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# **GOOD REGULATORY REVIEW PRACTICES WORKING GROUP UPDATE**

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## NWIP

**Title:** Good Regulatory Review Practices - Competence and Training Requirements for Pre-market Reviewers and Product Specialists

**Scope:**

- Define knowledge, skills, and attributes for personnel carrying out pre-market review/assessment of technical documentation/design dossiers of "high-risk" medical devices.
- Define criteria for various degrees of competence and training needs based on roles.



## GOALS

- Providing a common set of training and competency requirements can assure that certain aspects of the pre-market review process become more consistent across various Regulatory Authority partners thus allowing for greater opportunities to rely on other Regulatory Authority partners work.
- Innovative medical devices can reach the patients faster and more efficiently when Regulatory Authorities can partner and rely on consistent work performed by other Regulatory Authorities.
- Reduction of regulatory redundancies around the globe has positive effects of bringing safe medical devices to the patients around the world.



## **ALIGNMENT WITH IMDRF STRATEGIC PRIORITY**

“Improve the Effectiveness and Efficiency of Pre-Market Review”

- This work item aligns with the strategic priority and will be a first step towards improving the pre-market review process by addressing the competencies and training requirements for pre-market reviewers.



## CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

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US	Melissa Torres (Chair)	US FDA – Acting Associate Director, International Affairs
WHO	Robyn Meurant	WHO - Prequalification Team – Diagnostics Assessment



## **WORKING DRAFT DOCUMENT**

- Use of IMDRF/MDSAP WG/N4FINAL:2013 as basis.
- Proposed document content includes:
  - Commitment to Impartiality and Confidentiality
  - Entry Level Requirements
  - Training Requirements
  - Experience Requirements
  - Competence Evaluation
  - Reaffirmation of Code of Conduct
  - Records of Pre-requisites, Competence Evaluation and Monitoring
  - Remediation



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## RELEVANT DOCUMENTS

- IMDRF/MDSAP WG/N4FINAL:2013
- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) N° 920/2013
- Commission Recommendation 2013/473/EU
- Annex VI of the new EU regulation on medical devices
- US FDA Reviewer Certification Program
- Other IMDRF Members Reviewer competence or training specifications



## TIMELINE

Work Group Formation  
Dec 2015

Face to Face Meeting  
Sydney, Australia  
April 2016

Proposed Document Public Consultation  
July/August 2016

Submit Final Draft to MC for Review  
Jan 2017

Working Group Draft Document  
Jan 2016

Proposed Working Draft Document Submitted to MC  
for June teleconference

Face to Face Meeting to Resolve Comments and Prepare Final Draft  
Fall 2016

Routine working group teleconferences





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## CURRENT STATUS

- Working group formed
- Working group draft document created
- Comments received from working group on initial draft
- Routine teleconferences
- Working group gathering resources from each of their respective Regulatory Authority to ensure harmonization of requirements



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