

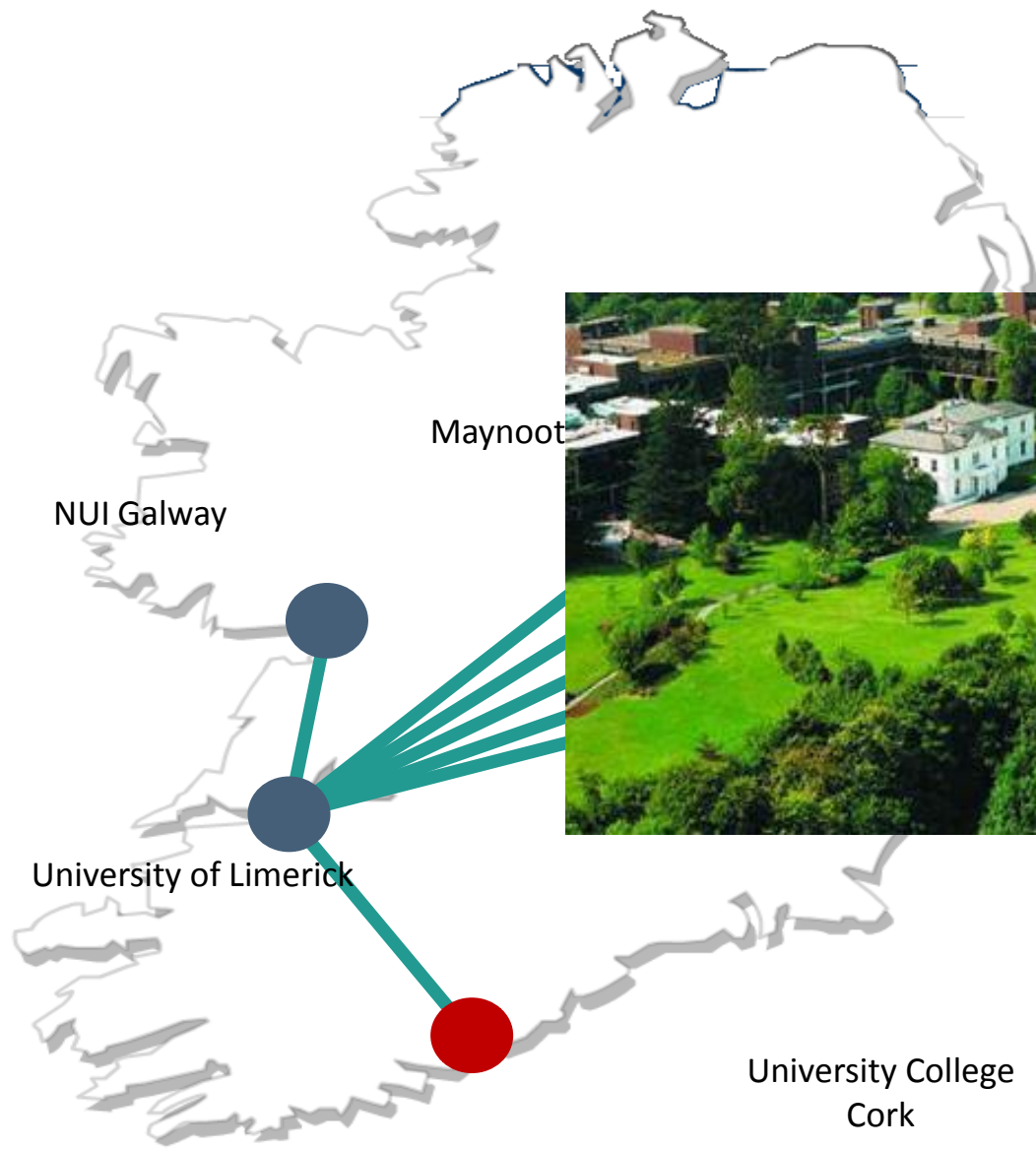


 **Lero** THE IRISH SOFTWARE
RESEARCH CENTRE

Overview of Lero Research

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NUI Galway

University of Limerick

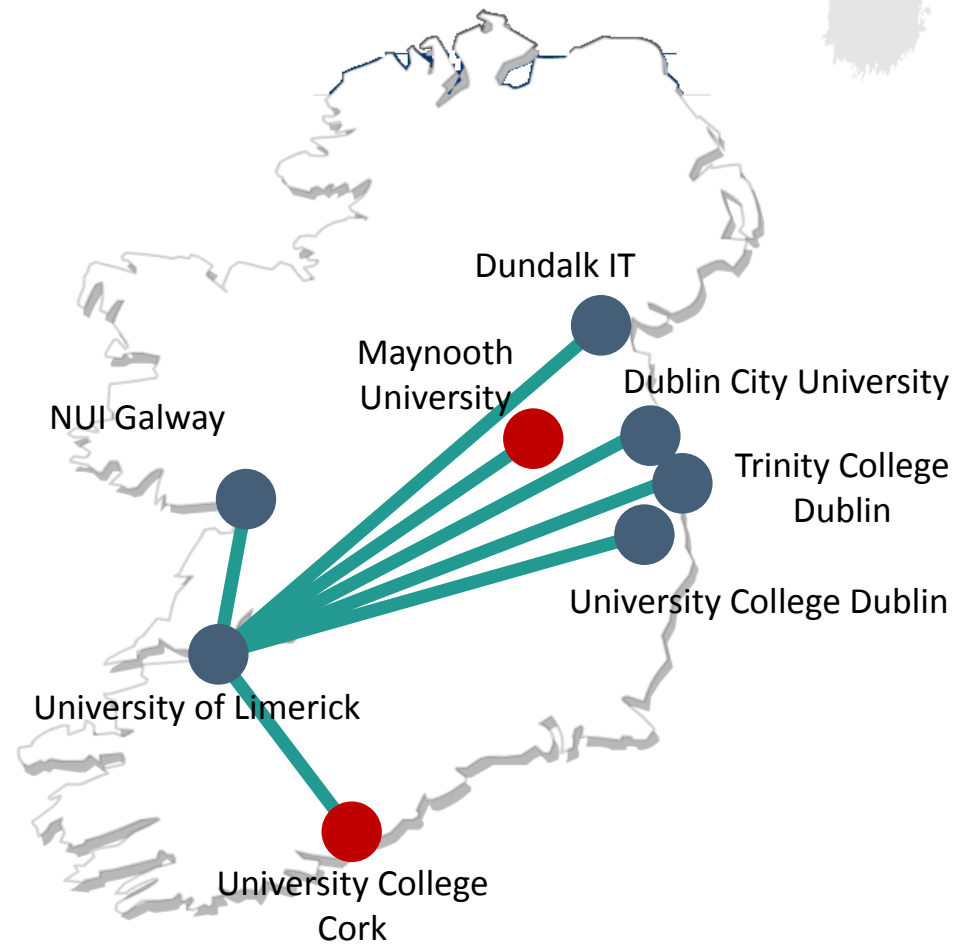
University College
Cork

Limerick



Lero: A National Research Centre

- Funded as an SFI CSET in 2005, extended in 2011. Awarded over €60M in research funding from multiple sources
- Currently 40+ academics, 38 researchers and c. 70 PhD students
- Output to date: 324 journal papers, 25 books and 672 conference papers
- Worked with over 100 software companies in Ireland and the EU
- Recently announced funding as an SFI Research Centre 2015-2020 at a 50% greater scale with two new academic members



● New Academic Members

The Lero Research Centre Team



The quality of the applicants is the key strong point of the proposal... one can expect world-class output from its individual members

Academic Team

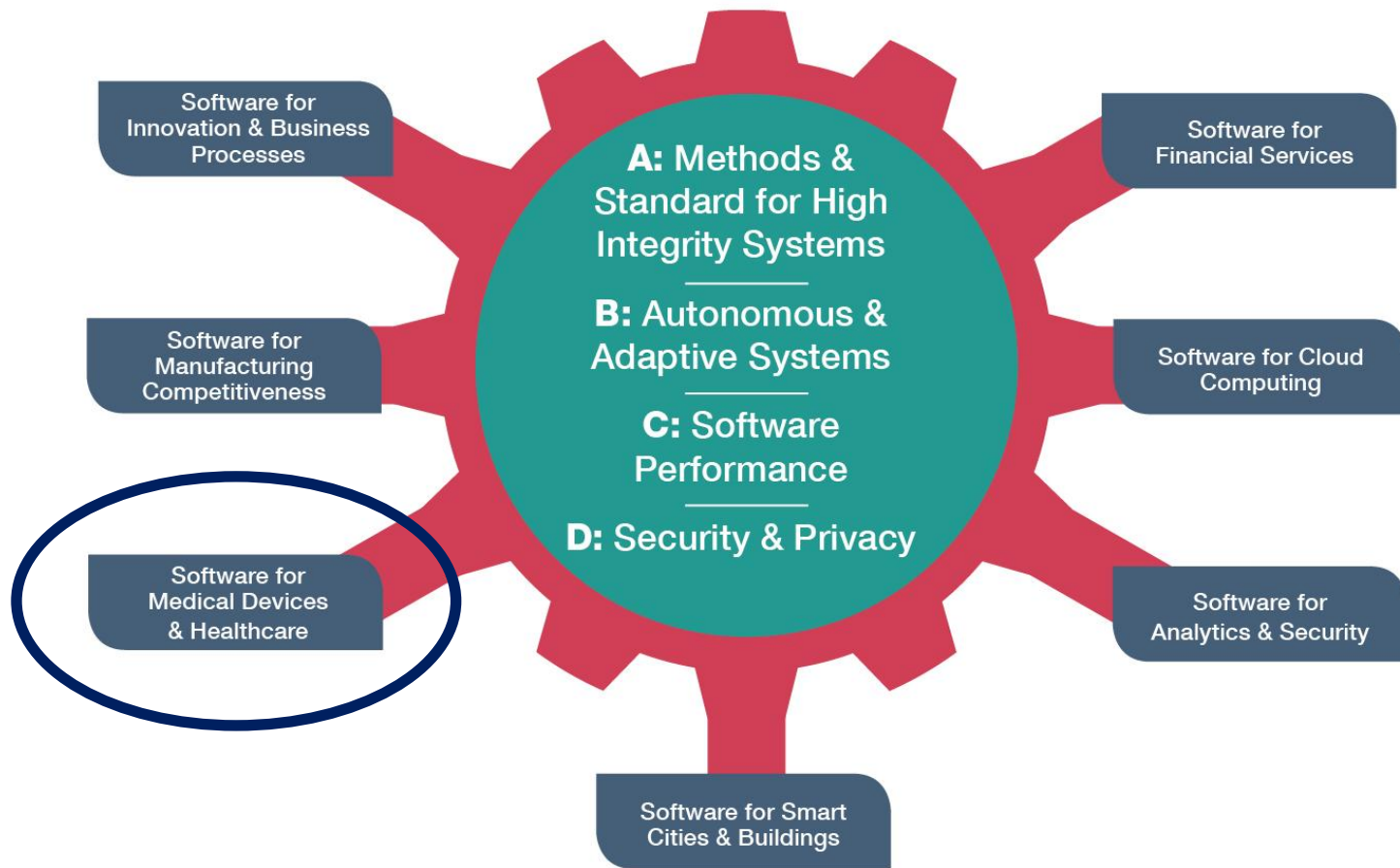
- *SFI Scientific Review*

Industry Team

- World class – best research in Ireland from all the universities
- 70,000 citations
- 6 Spinouts, 26 patents (+ 20 pending)
- 11 licences and 5 standards

- International household names to small local companies
- Multiple industry sectors
- Committed ~€14m in contributions (€4.6m cash)

Lero Hub & Spoke Research



- Hub comprises four core research areas
- Spokes focus on key priority areas addressing challenges faced by industry partners

Lero Metrics: 5Ps



Publications

- Quantity→ Quality
- Top journal/conferences
- Impact/citations



Personnel

- Postdocs
- PhDs
- Industry-based Phds (D.Eng)
- Parnas Fellow



Projects (Funding)



Practice Impact



Prestige





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**Medical Device and Healthcare
Research**

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Software embedded in Medical Devices

Software within Medical Devices
Up to 70% of budget on software related activities



Medical Device Software - External



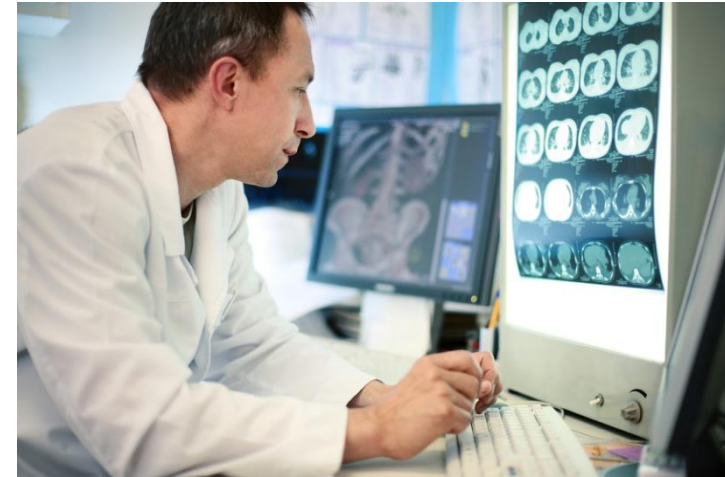
Software in
Medical Device
production lines



Healthcare software

Software manipulating Clinical data

Health Information Systems



RESEARCH CHALLENGES (SOFTWARE)

Medical Devices and Healthcare

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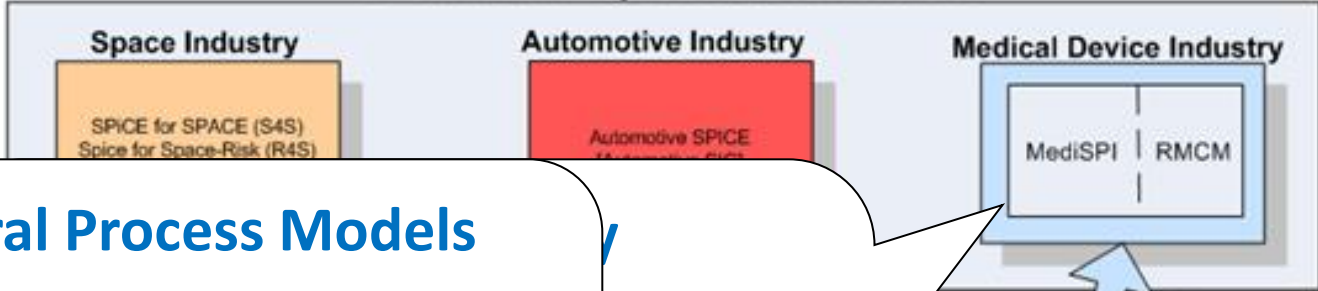
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EU Directives - 2007, 1993

-software in its own right, when specifically intended by the manufacturer to be used for one or more of the medical purposes set out in the definition of a medical device, is a medical device. Software for general purposes when used in a healthcare setting is not a medical device
- 'medical device' means any instrument, apparatus, appliance, material or other article, whether used alone or in combination, including the software necessary for its proper application intended by the manufacturer to be used for human beings for the purpose of: - diagnosis, prevention, monitoring, treatment or alleviation of disease injury or

Domain Specific Models



CMMI
ISO 12207
FDA Guidance Documents
ISO 14971
AAMI SW68
GAMP 4

General Process Models

CMMI

ISO15504

Various lifecycles e.g.

RUP, AGILE

FDA Guidance Documents

Risk Metrics & Attributes
[Hyatt, Rosenberg '96]

and Practices
[Boehm '89, '91]
[Brooks '87]
[Bell '89]
Perspectives
Risk Taxonomy
[SEI - Carnegie Mellon]

Methodological (Process)
Lifecycle (Specification, Contractor Selection, Design & Development, Systems Integration)
Human Dimension (Individual, Management, Team, Stakeholder)

Effect on Software Industry

- Standards not developed specifically for software development
- Software Engineers must be aware of regulatory requirements
- Software Engineers must be able to adapt software process to support regulatory requirements
- Software process models have not been developed based on regulatory requirements
 - Capability Maturity Model Integrated
 - ISO15504



Software Quality Improvement

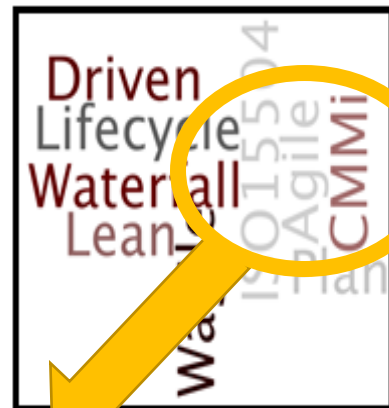
Environment



Domain



Software Process



Evolving Process Drivers

Process Models

Lero Implementations

Global Teaming

D-SE

Lean Med

Sales4

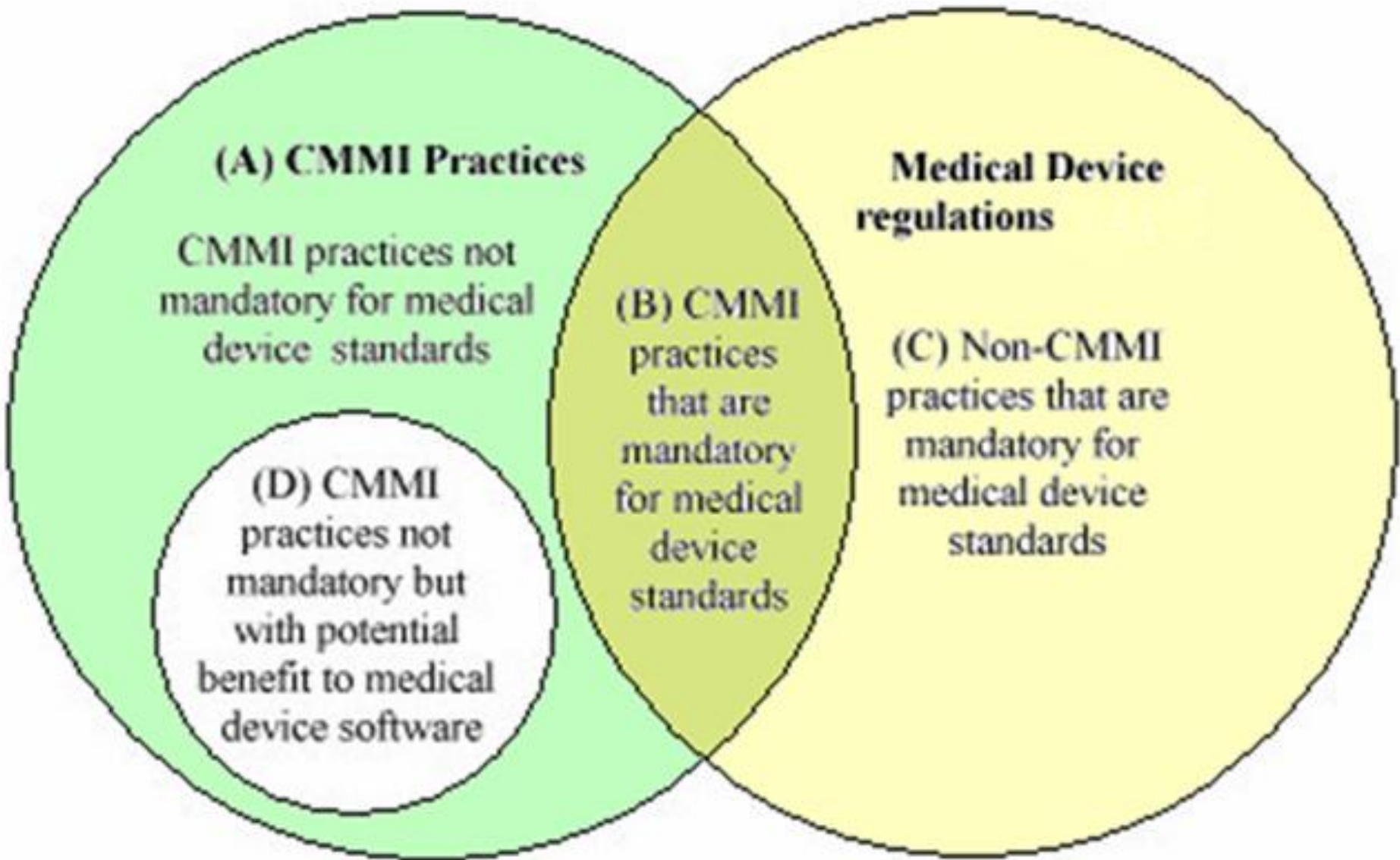
Many Others

Medical Device / CMMi

Evolving Software Quality Systems

H-QAP	RMCM	Kotters Agile
HSE	Vitalograph	Cadence

MDevSPICE



Regulations

- Code of Federal Regulations – Title 21
Section 820 (21CFR820 2009)
 - Food & Drug Administration (FDA) Regulation
- Sec 820.181 – Device Master Record
 - Equivalent to Requirements Specification
- Sec 820.184 Device History Record
 - Class I software - traceability and identification

Requirements Development

SG1 Develop Customer Requirements

No.	Deliverable	Legislation
SP 1.1	Documented methods for need elicitation	21CFR820 – Section 181/184 – Device Master Record(DMR) /Device History Record(DHR) – Production process specifications
SP 1.2	Customer Requirements	DMR
SP 1.2	Customer constraints on the conduct of verification	DMR
SP 1.2	Customer constraints on the conduct of validation	DMR

RD: SG1 Checklist

SP 1.1	Are stakeholder needs being recorded?
SP 1.1	Have business goals being documented?
SP 1.1	Have any relevant legal requirements been elicited?
SP 1.2	Is there any missing information which at the end of the requirements consolidation which needs to be addressed? There should be none.
SP 1.2	Are all conflicts resolved, and the decisions and reasoning documented?

Risk Management

Goal	CMMI[®] Activities	CMMI[®] Activities required to meet regulatory requirements	Additional Activities required to meet regulatory requirements)
SG 1: Prepare for risk management	6	6	10
SG 2: Identify and Analyse Risks	9	4	4
SG 3: Mitigate Risks	9	6	6
Sub Total	24	16	20
GG2: Institutionalise a Managed Process	10	6	0
GG3: Institutionalise a Defined Process	2	0	0
GG4: Institutionalise a Quantitatively Managed Process	2	0	0
GG5: Institutionalise an Optimising Process	2	0	0
Total	40	22	20

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How can we implement product use and implementation in healthcare situations?

How can we integrate technology, data and processes involving stakeholders?

Medical
Device
Standards
combined
with
Software
Standards

MDevSPICE

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Analysis

- Published Research
 - Medical Inquiries, Academic Research, Standards and Regulations (Medical and Software)
- Use of Software & Technology
 - Participant observation, Study of Documentation, Interviews, Focus Groups, Workshops

Results:

Hospital Information Systems

- Information systems used hospital wide
- Information systems used specifically by single departments
- Information systems are used personally by clinicians
- No integrated electronic patient record (EPR)
- Primary medical record is paper based

Results: Clinicians

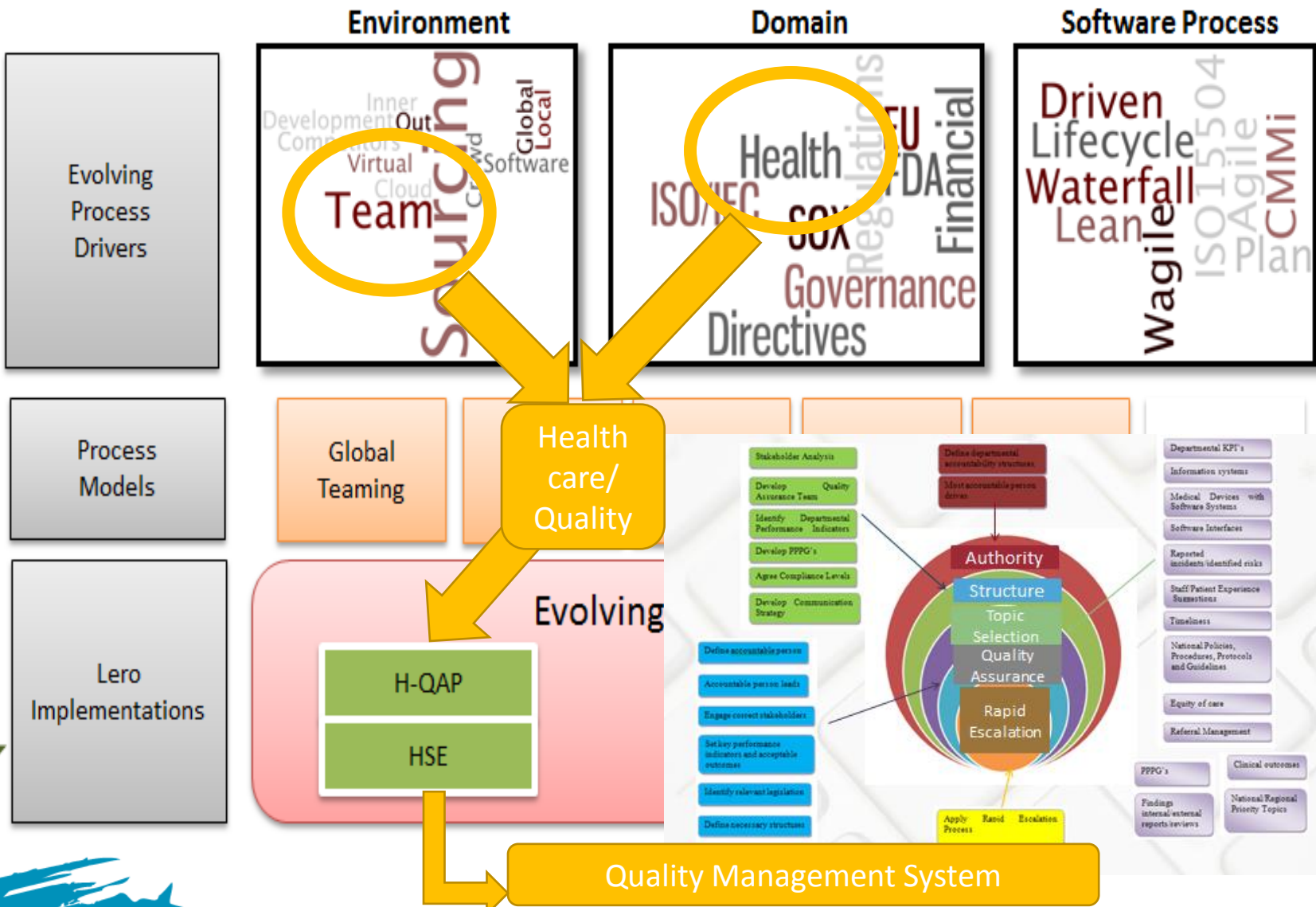
- Healthcare needs to evolve with technology

HOWEVER Clinicians do not understand:

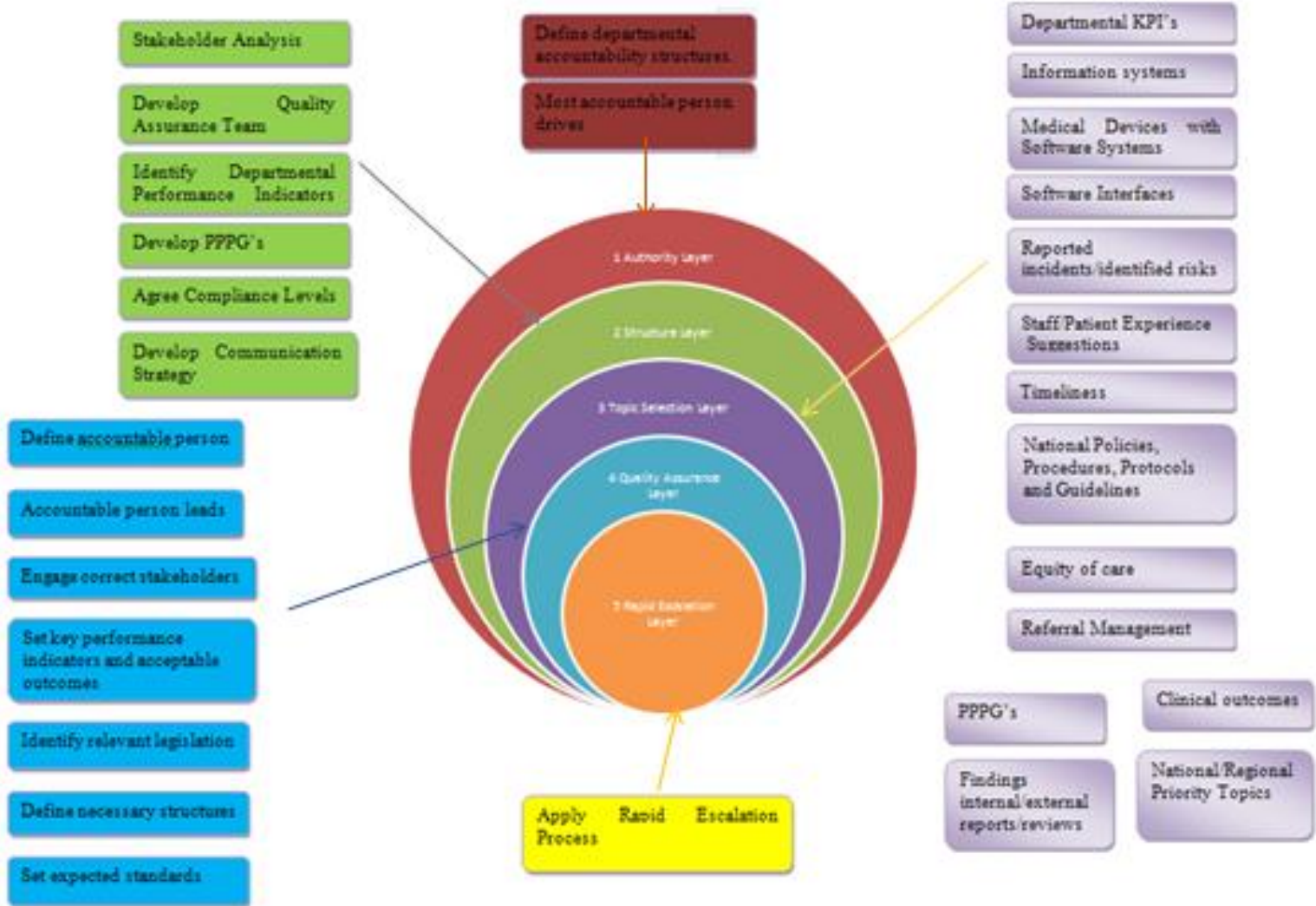
- Quality Requirements in the Clinical Environment for use of technology
- Regulations regarding the development of software which includes excel and mobile phone apps
- Risk involved in manipulating data from a certified Medical Device



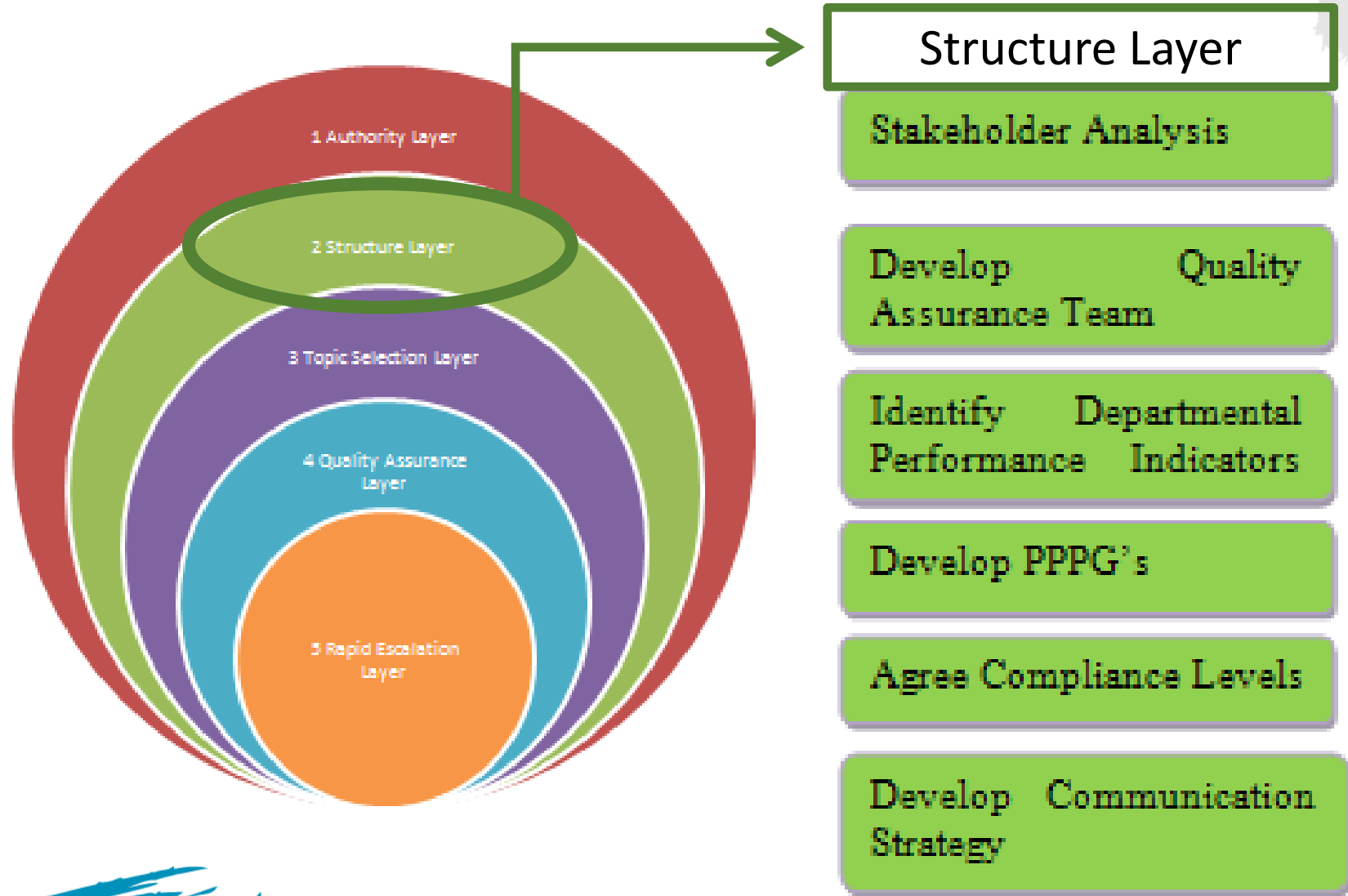
Software Quality Improvement



Hospital Quality Assurance Program: H-QAP



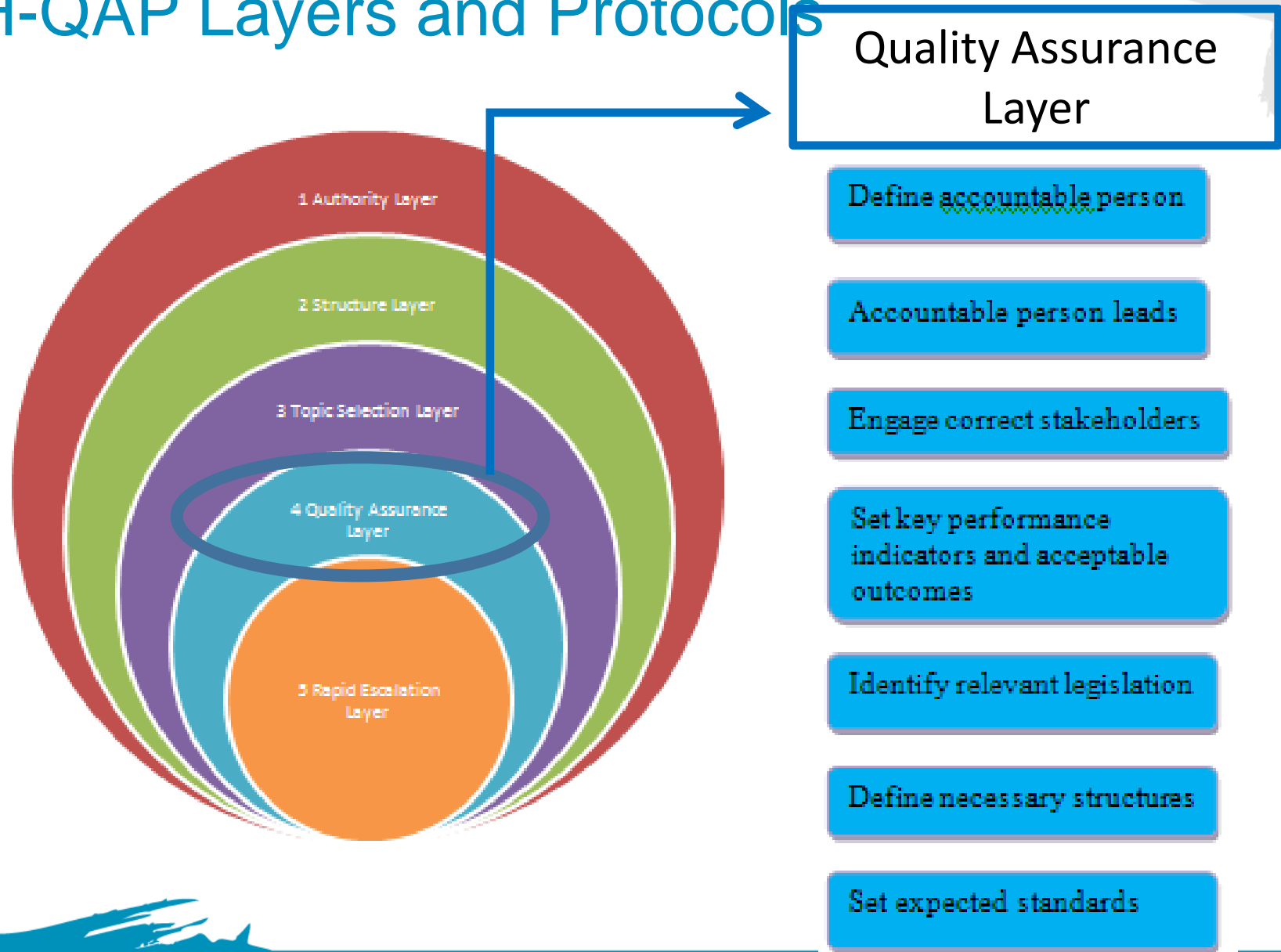
H-QAP Layers and Protocols



Structure Layer: Implementation

- Focus on Radiology Department
 - Correct diagnosis within acceptable timeframe
 - Radiation ALARA principle
 - As Little As Reasonably Achievable
- Quality Requirement
 - Software engineers ensures MD software correct
 - Physicist calibrates MD
 - Radiographer uses MD correctly
 - Radiologist reviews and reports diagnosis

H-QAP Layers and Protocols



Quality Assurance Layer: Implementation

- Focus on Shoulder X-Ray measures regarding:
 - Policies regarding angle, contrast, view
 - Standards for shoulder imaging
- Defining data collection
 - Percentage of incorrectly taken x-rays
 - Number of times patients were x-rayed
- Data reporting defined

Departmental shoulder protocol



AP view



Axial view

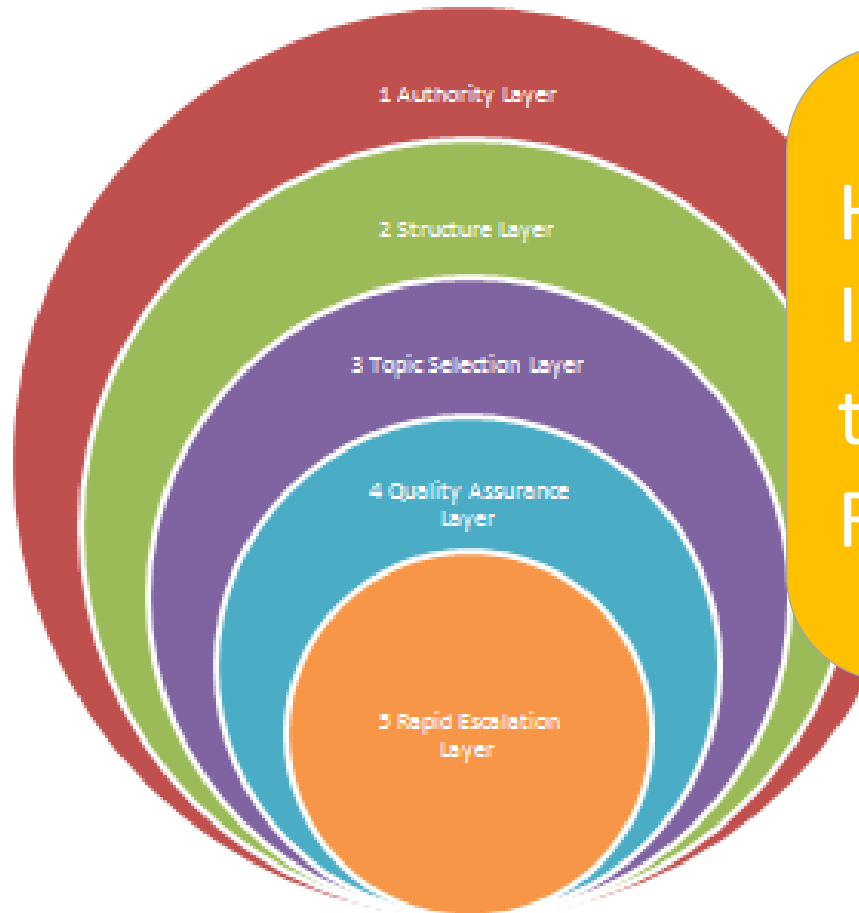


Y-view



Garth view

H-QAP Layers and Protocols



H-QAP Implementation:
Improvement from 54%
to 95% compliance in X-
Ray department

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Implementing
Quality in Health
care Software

Software Quality
Management Systems

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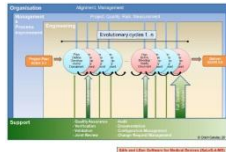
Smart Travel



Smart Health (Connected)

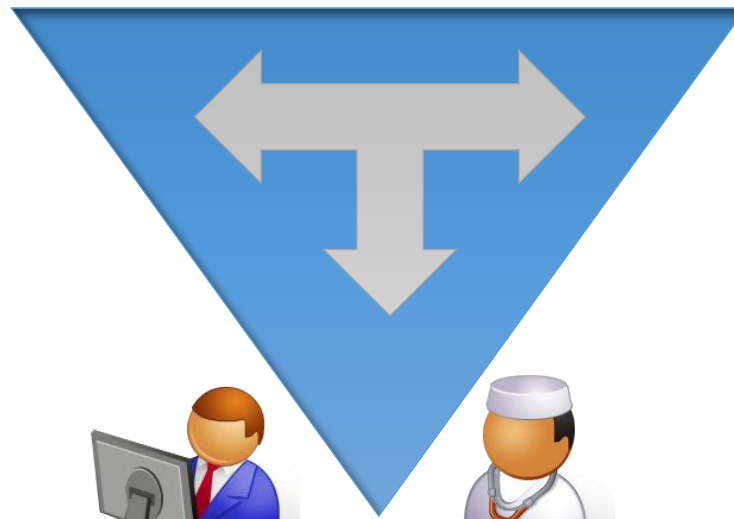
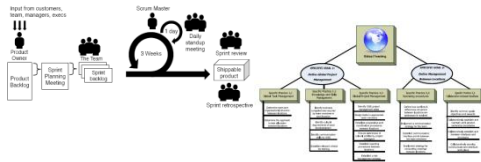


How does 'Smart' happen?

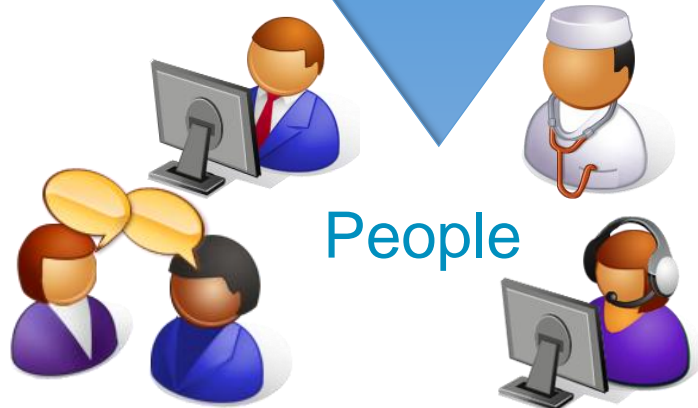


Processes

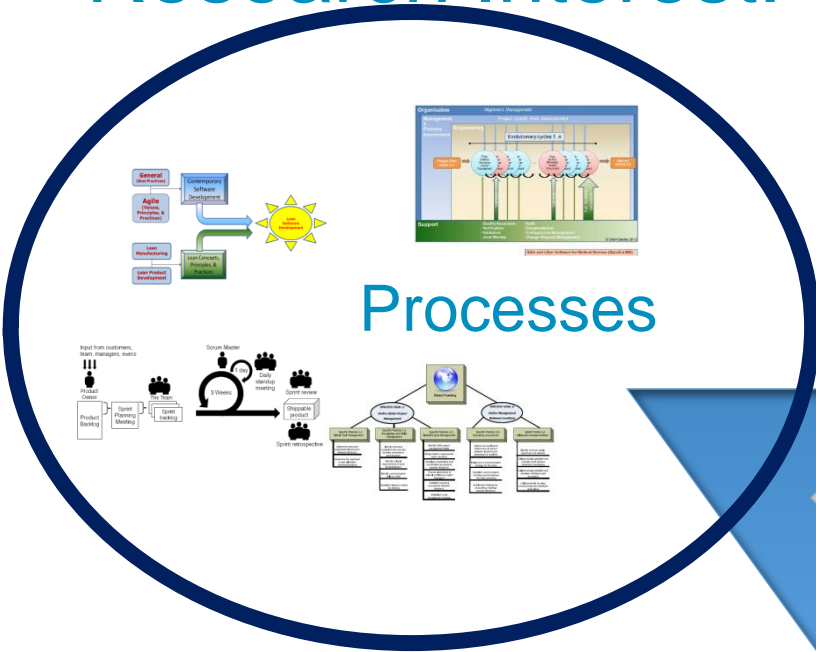
Technology



People



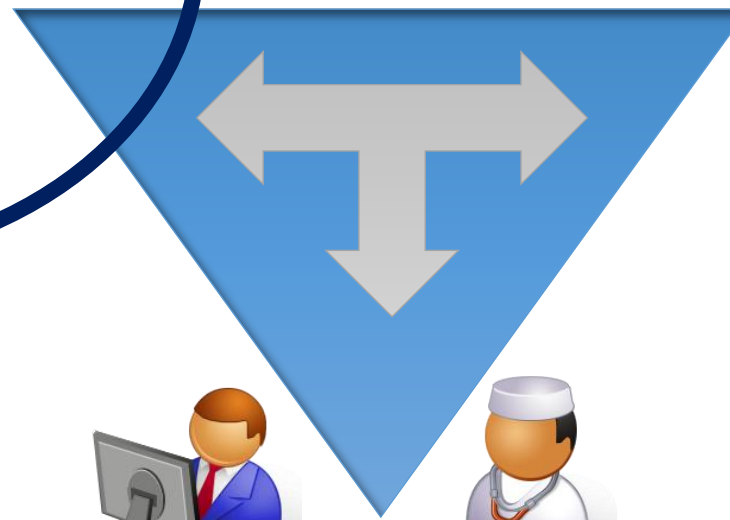
Research Interest: Connected Health



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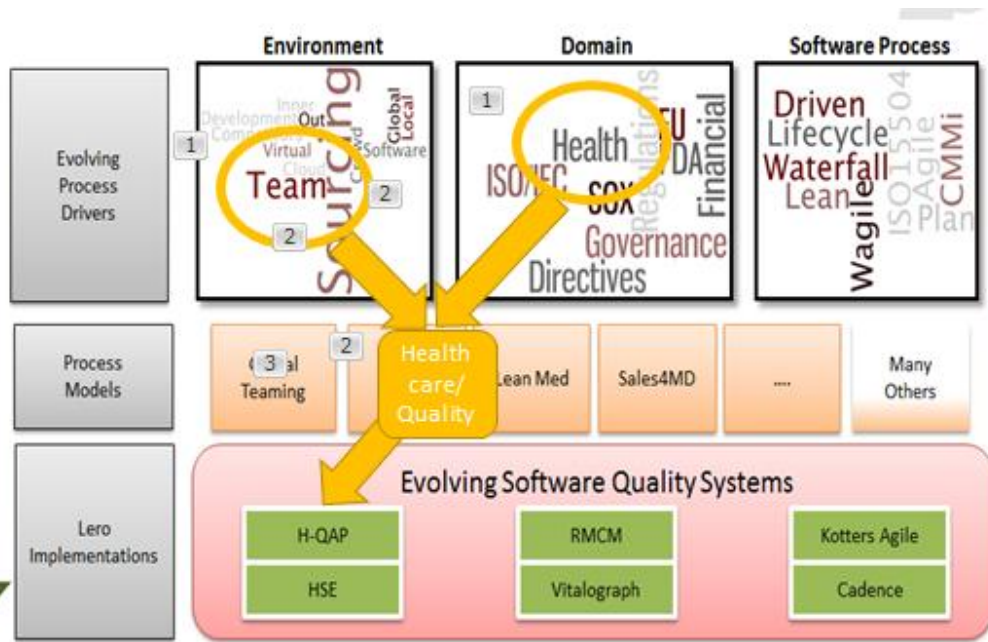
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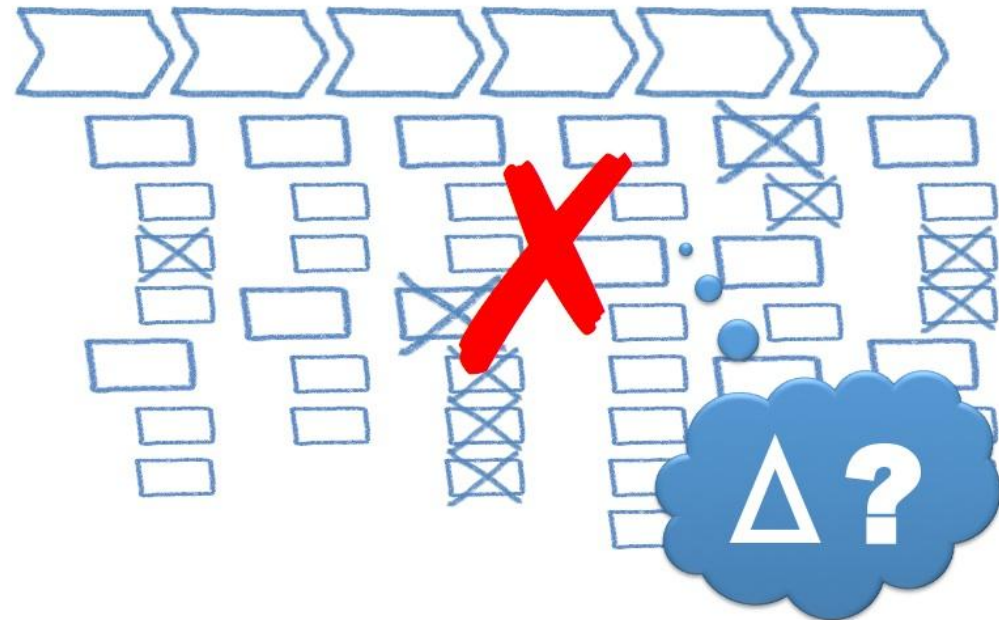


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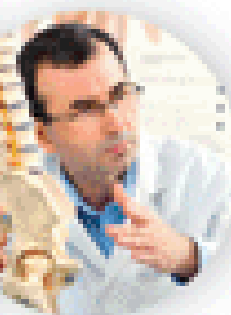


MODELLING

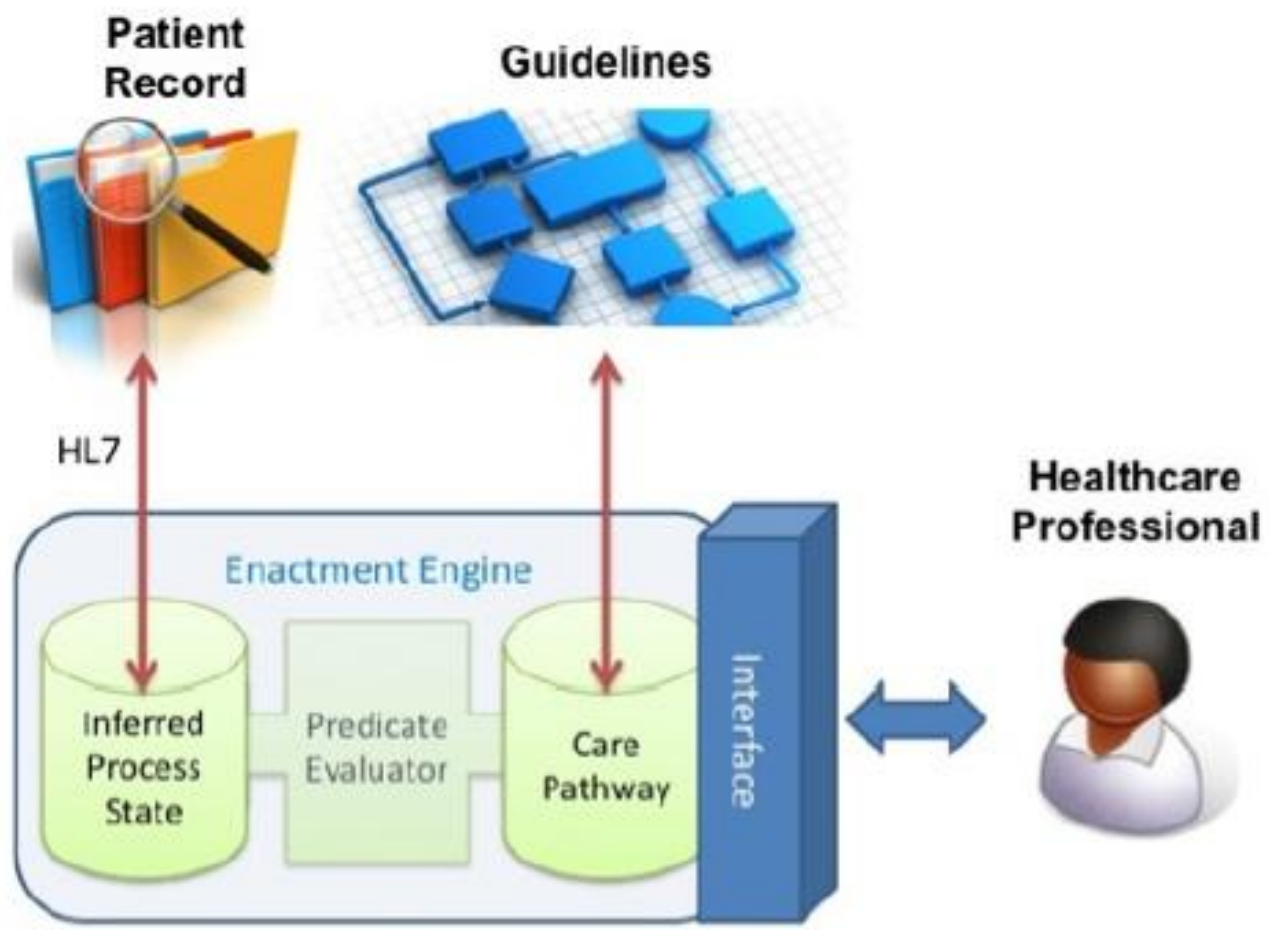
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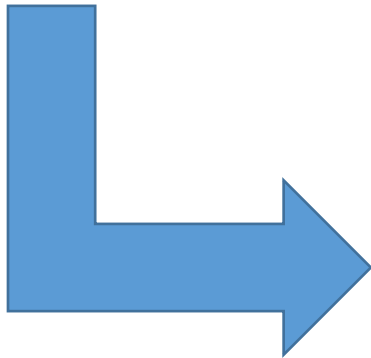
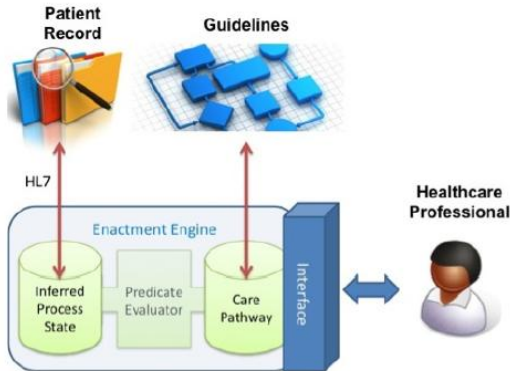
HUMAN COMPUTER INTERACTION



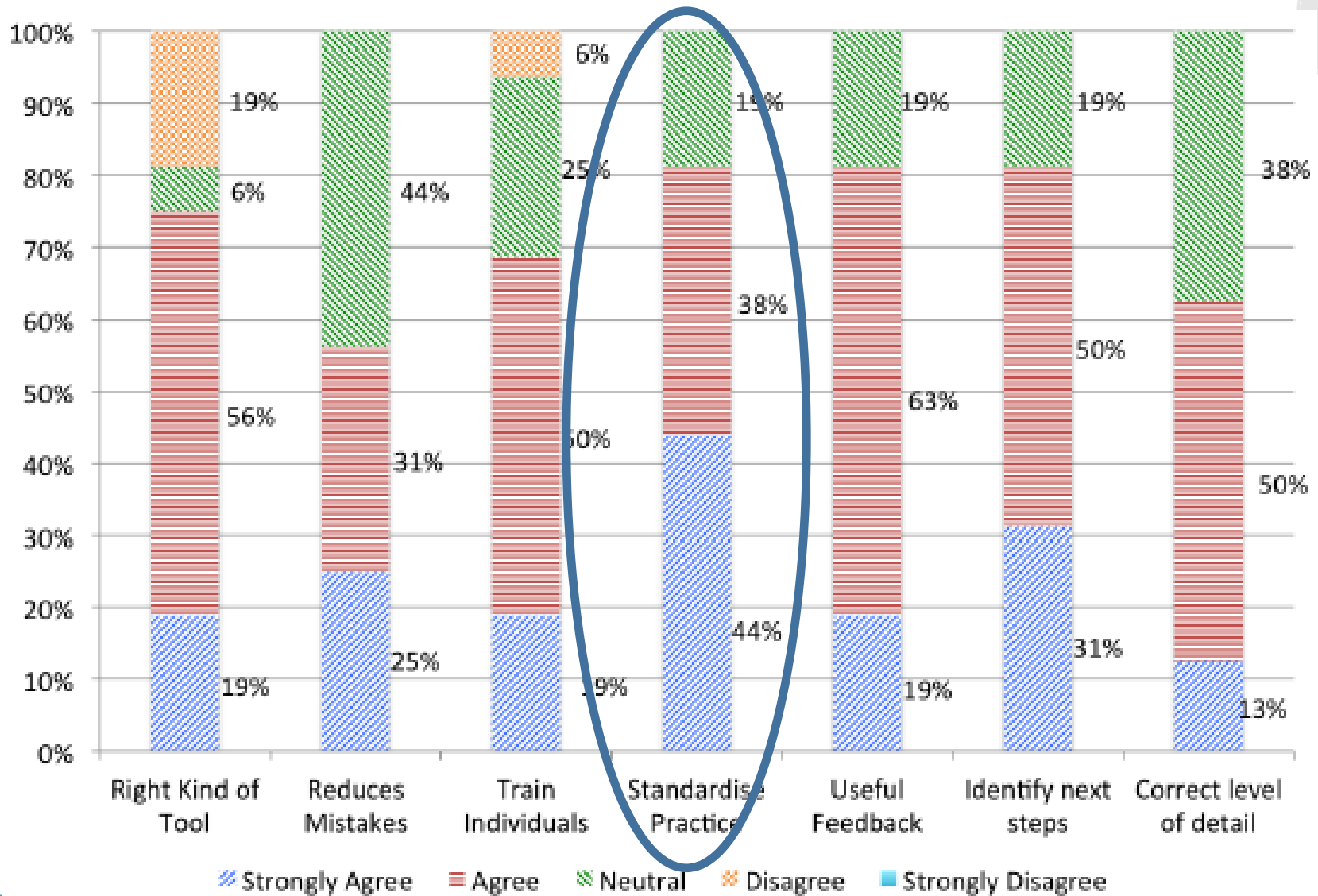
Implementation: Architecture



Implementation: Decision Support System



System Evaluation: 19 experts



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Medical Devices and Healthcare

How can we ensure engineering processes

comply with

Process Models,
Tailoring,
Implementation

Implementation of Process
Solutions

How can we

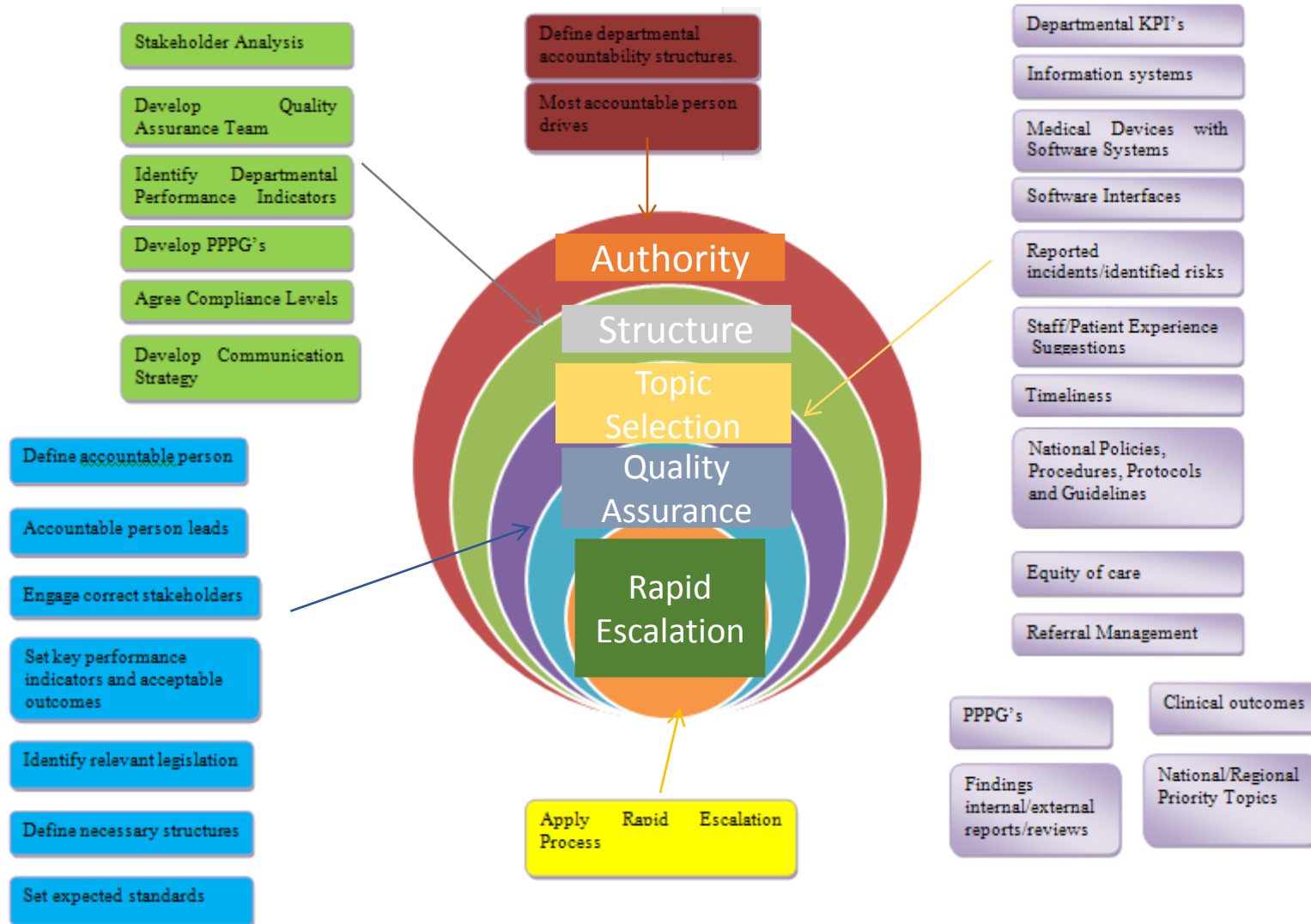
implement

situations?

in healthcare

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Hospital Quality Assurance Program



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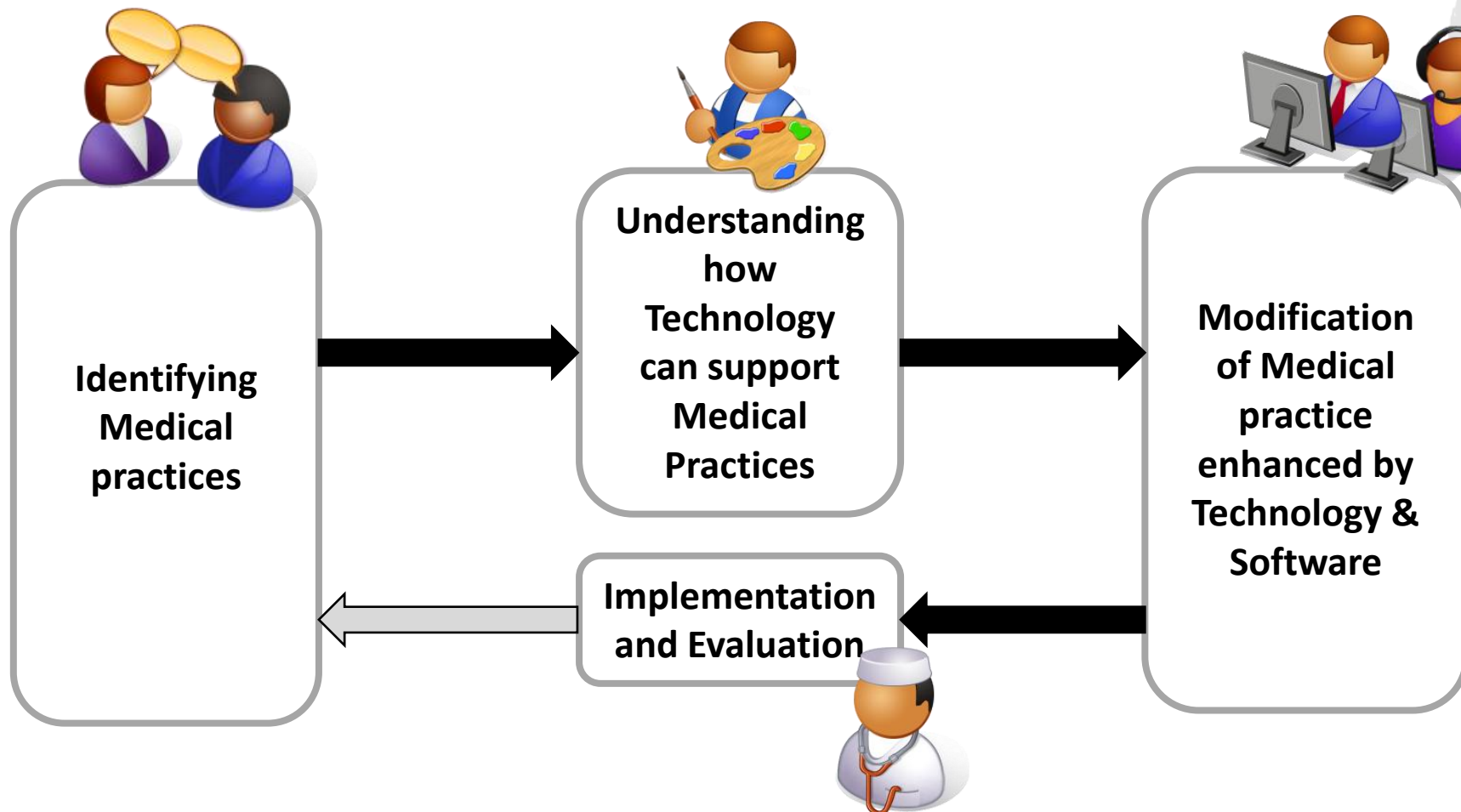
HOW SOFTWARE HELPED REDUCE ELDERLY FALLS



ouise Reid, PhD student, developed a Hospital Quality

identified that technology would help them to change practice. Now, through the use of sensor mats and

Connected Health into the future!



Regulation will be important!

If you want to develop Software for Connected Health solutions

- Inter-disciplinary team
- Qualified (experienced) Software Engineer on your team
- User-centric
 - Not Technic-centric!
- Understand whether they are ‘wellness’ or ‘Medical Device’
- Build in (allowance for) Regulations from the

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