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Updates

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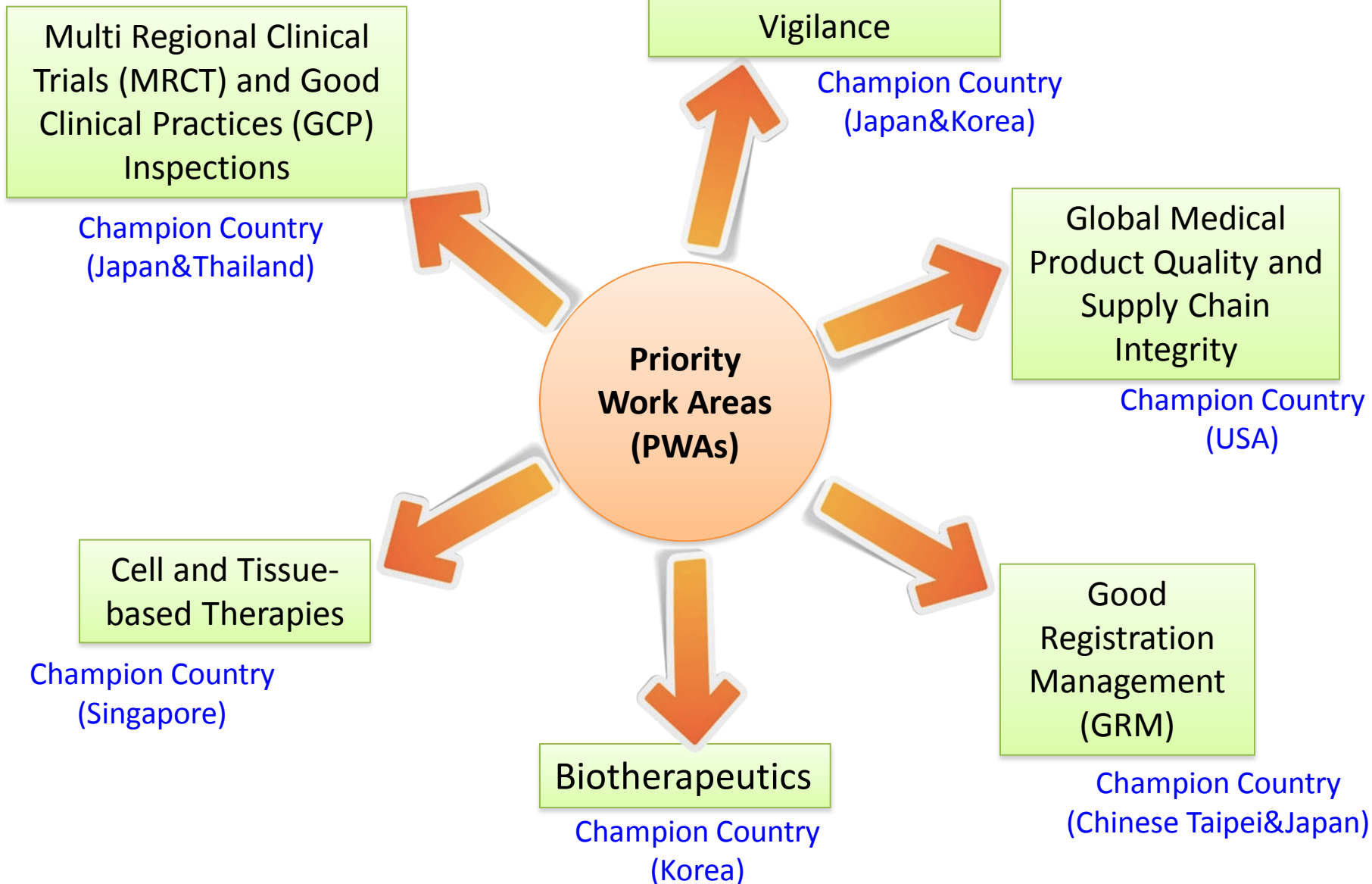
To promote a more *strategic, effective* and *sustainable* approach to harmonization by:

- Proactively identifying and prioritizing projects seen to be of greatest value
- Strengthen linkages with harmonization initiatives, training organizations and other key players to promote complementary actions and most effective use of resources
- Leverage work with other harmonization initiatives – avoid duplication of work
- Ensuring sustained efforts
- Products of interest: **medical products**



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Priority Work Areas (PWAs)



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The Vision

- ✓ A sustainable platform for promoting regulatory convergence, capacity and cooperation in areas of medical products
- ✓ Science and best practice focus

Center of Excellence (CoE)



The Approach

- ✓ Partnership of academia, regulators and industry to deliver and maintain educational programs
- ✓ Benefit must be realized by all 3 partners
- ✓ Oversee & certify performance via APEC RHSC and AHC

Benefits of CoE Model

- Sustainable
- Offloads execution to training experts
- Solves reliance on shrinking APEC funds and the current project proposal - workshop – report - closeout paradigm
- RHSC's role - design, oversight, periodic assessment and action where needed
- AHC's role – coordinate selection & implementation, assure sustained quality CoE operations



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SOM-1 LSIF-RHSC Deliverables

Endorsed



Institution as formal APEC Regulatory Training CoEs	Pilot CoEs	Workshops
Northeastern University (Biotherapeutics)	Harvard BWH (Pilot, MRCT/GCP Inspection)	Workshop in Latin America (November, Biotherapeutics)
Peking University (MRCT/GCP)	KIDS (second Pilot, Pharmacovigilance & Medical Device Vigilance)	Workshop in Korea (September, Pharmacovigilance)
PMDA Japan (MRCT/GCP)	Duke/NUS Singapore (Pilot, Cell and Tissue-based Therapies)	Medical Device Vigilance Workshop in Korea (September)
Duke/NUS Singapore (MRCT/GCP)	COFEPRIS (GRM)	
RAPS, cooperate with Taiwan FDA (GRM)	University of Tennessee HSC (Supply Chain Integrity)	
PMDA Japan (Pharmacovigilance & Medical Device Vigilance)	USP (Supply Chain Integrity)	

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Final Report	CoEs Operating Model	Steps to formalize a CoEs
Supply Chain report	Sect. IV-E : Operating Guidelines	update steps to point to the right places to look in the Operating Model
Supply chain security toolkit	Appendix B: CoE Application Form	
	Appendix C: CoE Endorsement Letters	
	Appendix D: CoE MOU	

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Discussion Topics:

- Proposal for PWA Performance Indicators linked to a CoE core curriculum
- Proposal for a dedicated APEC Sub Fund for CoE activities
- Proposal for an APEC LSIF High Level Dialogue on Regulatory Convergence at SOM-3 that will be held on August 2017.



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Ongoing process



- CoE concept comes to fruition – 6 CoEs launched with several Pilot CoE Programs and workshops in the pipeline
- Significant progress continues in all PWAs
- Funding of CoE programs is a critical factor – discussion on options will continue
- RHSC continues moving forward in activities to advance regulatory convergence on a global scale in a sustainable manner



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