



PATHFINDER MEDICAL DEVICE INITIAL REVIEW QUESTIONS

These 50 questions are meant for novel products in the conceptual development stage. They are by no means comprehensive. We hope you find them useful at identifying the strengths and weaknesses of your project to date. You may wish to score your readiness with a point for every 'yes' answer, and compare with the suggested actions at the end.

Technology

Proof of concept demonstrated

Durability/Robustness and Sensitivity to Environmental conditions acceptable

General IEC60601-1-2 medical electrical equipment Electromagnetic Compatibility

IEC60601-1 - Basic safety of medical electrical equipment adequately considered

Product Specific standards considered?





Target users identified

User interviews conducted and documented at more than 2 sites

Use environment documented and adequately considered

User interface requirements documented

Workflow / Industrial Design / Human Factors

Workflow

Procedures observed and documented

Frequently used functions identified

Workflow mapped and possible solutions defined

Reasonably Foreseeable and Routine Violations misuse identified

Industrial Design

Focus groups evaluated possible solutions before detailed design

Marketing Brand adequately represented in solutions

Client expectations

Human Factors

Relevant anthropometric size ranges reviewed and documented

Ergonomic testing using mockups by real target users

Usability engineering in compliance with ISO62366





IP Status

IP filed

Claims cover critical innovations and are protective

Competitive prior art identified and Freedom to Operate considered

Data/Connectivity

Report generation considered?

On board database required - HIPAA adequately considered?

Connectivity required? Appropriate standard identified?

Wireless required? Communication standard identified?

Value Chain

COGs target understood

Target price identified

Gross margin target determined

Manufacturing costs allowed for.

Reimbursement

Existing reimbursement identified

Reimbursement advisors identified (if necessary)

Reimbursement strategy defined



Regulatory Compliance

Risk Class identified for FDA and CE Marking

ISO 13485 certification planned or in place (for Canada/EU sales) and/or

FDA-compliant Quality Management System in place and being followed

Detailed specification exists (each spec referenced in verification test plan)

Relevant FDA guidance documents considered?

Risk Management

Preliminary Hazard Identification/Risk Assessment performed

Preliminary Risk of harm to patient or operator quantified in accordance with

ISO14971 (2007 or 2012 as applicable)

Adequate mitigation of critical risks demonstrated

Project risks identified

Design for Manufacturability and Test

Manufacturing processes identified for all significant components

Tight tolerances identified and repeatable achievable

Critical components are reliably obtainable in right quality

Design for Service

Service method identified

Shippability of service components considered

On board/remote diagnostics considered



Disposables Strategy

Disposable/consumable component(s) identified and justifiable to end user

Process Validation planned for? (e.g. sterilization, microfluidic injection molding)

Disposables margins appropriate for business model?

SCORING

The questionnaire is primarily intended as a sanity check to identify strengths and weaknesses of your project to date. However, a simple scoring rationale could be apportioned as shown below:

- 35 or more: Almost Ready for Product Realization and Detailed Design,
 some tweaking may be required
- 18 34: Review Pathfinder white paper and consider which remaining questions are required before detailed design can begin
- Up to 17: Early in the realization process. Consider a free Pathfinder consultation with StarFish to prioritize key questions which will progress project to next stage

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