

Regulation (EU) 2017/745 of the European Parliament and of the Council  
of 5 April 2017 on medical devices, amending Directive 2001/83/EC,  
Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 and Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 and repealing  
Council Directives 90/385/EEC and 93/42/EEC (Text with EEA relevance)

CHAPTER VI

CLINICAL EVALUATION AND CLINICAL INVESTIGATIONS

*Article 65*

**Clinical investigations on minors**

A clinical investigation on minors may be conducted only where, in addition to the conditions set out in Article 62(4), all of the following conditions are met:

- (a) the informed consent of their legally designated representative has been obtained;
- (b) the minors have received the information referred to in Article 63(2) in a way adapted to their age and mental maturity and from investigators or members of the investigating team who are trained or experienced in working with children;
- (c) the explicit wish of a minor who is capable of forming an opinion and assessing the information referred to in Article 63(2) to refuse participation in, or to withdraw from, the clinical investigation at any time, is respected by the investigator;
- (d) no incentives or financial inducements are given to the subject or his or her legally designated representative except for compensation for expenses and loss of earnings directly related to the participation in the clinical investigation;
- (e) the clinical investigation is intended to investigate treatments for a medical condition that only occurs in minors or the clinical investigation is essential with respect to minors to validate data obtained in clinical investigations on persons able to give informed consent or by other research methods;
- (f) the clinical investigation either relates directly to a medical condition from which the minor concerned suffers or is of such a nature that it can only be carried out on minors;
- (g) there are scientific grounds for expecting that participation in the clinical investigation will produce a direct benefit to the minor subject outweighing the risks and burdens involved;
- (h) the minor shall take part in the informed consent procedure in a way adapted to his or her age and mental maturity;
- (i) if during a clinical investigation the minor reaches the age of legal competence to give informed consent as defined in national law, his or her express informed consent shall be obtained before that subject can continue to participate in the clinical investigation.

**Status:**

Point in time view as at 31/01/2020. This version of this provision has been superseded.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Regulation (EU) 2017/745 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Article 65.