

# Risk Management & the Total Product Life Cycle (TPLC)

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# Objectives

1. Applicable Regulations, Standards, & Guidance Documents
2. The Important of Risk Management
3. Key Risk Management Terms & Definitions
4. Risk Management Process


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# The Importance of Risk Management

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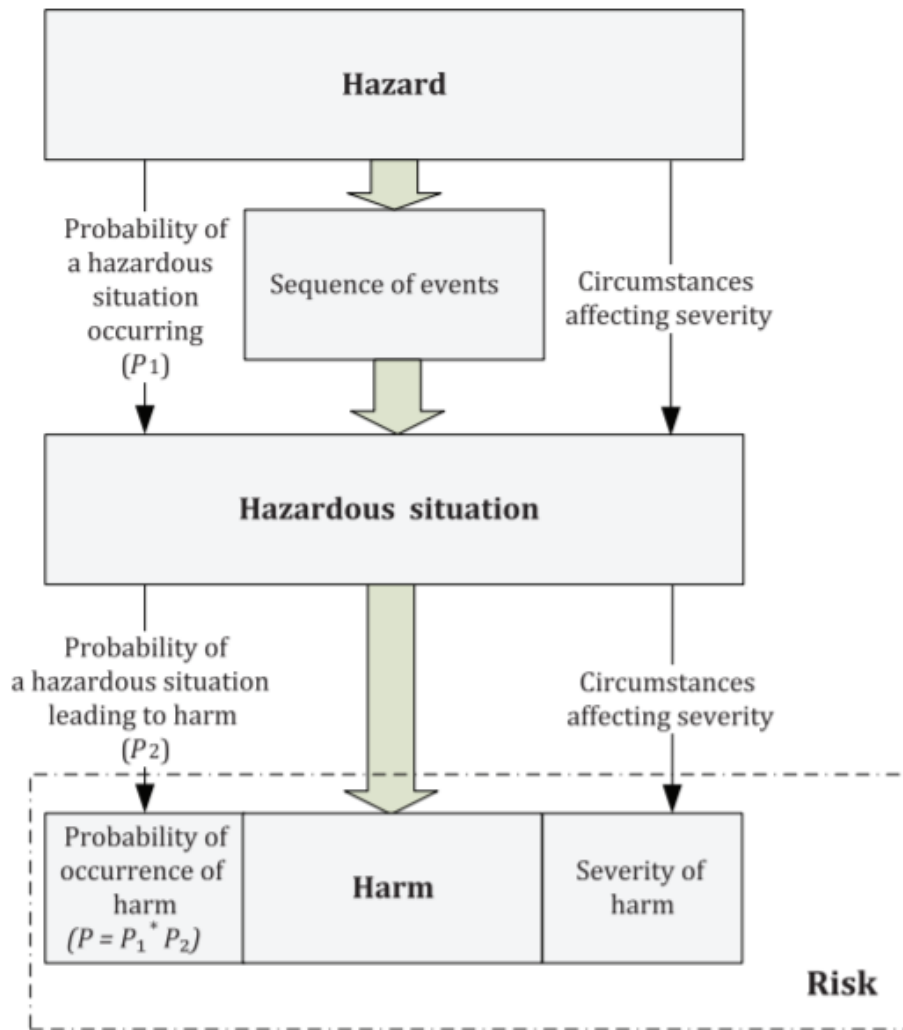
- Regulatory Requirement
- Required for Regulatory Submissions
- Good Business Practice & Cost Efficiency
- Safety



# Key Risk Management Terms:

- **Risk**
  - The combination of the probability of occurrence of harm and the severity of that harm
- **Benefit**
  - Positive impact or desirable outcome of the use of a medical device on the health of an individual, or a positive impact on patient management or public health
- **Harm**
  - Injury or damage to the health of people, or damage to property or the environment
- **Hazard**
  - Potential source of harm





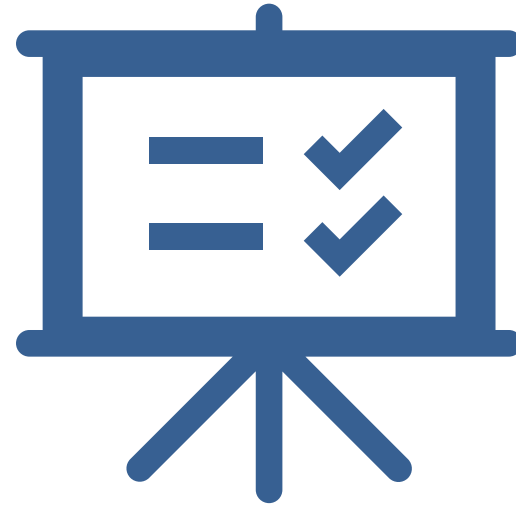


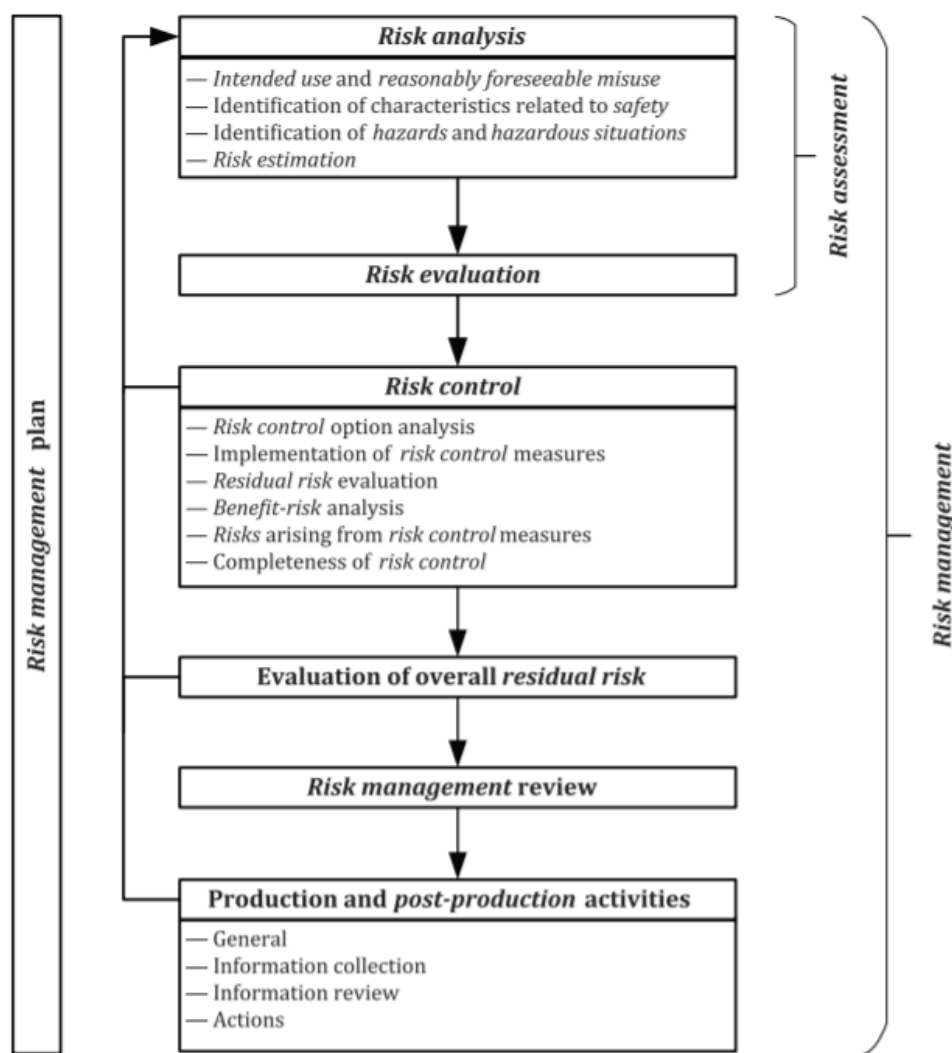
# Key Risk Management Terms:

- Risk Analysis
  - Systematic use of available information to identify hazards and to estimate the risk
- Risk Evaluation
  - Process of comparing the estimated risk against given risk criteria to determine the acceptability of the risk
- Risk Assessment
  - Overall process comprising a risk analysis and a risk evaluation
- Risk Management
  - Systemic application of management policies, procedures and practices to the tasks of analyzing, evaluating, controlling and monitoring risk
- Life Cycle (TPLC)
  - Series of all phases in the life of a medical device, from the initial conception to final decommissioning and disposal.

# Risk Management

Implementing a  
Process & Plan

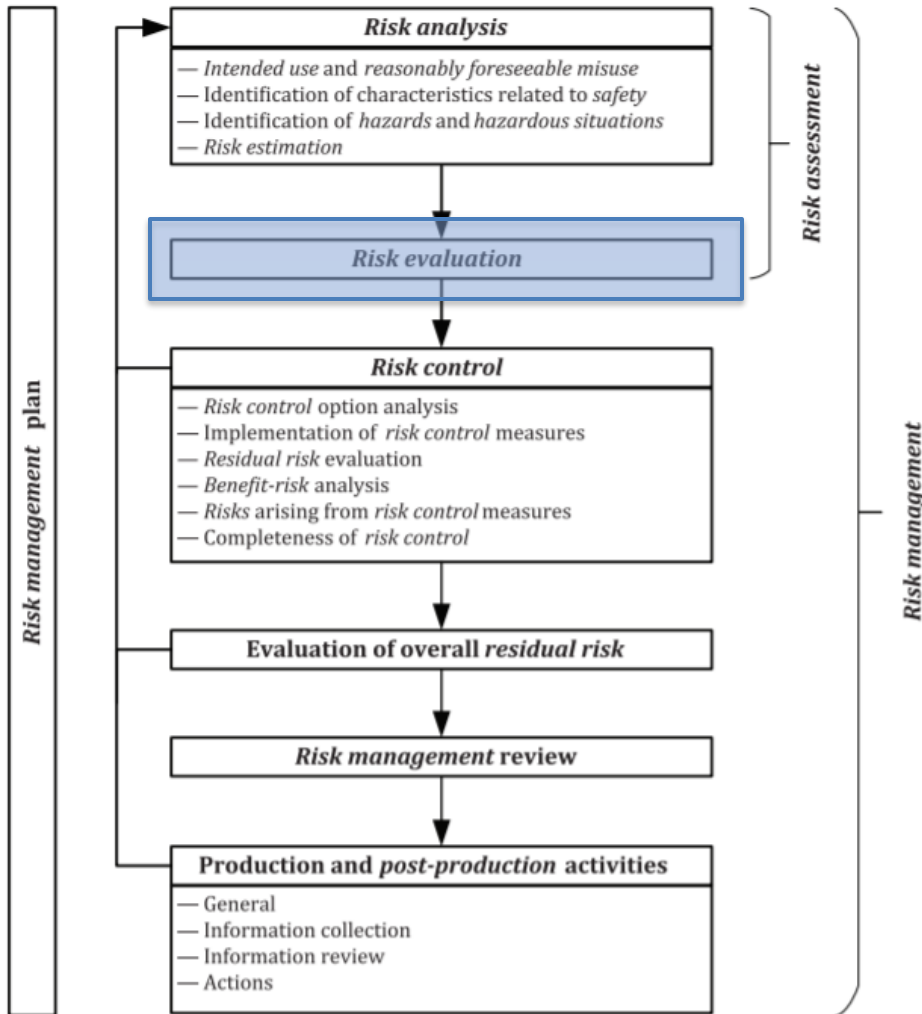




# Risk Analysis

- Intended use & reasonably foreseeable misuse
- Identification of characteristics related to safety
- Identification of hazards and hazardous situations
- Risk Estimation

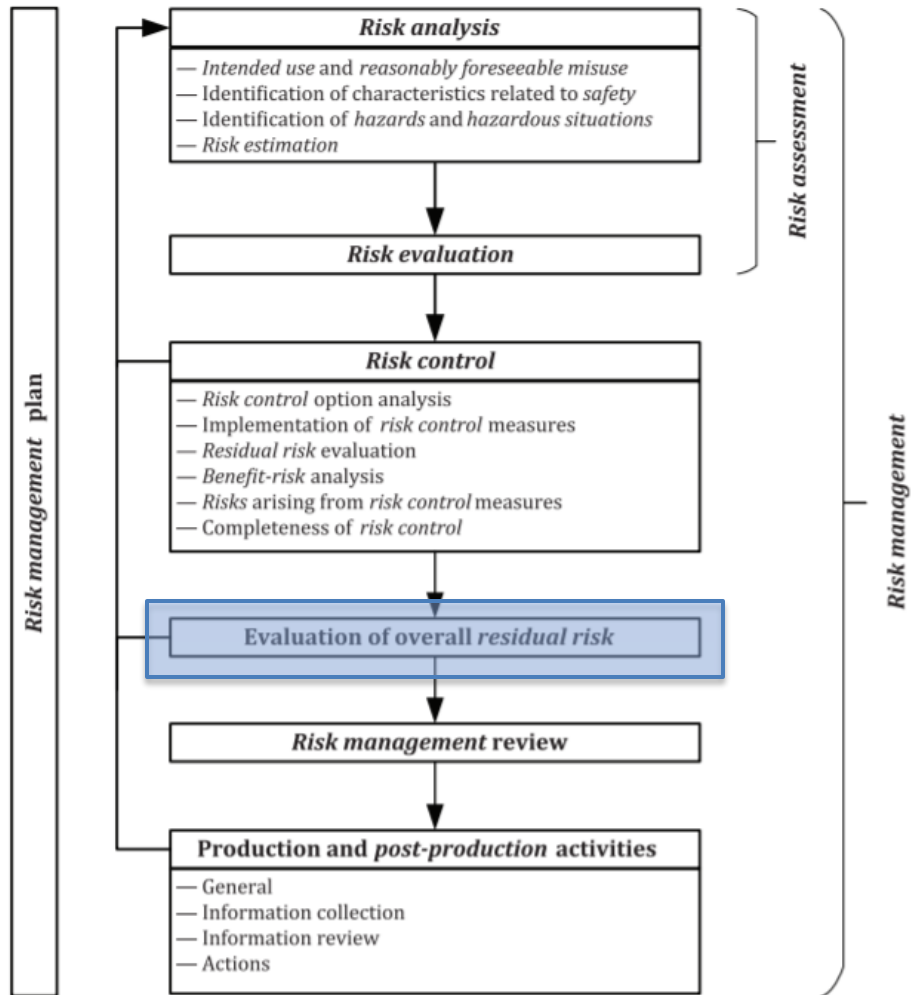
# Risk Evaluation



# Risk Control

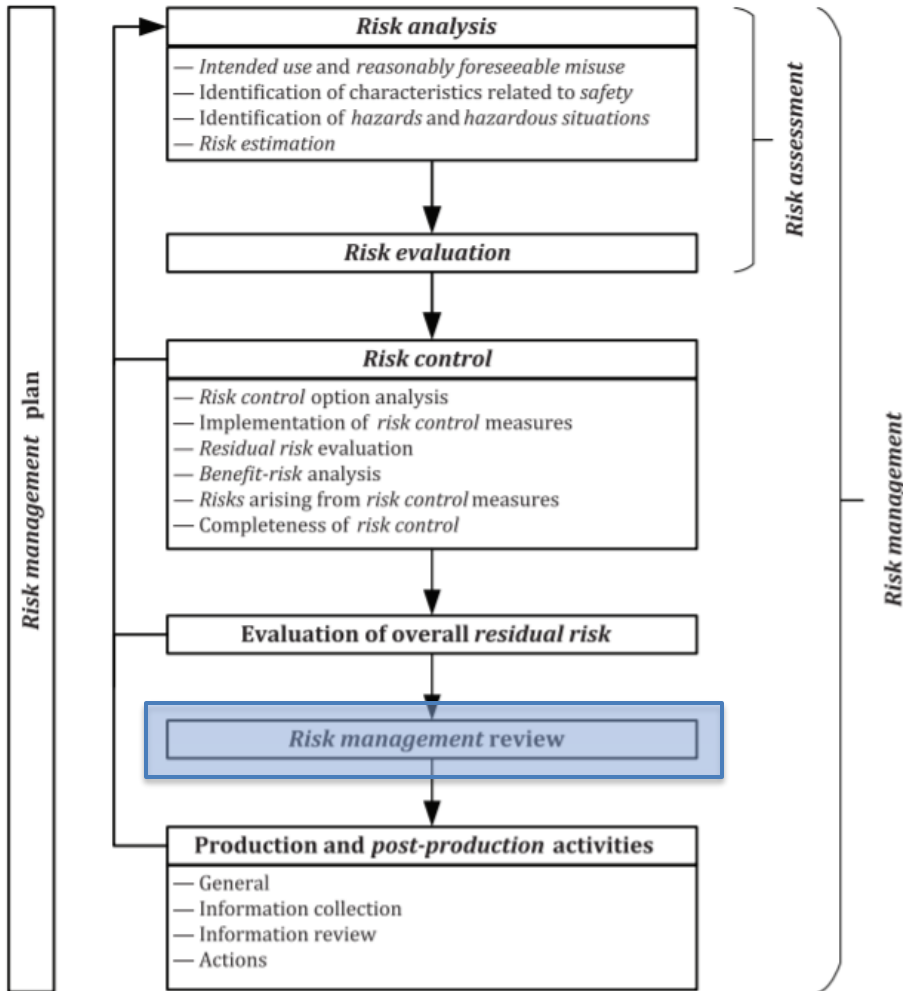
- Risk control option analysis
- Implementation of risk control measures
- Residual risk evaluation
- Benefit-risk analysis
- Risks arising from risk control measures
- Completeness of risk control

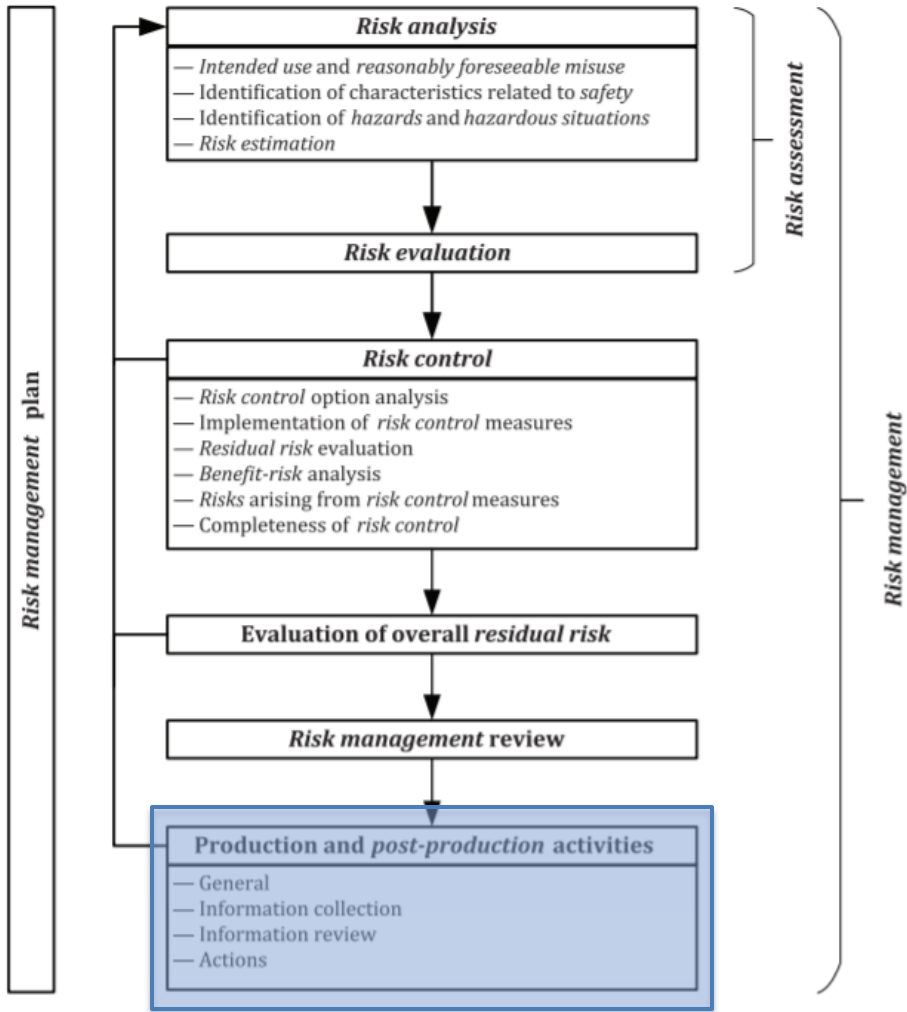
# Evaluation of Overall Residual Risk





# Risk Management Review





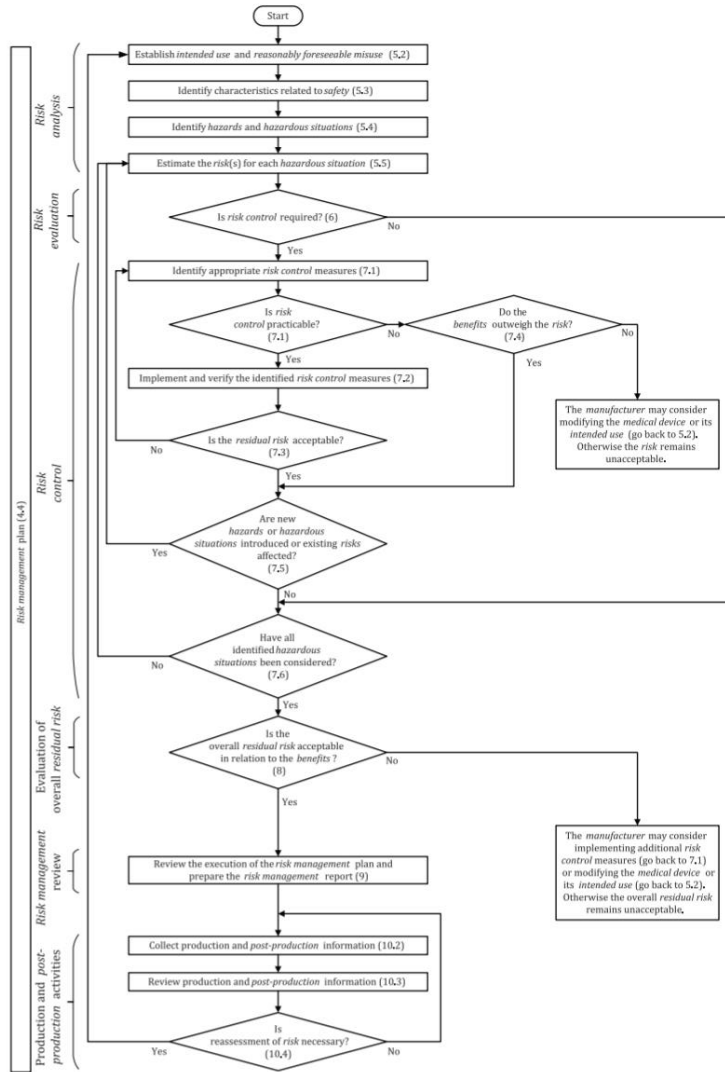
# Production and Post-Production Activities

## **A.2.10 Production and *post-production* activities**

It cannot be emphasized too often that *risk management* does not stop when a *medical device* goes into production. *Risk management* often begins with an idea, before there is any physical manifestation of the *medical device*. *Manufacturers* collect information from many sources, including experience with similar *medical devices* and technologies. *Risk estimation* is refined throughout the design *process* and can be made more accurate when a functioning prototype is built. However, no amount of modelling can substitute for an actual *medical device* in the hands of actual users.

# Production and Post-Production Activities

- General
- Information Collection
- Information Review
- Actions





# **Factors to Consider Regarding Benefit-Risk in Medical Device Product Availability, Compliance, and Enforcement Decisions**

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## **Guidance for Industry and Food and Drug Administration Staff**

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**The draft of this document was issued on June 16, 2016**

For questions about this document regarding CDRH-regulated devices, contact the Office of Compliance at 301-796-5900.



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# Questions?





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