

History

- Sep 1982: Pharmaceutical Industrial Policy Meeting was established in the Pharmaceutical Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (formerly Ministry of Health and Welfare).
- Oct 1984: The Final Report of the Pharmaceutical Industrial Policy Meeting was issued, which proposed as one of the suggested means to promote the medical device industry in Japan the establishment of a comprehensive organization dedicated to the medical device system.
- Dec 1984: Medical Device Meeting was established in the Health Policy Bureau, Ministry of Health and Welfare.
- Jun 1985: An Interim Report of the Medical Device Meeting proposed the establishment of an association for the advancement of medical equipment to plan medical device R&D strategies and to promote improved use and control of medical devices. The mission, organization, and structure of the Foundation for Research and Development of Medical Technology (established on April 6, 1971) were modified and the name of the foundation was changed to the Japan Association for the Advancement of Medical Equipment (JAAME).
- Apr 1988: The Minister for Health and Welfare appointed JAAME as the designated agency to conduct the national examination for clinical engineering technologists, based on Article 17 of the Law for Clinical Engineering Technologists.
- Jun 1995: The Minister for Health and Welfare appointed JAAME as the designated agency for device evaluation to determine equivalency with respect to applications for approval of medical devices, based on Article 14, Paragraph 3 of the Pharmaceutical Affairs Law.
- Jul 1995: The Minister for Health and Welfare designated JAAME as the agency to conduct basic seminars relating to the qualifications of technical directors of medical device repair services, based on Enforcement Regulation 24.5.1 a of the Pharmaceutical Affairs Law.
- Nov 1995: The Minister for Health and Welfare designated JAAME as the agency to conduct specialized seminars relating to the qualifications of technical directors of medical device repair services, based on Enforcement Regulation 24.5.1a of the Pharmaceutical Affairs Law.
- Feb 1996: The Minister for Health and Welfare designated JAAME as the agency to conduct seminars relating to the qualifications of: the medical device distribution and rental managers, based on Enforcement Regulation 42.2.4.1 of the Pharmaceutical Affairs Law.
- Apr 1996: The Minister for Health and Welfare designated JAAME as the agency to conduct seminars relating to the qualifications of technical directors of medical device manufacturers and in-country caretakers of foreign manufacturers, based on Enforcement Regulation 24.3.3 of the Pharmaceutical Affairs Law.
- Apr 2004: The equivalency evaluation program was transferred to the Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency. Due to organizational restructuring, the medical devices and in vitro diagnostic reagents certification program was added.

- Jul 2005: JAAME was registered as a certification body based on Article 23, Paragraph 6, Item 1 of the Pharmaceutical Affairs Law.
- Apr 2010: Medical Device Strategy Institute, established as thinktank operating as medical device strategic research center, was attached to JAAME body.
- Apr 2013: Registration of public interest incorporated foundation by Act on Authorization of Public Interest Incorporated Associations and Public Interest Incorporated Foundations.