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**Strategies for Biotech/Medtech Startups: Successfully Navigating the USPTO and FDA**

**Tuesday, July 16, 2019 • Noon - 6:00 p.m. PT**

Biocom, 1 Tower Place, Suite 150, South San Francisco, CA 94080

Hear from experts about the intricacies biotech and medtech startups face when securing Intellectual Property (IP) rights from the USPTO and seeking regulatory approval from the FDA. Government officials and industry professionals will join the discussion by offering their views and highlighting best practices to help startups with navigating USPTO and FDA procedures.

**Topics include:**

- Navigating the USPTO patent process, with an emphasis on biotech and medtech industries
- Navigating the FDA regulatory process
- Strategies, tips, and best practices to maximize IP protection and exclusivity

**Moderator:**

Laure Fabrega, Biocom — Director, Federal Policy & Government Affairs

**Speakers:**

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**Lunch and networking reception provided courtesy of Jones Day, through Biocom.**

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