evaluation of medical devices — Part 1: Evaluation and testing.						