

## Open Topic

### Key elements, next steps, timeline

- Understanding of what RWD vs RWE is
  - RWD is clinical data – what is generated day to day. This is then **harmonized** (from different locations)/cleaned when you have an intended use to become evidence
- **Standards-based** data formats, minimum requirements.
- Standardized language and lab reporting is needed and a tangible RS tool
- **Least burden** to prepare the data

### Pros for Patient, Clinical, R&D, and regulatory

- Helpful for the transition of **EUA** to 510k
- Established best practices – later define statistics behind this
- Could using an exiting LDT within the regular, routine pathologist's workflow be a way to expedite gathering RWD? Does the vendor have the right to use this data? "**Triangle**" between lab, Vendor, and FDA
- **Registries**

- Define terms and characteristics around data set types (training, testing, tuning)
- Checklist or position paper with FDA around these terms
- Example of what data set should look like under each term

### Concerns for patients, clinical, R&D, and regulatory

- Is presented data true and accurate?
- Will the RWD gathering process via FDA for approval be so long that the technology is no longer applicable?
- Post-market surveillance issues? **Quality** assurance/control monitoring

### Implications and efforts

- Understand current definitions within PCCP guidance
- Data variability needed will be specific to the question being asked
- These are recommendations
- Collecting data is active work, to be done by humans
- Early adopting labs using **LDTs** are the generators for much of this RWD

## Key Elements, Next Steps, Timeline

Create permanent change for Digital Diagnostic signout

- Clarification of post Pandemic Rule
- Codification (Legislation) of new Rule

Definition of “Secure”: where do the data reside?

- Where does the lab extend? (Cloud?)

Does this include biomarkers (primary signout)?

## Pros for Patient, Clinical, R&D, and Regulatory

- Data from digital diagnostic signout:
  - forms the foundation for post-market FDA surveillance, data procurement for health care decision making
  - ensures availability of services, including subspecialties, independent of local constraints
  - Improves quality of service (access to talent, TAT, )
  - promotes R&D, QA

2023

## Concerns for Patients, Clinical, R&D, and Regulatory

- Loss professional credibility/compensation via “uberization”
  - Preserve pathologists as members of lab
- Information security, HIPAA restrictions
- Application across pathology spectrum (access across institutions)
- Not-in-good-faith use of “digital diagnostic signout” or malpractice using “it was digital” as an argument.

## Implications and efforts

- Facilitates digital access to small and rural programs
- Availability of pathology diagnostic services, including subspecialties, independent of local constraints/
  - Access to Frozen sections, etc.
  - Downstream implication on hospitals (maintain surgical and clinical offerings, keep facilities open)
- Open letter with case studies re: lack of providers/services (pathology RV, no FS, shifts on TAT, number of empty pathology job slots). (backed by data. Source? – no difference in amended reports.)
- Labs would need:
  - “How to implement Remote signout” toolkit
    - Signout location mappings (part of QM)

# PCCP

## Key elements, next steps, timeline

Design a simple use case (patient population extension, new scanner, etc.) to determine:

- What the end user (laboratories) need to do as a result of CLIA
- What the laboratory would need in the labeling and communication sections of a PCCP.

Pros for Patient, Clinical, R&D, and regulatory  
Pros (Patient, Clinical, R&D): Timely updates and ideally improved performance. Faster innovation.

Regulatory: Help the regulators understand what they should be seeking from a manufacture's PCCP to improve clarity to the end users. Identify pitfalls and best practices.

## Mock Submission

## Concerns for patients, clinical, R&D, and regulatory

- Concerns: Addresses the concerns of connecting the laboratory implementation of the changes made in a PCCP.
- Also addresses, transparency issues since the PCCP document is not intended to be released in its entirety to the public.
- Remaining concern of future regulatory issues around marketability of the changes that may or may not occur.
- Cloud based AI tools are going to need laboratories to update at a certain cadence, so they don't have to maintain older tools

## Implications and efforts

May surface issues that have not been thought about.

Define what level transparency will be essential for users to know about potential product changes.

- Education for manufactures on what eases laboratory implementation
- Education for pathologists on how a product with a PCCP could change overtime and what that means for laboratory verification.

### Key elements, next steps, timeline

- Needs **real world data**
- Performance criteria
- Establish **reference standards** during development
- **Pre-development subgroup analysis** to identify covariates

### Pros for Patient, Clinical, R&D, and regulatory

- Patient: more **robust devices** cleared that can better handle diverse population
- Regulatory: quicker submission TAT
- R&D: structured study design with **clarity** for what regulatory wants

Framework for characterizing model variability during the device development and how it can inform validation study

### Concerns for patients, clinical, R&D, and regulatory

- Patient: Trust that covariate analysis doesn't miss any subgroups
- R&D: more expensive development, more effort to do pre-development subgroup assessments

### Implications and efforts

- Subgroup assessments for one use case could help **generalize** for other use cases
- More work required by R&D
- Regulatory is better equipped to deal with submission -> incentivizes industry to use framework