

Workshop I How to prepare for an MDSAP Audit

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 Most industry attendees to the stakeholder day have already undergone an MDSAP audit.



 Your experience with MDSAP can help others to prepare for their upcoming audits.



- In small groups, answer the following four questions.
- We will share answers.



1. How did you prepare for your MDSAP audit?

2. What do you wish you had done to prepare for your MDSAP audit?



3. What types of information/communication should be exchanged between AOs and manufacturers to streamline the preparation for an MDSAP audit?

4. What could the regulatory authorities do?



 The following slides collate the comments received from the Stakeholder participants.



General Comment:

New audit = some level of fear



1. How did you prepare for your MDSAP Audit?

- Use of companion document
- Identify SMEs/procedures/pull out records that will be requested
- Organize procedures/records to facilitate the availability
- Provide all documents electronically
- Mock audits / internal audits
- There are resources available on the Internet
- Inputs to management review



1. How did you prepare for your MDSAP Audit?

- Educating / training / communication internally
- Give some time for people to realise that they already comply with MDSAP requirements
- Revisit CAPAs (from last 2 years) especially external NCs
- Exchange information with other firms (internal/external to corporation) about MDSAP audit experience
- Understand grading of NCs to be prepared to challenge auditors if necessary



2. What do you wish you had done to prepare for your MDSAP audit?

- Training to be at the same level as the auditors
- Keep in mind that the program is new to the auditors as well and they may not be as familiar with all the regulations as they are with ISO 13485
- Competency analysis
- Supplier analysis
- Plan better interfacing with functions done outside the audited facility (multi-site)



- 2. What do you wish you had done to prepare for your MDSAP audit?
- Be prepared to adjust to the vocabulary in the audit model (avoids misunderstandings)
- Plan stage 1 ahead of stage 2 with enough time to address issues



- 3. What type of information/communication should be exchanged between Auditing Organisations and manufacturers to streamline the preparation for an MDSAP audit?
- Stage 1 not completely meaningful
- Responsiveness to request for scheduling
- Training material



- 3. What type of information/communication should be exchanged between Auditing Organisations and manufacturers to streamline the preparation for an MDSAP audit?
- Description of activities at each site / interfaces
- Provide information for stage 1 early



4. What could Regulatory Authorities do?

- Feedback after the audit has taken place → no certificate issued yet but how did Regulatory Authorities look at report
- REPs with some publicly available information on performance (analytics)
- Difficulty identifying the risk classification of devices under all the different regulations
- Availability of regulations in English

