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INTRODUCTION

This technical report is a step-by-step guide to help in the application of RISK MANAGEMENT when creating or changing a MEDICAL IT-NETWORK. It provides easy to apply steps, examples, and information helping in the identification and control of RISKS. All relevant requirements in IEC 80001-1:2010 are addressed and links to other clauses and subclauses of IEC 80001-1 are addressed where appropriate (e.g. handover to release management and monitoring).

This technical report focuses on practical RISK MANAGEMENT. It is not intended to provide a full outline or explanation of all requirements that are satisfactorily covered by IEC 80001-1.

This step-by-step guidance follows a 10-step PROCESS that follows subclause 4.4 of IEC 80001-1:2010, which specifically addresses RISK ANALYSIS, RISK EVALUATION and RISK CONTROL. These activities are embedded within the full life cycle RISK MANAGEMENT PROCESS. They can never be the first step, as RISK MANAGEMENT follows the general PROCESS model which sets planning before any action.

For the purpose of this technical report, “prerequisites” as stated in subclause 1.3 are considered to be in place before execution of the 10 steps. Also, it is well understood that all steps outlined in this technical report should have been performed before any new MEDICAL IT-NETWORK can go live or before proceeding with a change to an existing MEDICAL IT-NETWORK. It is emphasized that subclause 4.5 of IEC 80001-1:2010 “CHANGE RELEASE MANAGEMENT and CONFIGURATION MANAGEMENT” explicitly includes and applies to new MEDICAL IT-NETWORKS, as well as changes to existing networks.

This technical report will be useful to those responsible for or part of a team executing RISK MANAGEMENT when changing or creating (as the ultimate change) a MEDICAL IT-NETWORK. MEDICAL DEVICES in the context of IEC 80001 refer to those MEDICAL DEVICES that connect to a network.
1 Scope

This technical report provides step-by-step information to aid RESPONSIBLE ORGANIZATIONS in implementation of the RISK MANAGEMENT PROCESS required by IEC 80001-1. Specifically, it details the steps involved in executing subclause 4.4 of IEC 80001-1:2010 and provides guidance in the form of a study of RISK MANAGEMENT terms, RISK MANAGEMENT steps, an explanation of each step, step-by-step examples, templates, and lists of HAZARDS and causes to consider.

The steps outlined within this technical report are considered to be universally applicable. Application of these steps can be scaled as described within this document.

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