

QMS STRATEGIES FOR DIGITAL HEALTH TECHNOLOGIES – DEVICE AND NON- DEVICE

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Agenda

- Device and non-device types
- Applicable regulations and standards
- Considerations for QMS strategy
- Consistent approach to lifecycle for device and non-device software
- Example QMS strategy
- Q&A

Device and non-device types

Medical Device with embedded software (SiMD)



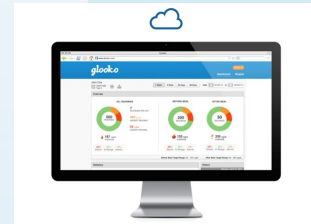
- Well established and well understood regulations, standards, and guidance documents
- May or may not be possible to update the software once the device leaves the production line

Connected Drug Delivery Device with embedded software (SiMD)



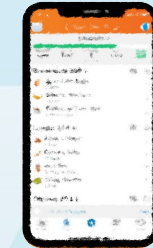
- Must enable and be designed for implementation of end-to-end, state-of-the-art security and data privacy protection measures
- May or may not be possible to update the software once the device leaves the production line

Software as a Medical Device (SaMD)



- Must be designed to cater for patient safety, end-to-end and state-of-the-art security, data privacy, and data integrity aspects
- Frequent modifications in response to real-world performance and user feedback

Non-device software



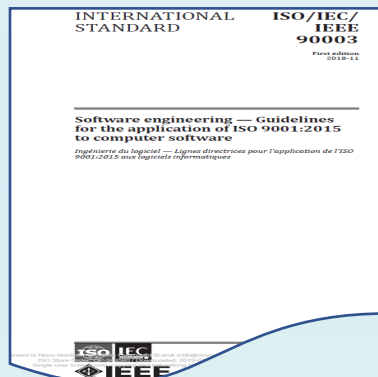
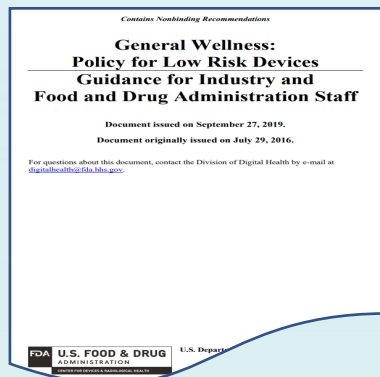
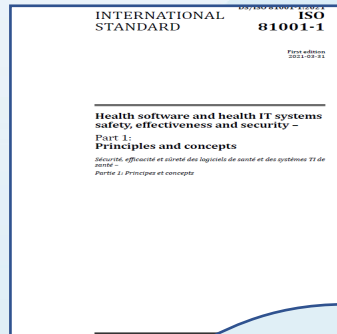
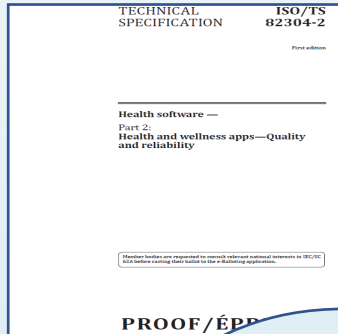
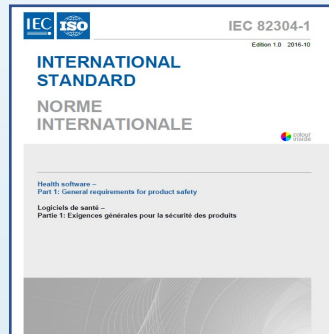
- Software product not regulated as Medical Device and not subject to other explicit health authority regulation or expectations
- Other than that, same characteristics as SaMD

Physical devices

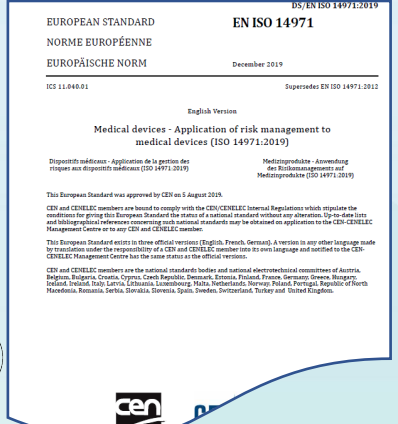
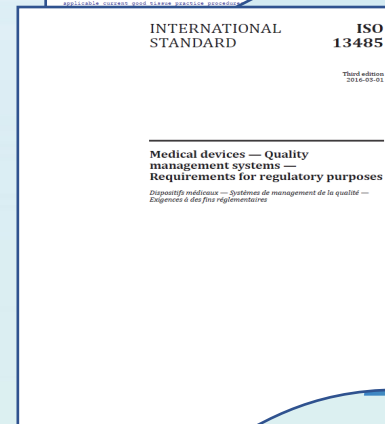
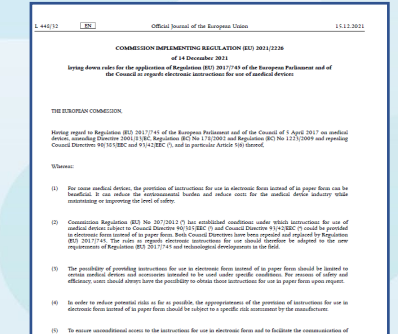
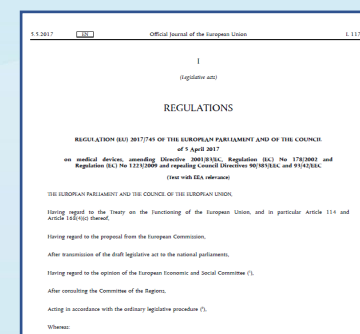
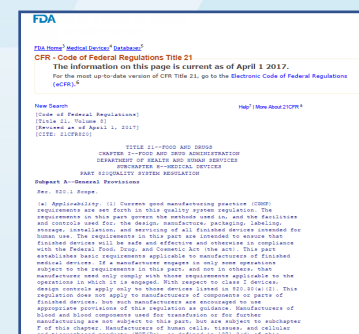
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Non-device and device



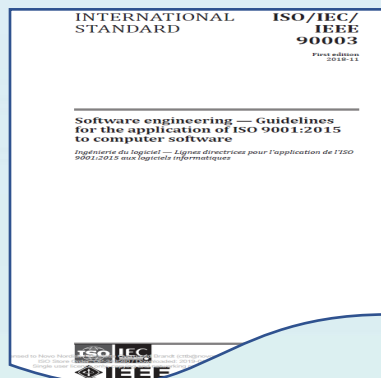
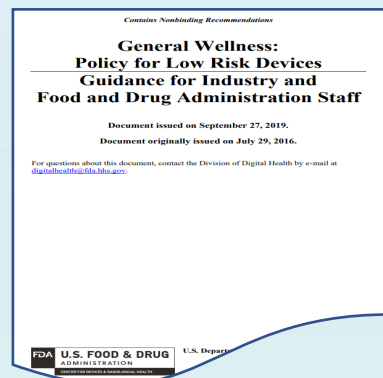
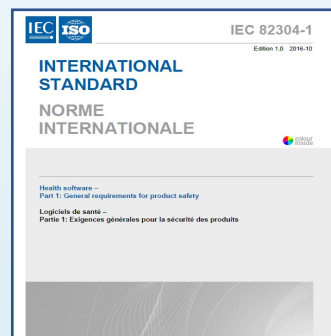
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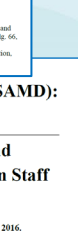
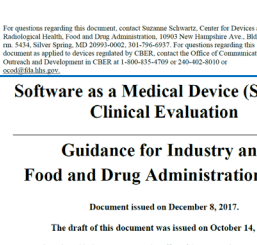
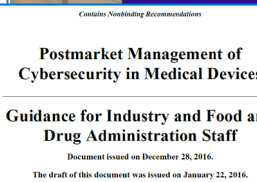
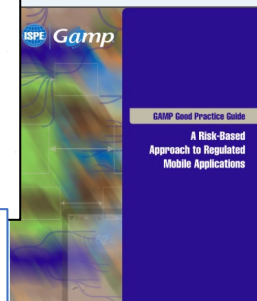
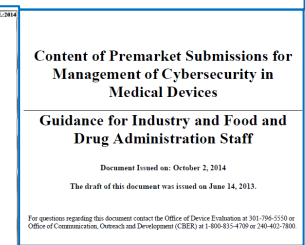
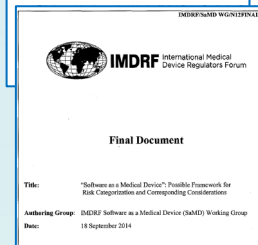
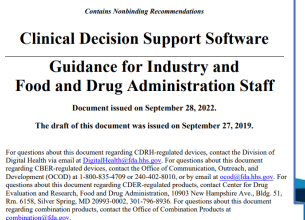
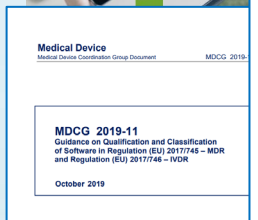
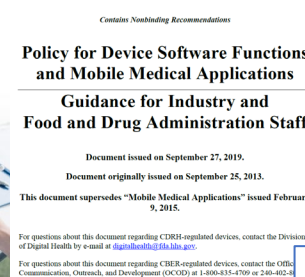
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Non-device and device



Device



Considerations for QMS strategy



- Software may start as non-device but can later have device functions added
- Software may stay non-device
- Software may be device but under enforcement discretion
- Lighter pathway for non-device...device requirements are complex and market authorisation by Health Authorities not relevant
- We want to avoid rework

Considerations for QMS strategy

1

Common process for physical devices and software (SaMD and non-device):

- the different pathways/interpretations/deliverables for each must be built in

2

Separate process for physical devices, common process for SaMD and non-device software with built-in flexibility:

- pre-defined basic level
- Specified add-ons for SaMD



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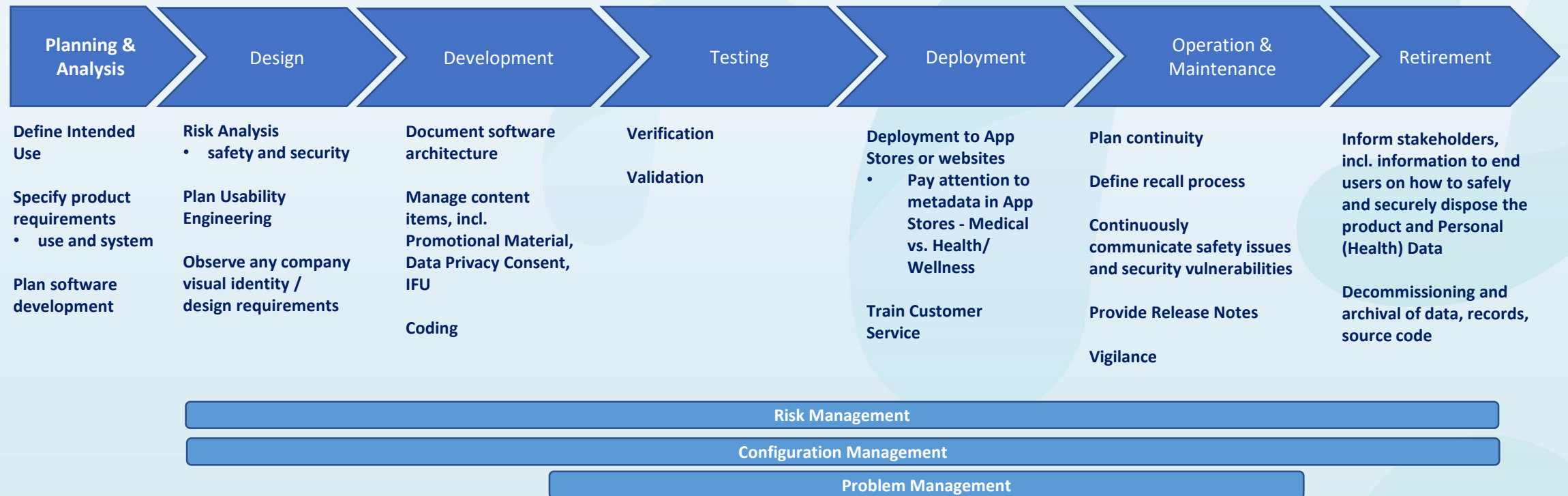
- Option 1 or 2 for physical devices and SaMD
- Include non-device software in the existing process for GxP-regulated software/IT

3

Different process, SOPs, templates for each product type

- leverage processes applying across e.g., Management Review, Change Control, CAPA, Complaint Handling, Recall, Customer Service

Consistent approach to lifecycle for device and non-device software



Example QMS strategy



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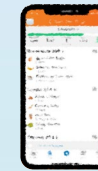
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- Separate ISO 13485, EU MDR, and MDSAP certificates for the product type

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Non-device software



- Own process, SOP, and templates
- Mandatory QA approval of risk management deliverables

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Example QMS strategy

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Not required for non-device software:

- Analysis and Conclusion of Market Feedback
- Clinical Evaluation Planning and Reporting
- Human Factors Engineering Planning and Reporting
- UDI assignment and registration of UDI in databases
- Post-Market Surveillance Plan; post-market activities are however expected
- Labelling – replaced however by Accompanying Documents, including Instructions for Use (IFU)
- Market authorisation by Health Authorities

Q&A