

ECRI Institute opens international medical device evaluation centre

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Independent laboratory to evaluate medical devices used in Europe and Asia



ECRI Institute, an independent, trusted authority on medical practices and products, is launching its first medical device evaluation laboratory outside the United States. The ECRI International Research Centre will conduct rigorous, hands-on testing and evaluation of devices to help medical professionals make informed decisions that improve patient safety.

The independent lab, located in Selangor, Malaysia, will evaluate medical devices used across all care settings in Europe and Asia.

Devices used internationally will be evaluated in Malaysia with the same independent, rigorous protocols ECRI Institute has upheld for more than 50 years. ECRI Institute's experienced team trained Malaysian engineers to ensure accuracy, consistency and quality control.

The international evaluation program will assess performance, workflow, maintenance, safety, and human factors usability for all technologies under review. The first devices to be evaluated include large-volume infusion pumps, surgical lights, point-of-care blood gas analyzers, portable ultrasound machines, continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) units, and digital radiography systems.