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Device Week, 3 July 2020 – Asia Regulatory Update & International Medical Device School

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This week's Device Week podcast covers recent regulatory developments in Asia in the wake of COVID-19, and how regulators are adjusting to working under the pandemic. Having published two updates from our regular Asian Medtech Associations Reg Networking discussions this week, Medtech Insight speaks to Asia Regulatory Professional Association founder Jack Wong on Asian regulatory themes and South Korea's hosting of the next International Medical Device School.

In this Device Week, we speak to Singapore-based regulatory specialist Jack Wong, founder of the Asia Regulatory Professional Association, and go deeper into the regional Asian themes explored in our twin regulatory updates published this week (Also see "*Asian Medtech Associations Reg Networking: COVID-19 Dominates As Medtechs Seek Return To Normality – Part One*" - Medtech Insight, 1 Jul, 2020.) and (Also see "*Asian Medtech Associations Reg Networking: ASEANMed Drives Medtech Agenda Forward Despite COVID-19 – Part Two*" - Medtech Insight, 2 Jul, 2020.)

The first half of the podcast is a discussion of the benefits – or otherwise – of a move to a virtual working environment for medtech regulatory affairs professionals, and the priorities now and in the future as the incidence COVID-19 continues to be brought under control in the Asian economies. The second half addresses the need for greater awareness and training in the sector generally, and describes the remit and next stages of the new International Medical Device School.

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