

ventilation. The device is made of materials such as polytetrafluoroethylene, polyethylene, silicon elastomer, or porous polyethylene.

(b) *Classification*. Class II.

§ 874.3900 Nasal dilator.

(a) *Identification*. A nasal dilator is a device intended to provide temporary relief from transient causes of breathing difficulties resulting from structural abnormalities and/or transient causes of nasal congestion associated with reduced nasal airflow. The device decreases airway resistance and increases nasal airflow. The external nasal dilator is constructed from one or more layers of material upon which a spring material is attached, with a skin adhesive applied to adhere to the skin of the nose; it acts with a pulling action to open the nares. The internal nasal dilator is constructed from metal or plastic and is placed inside the nostrils; it acts by pushing the nostrils open or by gently pressing on the columella.

(b) *Classification*. Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to the limitations in § 874.9.

[64 FR 10949, Mar. 8, 1999]

§ 874.3930 Tympanostomy tube with semipermeable membrane.

(a) *Identification*. A tympanostomy tube with a semipermeable membrane is a device intended to be implanted for ventilation or drainage of the middle ear and for preventing fluids from entering the middle ear cavity. The device is inserted through the tympanic membrane to permit a free exchange of air between the outer ear and middle ear. The tube portion of the device is made of silicone elastomer or porous polyethylene, and the membrane portion is made of polytetrafluoroethylene.

(b) *Classification*. Class II. The special control for this device is FDA's "Tympanostomy Tubes, Submission Guidance for a 510(k)."

[51 FR 40389, Nov. 6, 1986, as amended at 65 FR 17145, Mar. 31, 2000]

§ 874.3950 Transcutaneous air conduction hearing aid system.

(a) *Identification*. A transcutaneous air conduction hearing aid system is a wearable sound-amplifying device intended to compensate for impaired hearing without occluding the ear canal. The device consists of an air conduction hearing aid attached to a surgically fitted tube system, which is placed through soft tissue between the post auricular region and the outer ear canal.

(b) *Classification*. Class II (special controls). The special control for this device is FDA's guidance document entitled "Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Transcutaneous Air Conduction Hearing Aid System (TACHAS); Guidance for Industry and FDA." See § 874.1 for the availability of this guidance document.

[67 FR 67790, Nov. 7, 2002]

Subpart E—Surgical Devices

§ 874.4100 Epistaxis balloon.

(a) *Identification*. An epistaxis balloon is a device consisting of an inflatable balloon intended to control internal nasal bleeding by exerting pressure against the sphenopalatine artery.

(b) *Classification*. Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to § 874.9.

[51 FR 40389, Nov. 6, 1986, as amended at 65 FR 2316, Jan. 14, 2000]

§ 874.4140 Ear, nose, and throat bur.

(a) *Identification*. An ear, nose, and throat bur is a device consisting of an interchangeable drill bit that is intended for use in an ear, nose, and throat electric or pneumatic surgical drill (§ 874.4250) for incising or removing bone in the ear, nose, or throat area. The bur consists of a carbide cutting tip on a metal shank or a coating of diamond on a metal shank. The device is used in mastoid surgery, frontal sinus surgery, and surgery of the facial nerves.

(b) *Classification*. Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in

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subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to the limitations in § 874.9.

[51 FR 40389, Nov. 6, 1986, as amended at 61 FR 1122, Jan. 16, 1996; 66 FR 38800, July 25, 2001]

§ 874.4175 Nasopharyngeal catheter.

(a) *Identification.* A nasopharyngeal catheter is a device consisting of a bougie or filiform catheter that is intended for use in probing or dilating the eustachian tube. This generic type of device includes eustachian catheters.

(b) *Classification.* Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to the limitations in § 874.9.

[51 FR 40389, Nov. 6, 1986, as amended at 61 FR 1122, Jan. 16, 1996; 66 FR 38801, July 25, 2001]

§ 874.4180 Eustachian tube balloon dilation system.

(a) *Identification.* A Eustachian tube balloon dilation system is a prescription device that includes a flexible catheter attached to an inflatable balloon. The system is intended for use in dilating the cartilaginous portion of the Eustachian tube for treating persistent Eustachian tube dysfunction.

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

(1) Non-clinical performance testing must demonstrate that the device performs as intended under anticipated conditions of use. The following performance characteristics must be evaluated:

(i) Mechanical testing, including tensile and flexural testing of catheter joints and materials.

(ii) Durability testing, including fatigue and burst pressure testing of the balloon materials and components.

(iii) Inflation and deflation characterization testing, including time and pressure measurements, and leak testing of the balloon.

(iv) Verification testing of safety features built into the device must be performed, including the characterization of catheter geometries and distal tip insertion limitation mechanisms.

(2) Simulated use testing in a clinically relevant model must demonstrate

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the reliability of the device to remain mechanically functional throughout the anticipated conditions of use, and validate that the design features limit access to only the cartilaginous portion of the Eustachian tube.

(3) The patient-contacting components of the device must be demonstrated to be biocompatible.

(4) Performance data must demonstrate the sterility of the device.

(5) Performance data must support shelf life by demonstrating continued sterility of the device, package integrity, and device functionality over the identified shelf life.

(6) Training must include simulated use on cadavers to ensure users can follow the instructions for use to allow safe use of the device.

(7) Labeling must include:

(i) Detailed instructions for use.

(ii) A detailed summary of the device technical parameters, including maximum allowed inflation pressure, allowable catheter geometries, and available balloon sizes.

(iii) A shelf life.

[81 FR 73041, Oct. 24, 2016]

§ 874.4250 Ear, nose, and throat electric or pneumatic surgical drill.

(a) *Identification.* An ear, nose, and throat electric or pneumatic surgical drill is a rotating drilling device, including the handpiece, that is intended to drive various accessories, such as an ear, nose, and throat bur (§ 874.4140), for the controlled incision or removal of bone in the ear, nose, and throat area.

(b) *Classification.* Class II.

§ 874.4350 Ear, nose, and throat fiberoptic light source and carrier.

(a) *Identification.* An ear, nose, and throat fiberoptic light source and carrier is an AC-powered device that generates and transmits light through glass or plastic fibers and that is intended to provide illumination at the tip of an ear, nose, or throat endoscope. Endoscopic devices which utilize fiberoptic light sources and carriers include the bronchoscope, esophagoscope, laryngoscope, mediastinoscope, laryngeal-bronchial telescope, and nasopharyngoscope.

(b) *Classification.* Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the