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RPS Strategic Assessment



Strategic Assessment Scope

IN SCOPE

- Technical Exchange format for medical device pre-market submissions

OUT OF SCOPE

- TOC (implementation of the TOC is assumed)
- Combination product submissions*
- Any submissions other than pre-market

*combination products are referenced as a strategic consideration



Process

Evaluation to determine which technical submission exchange format is the right direction to meet stakeholder business objectives



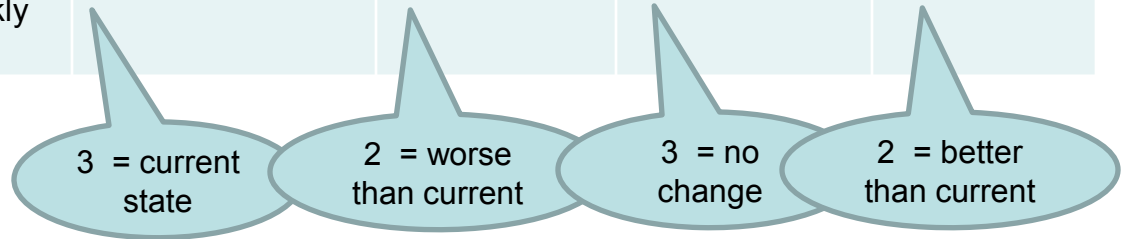


Scoring

Each technical format option was scored for each business objective as a comparison to the current state. Options are also scored based on implementation and maintenance cost

- A score of 1-5;
- Current state is scored as 3 which is the comparison point
- Scores >3 are better than current state, Scores <3 are worse

Objective FOR EXAMPLE	Current State (option 1)	Option 2 Folder Structure	Option 3 IMDRF Standard	Option 4 RPS
Enable a clear view to the lifecycle of Application content over time, as well as the ability to quickly see the most current version of an Application.	3	2	3	4



Scores for each option weighted by stakeholder group and totaled across all objectives. Current state has a total score of 45 (when all objective scores are totaled)



Stakeholders & Weighting

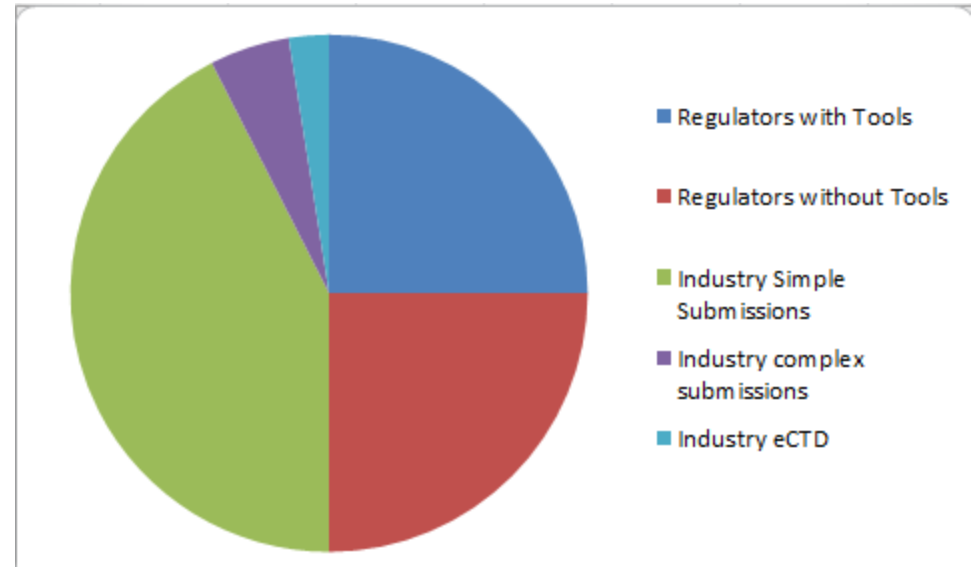
Multiple stakeholder groups were identified to insure all diverse perspectives were considered in the analysis

REGULATORS

- Regulators with electronic review tools and experience reviewing structured content in submissions
- Regulators who don't currently have review tools

INDUSTRY

- Companies that currently support eCTD or have publishing software in-house
- Companies that support multiple complex submissions
- Companies that have primarily simple submissions





Technical Format Options

Format Option	Description
Option 2: Harmonized Folder Structure	A harmonized hierarchical folder structure housing e-files, and possibly a harmonized eForm that captures some metadata about the submission.
Option 3: Custom IMDRF Message Standard	An IMDRF developed Messaging Standard that allows management of submission content lifecycle
Option 4: RPS	HL7 RPS XML Messaging Standard

Each option was compared to the current state (Option 1 – maintain the status quo and do nothing).



Final Scores

Stakeholder Sub-Group	Option 1 Status Quo (Baseline)	Option 2 Harmonized Folder structure	Option 3 Custom IMDRF Message Standard	Option 4 HL7 RPS Message Standard
INDUSTRY - Companies with eCTD publishing software	45.0	50	48.5	54.3
INDUSTRY - complex submissions	45.0	48.9	50.4	50.3
INDUSTRY - Companies with primarily simple submissions	45.0	50.6	49.4	48.5
REGULATORS – jurisdictions with electronic review tools	45.0	44.1	53.2	56.5
REGULATORS - jurisdictions without review tools	45.0	50.5	53.8	54.6
TOTAL SCORE (Weighting Applied)	45.0	48.9	51.5	52.3



Recommendation

.... it is recommended that the IMDRF MC endorse RPS as the future electronic information exchange format to be used for medical device submissions; and that the MC charter additional efforts within the RPS WG to develop a harmonized, device specific implementation of the RPS standard.....

.... It should be noted that implementation of RPS is a long term undertaking, and efforts will most likely take several years.....

.....the RPS WG recommends that gradual steps be taken to implement the HL7 RPS Message Standard (e.g. use of a harmonized folder structure as a transition format, etc.)....

.....the full implementation of RPS that will require establishment of an ongoing governance model to maintain harmonization and address proposed changes.....

As a first step, the RPS WG should develop a public strategy outlining a project plan and key milestones to implement RPS



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Questions & Discussion





Common Data Elements WG - Update

- July 1, MC endorsed CDE WG Proposed Document “Common Data Elements for Medical Device Identification” for Public Consultation
- Comment Period Closes September 15, 2015



Common Data Elements WG - Update

- Proposed Document Contents include:
 - Introduction
 - Scope
 - Common Data Elements
 - Definition
 - Data Format
 - Value Set
 - Usage Notes (for life cycle)
 - Implementation Considerations
 - Examples



Common Data Elements WG – Project Plan

- October 27- 30, 2015
 - WG Meeting will be held in Brussels to review all comments (i.e., both regulator and industry)
 - First 2 days will include Industry Stakeholders
- Post Brussels Meeting
 - Review, revise and gain consensus on the final draft of the document
- December 15, 2015
 - WG will finalize document and deliver to the Management Committee