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# Proposed Infuse™ TLIF indication granted Breakthrough Device designation by FDA

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*"We appreciate the FDA's recognition that Infuse™ has the potential to raise the standard of care in TLIF. With this designation, our goal is to broaden the availability of this established technology, reaching more patients affected by debilitating spine conditions,"* said Michael Carter, vice president and general manager of Spine and Biologics within the Cranial and Spinal Technologies business, which is part of the Neuroscience Portfolio at Medtronic. *"By expanding access to Infuse™, we aim to empower healthcare providers with effective tools to address the challenges posed by degenerative spine conditions. Ultimately, our mission is to enhance the quality of life for individuals suffering from these conditions, fostering a future where patients can enjoy improved mobility and comfort."*

Medtronic is currently enrolling patients in a prospective, randomized clinical trial for the use of Infuse™ in a TLIF approach at one or two adjacent levels from L2-S1. The trial aims to provide clinical evidence to demonstrate safety and effectiveness sufficient for expanding indications in TLIF. *"Over the past two decades, Infuse™ has become an important and trusted technology in modern spine surgery and Medtronic's goal is to provide greater access for surgeons and patients. We are pleased to receive Breakthrough Device designation and look forward to continued collaboration with FDA as we broaden the clinical evidence regarding the safe and effective use of Infuse™ and pursue approval of new indications,"* said Dave Breiter, vice president of Regulatory Affairs, Clinical Research, Medical Science, and HEPR (Health Economics, Policy, and Reimbursement).

Infuse™ bone graft has received FDA approval for specific spine, oral-maxillofacial, and orthopedic trauma procedures. In spine surgery, it is utilized with select Medtronic interbody fusion devices for individuals with

degenerative disc disease alleviating donor site pain by negating the necessity of harvesting bone from the patient's body through a secondary surgical intervention <sup>1</sup>.

The use of Infuse™ bone graft in TLIF procedures is investigational only.

### **About Medtronic**

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### **References**

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