

# MODULE 1

## QUALIFICATION AND VALIDATION CONCEPTS

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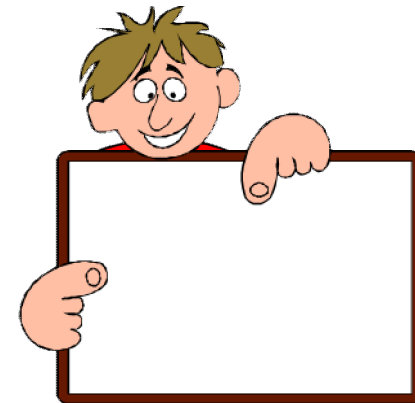
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## The beauty of ICH Q10

1. Where to go
2. How to go
3. Enablers.
4. Risk assessment



The International Conference on Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Registration of Pharmaceuticals for Human Use (ICH) is unique in bringing together the [redacted] to discuss [redacted] aspects of drug registration. Since its inception in 1990, ICH has gradually evolved, to respond to the increasingly global face of drug development, so that the benefits of international harmonisation for better global health can be realised worldwide. ICH's mission is to achieve greater harmonisation to ensure that safe, effective, and high quality medicines are developed and registered in the most resource-efficient manner

## ICH Guidelines / Work Products / [Home](#)

The ICH topics are divided into four categories and ICH topic codes are assigned according to these categories.



### Quality Guidelines

Harmonisation achievements in the Quality area include pivotal milestones such as the conduct of stability studies, defining relevant thresholds for impurities testing and a more flexible approach to pharmaceutical quality based on Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) risk management.



### Safety Guidelines

ICH has produced a comprehensive set of safety Guidelines to uncover potential risks like carcinogenicity, genotoxicity and reprotoxicity. A recent breakthrough has been a non-clinical testing strategy for assessing the QT interval prolongation liability: the single most important cause of drug withdrawals in recent years.



### Efficacy Guidelines

The work carried out by ICH under the Efficacy heading is concerned with the design, conduct, safety and reporting of clinical trials. It also covers novel types of medicines derived from biotechnological processes and the use of pharmacogenetics/genomics techniques to produce better targeted medicines.



### Multidisciplinary Guidelines

Those are the cross-cutting topics which do not fit uniquely into one of the Quality, Safety and Efficacy categories. It includes the ICH medical terminology (MedDRA), the Common Technical Document (CTD) and the development of Electronic Standards for the Transfer of Regulatory Information (ESTRI).

**Q1A - Q1F Stability**

**Q2 Analytical Validation**

**Q3A - Q3D Impurities**

**Q4 - Q4B Pharmacopoeias**

**Q5A - Q5E Quality of Biotechnological Products**

**Q6A- Q6B Specifications**

**Q7 Good Manufacturing Practice**

**Q8 Pharmaceutical Development**

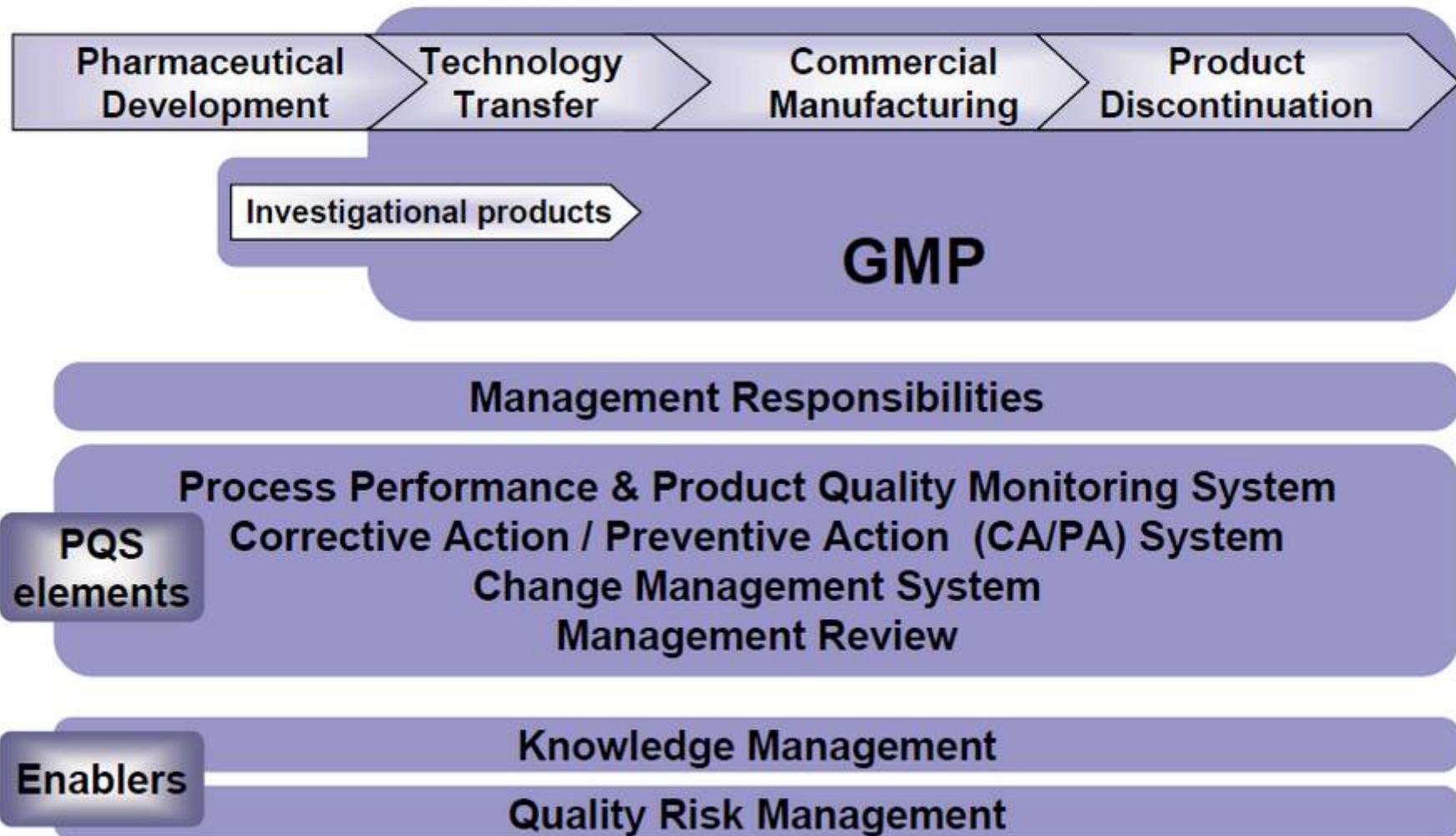
**Q9 Quality Risk Management**

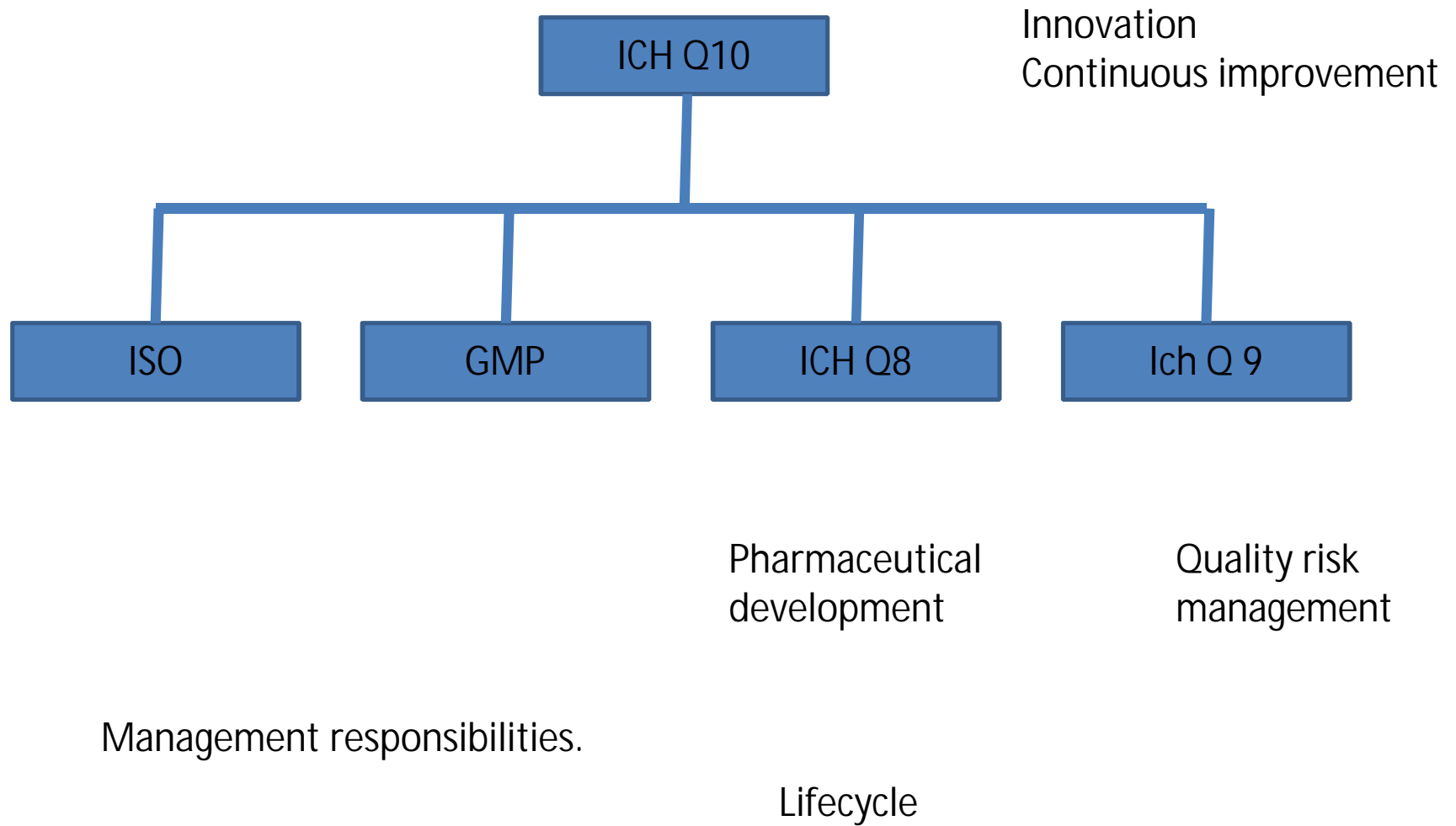
**Q11 Development and Manufacture of Drug Substances**

**Q12 Lifecycle Management**

**Cross-cutting Topics**

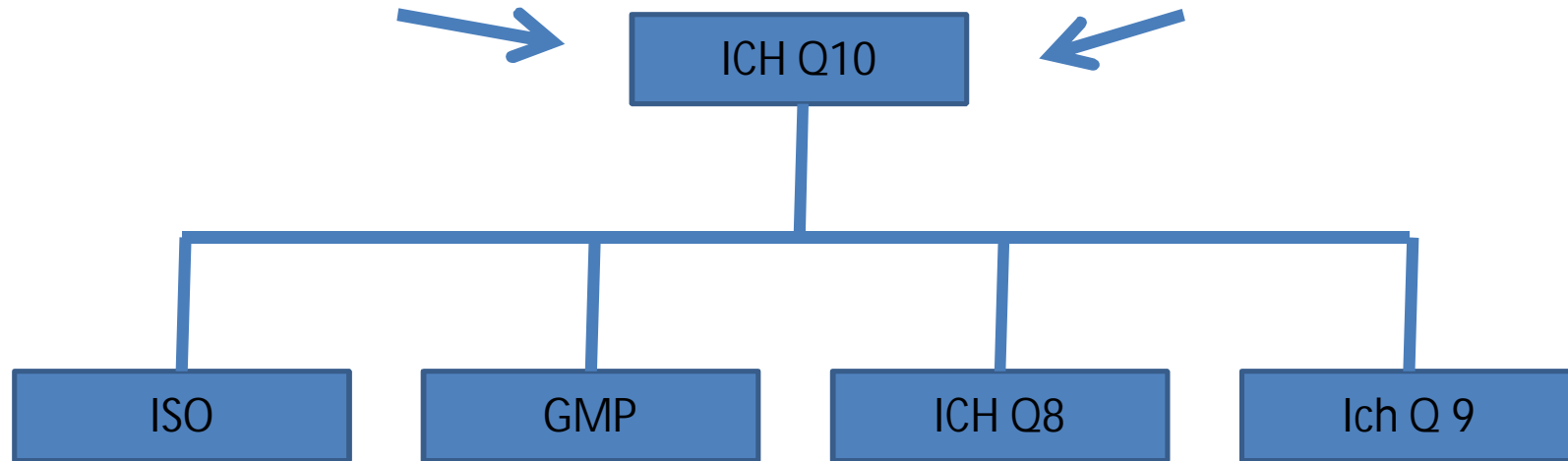
# ICH Q10 PQS





Regulatory inspection

At manufacturing site





# Integration of Q8, Q9, & Q10

- An integrated set of guidelines:

- Q8 Pharmaceutical Development

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- Q10 Pharmaceutical Quality Systems

- Q8, Q9, & Q10:

- Risk Management, and PQS  
provide greater product assurance of quality

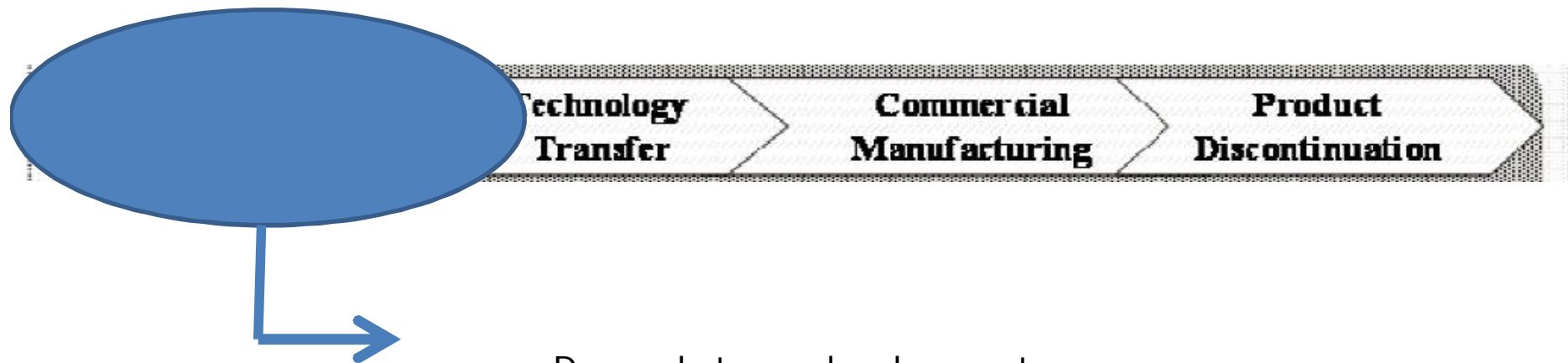
# Integration of Q8, Q9, & Q10 (continued)

## ■ Q8 & 10:

- Processes for pharmaceutical development are key linkages to product realization within the PQS.
- Q8 provides for robust development and understanding of processes as the basis for...
- Manufacturers with a robust PQS and appropriate process knowledge can implement many types of...

## ■ Q9 & 10:

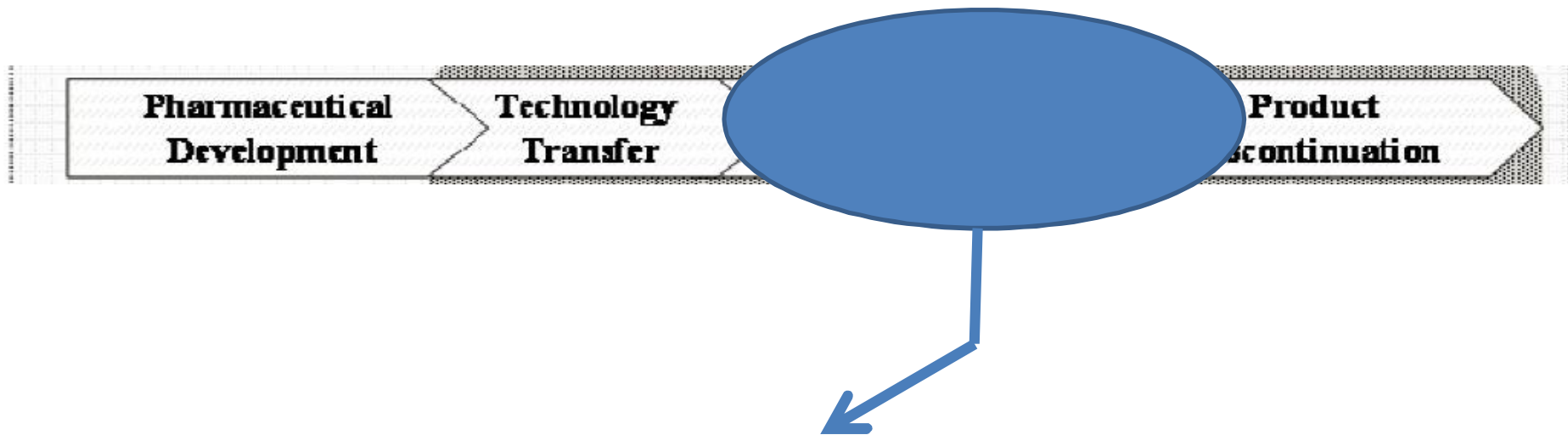
- The PQS should encourage and facilitate the use of... approach to the system.
- The design and application of processes within the PQS should be based on...



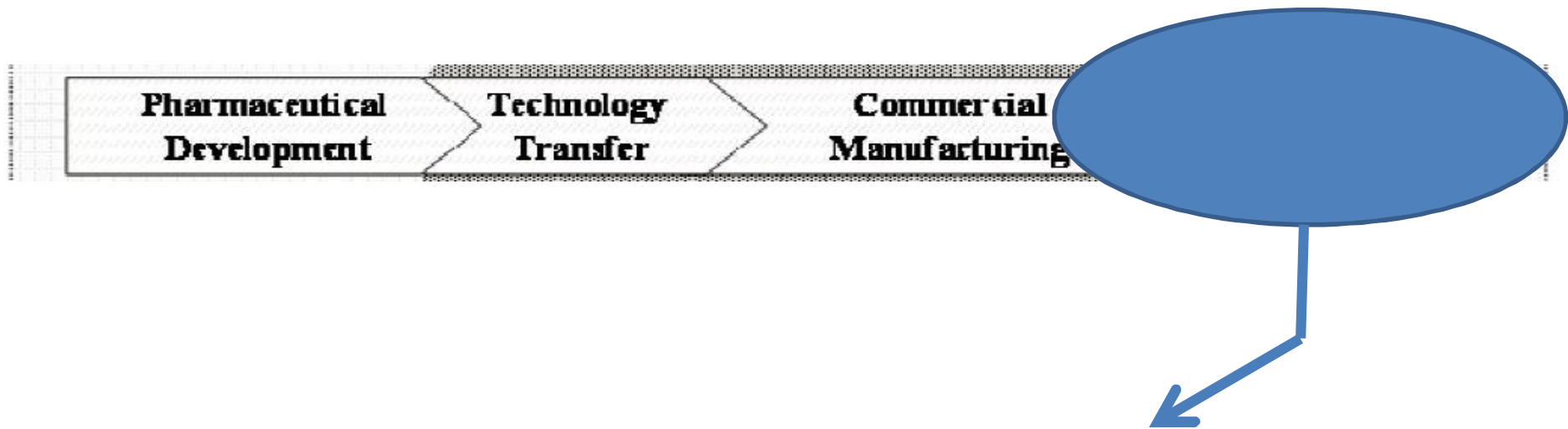
- Drug substance development.
- Formulation development.
- Manufacture of investigational products.
- Delivery system development.
- Manufacturing process development and scale up
- Analytical method development.



- New product transfers during development through manufacturing.
- Transfers within or between manufacturing and testing sites for marketed products.

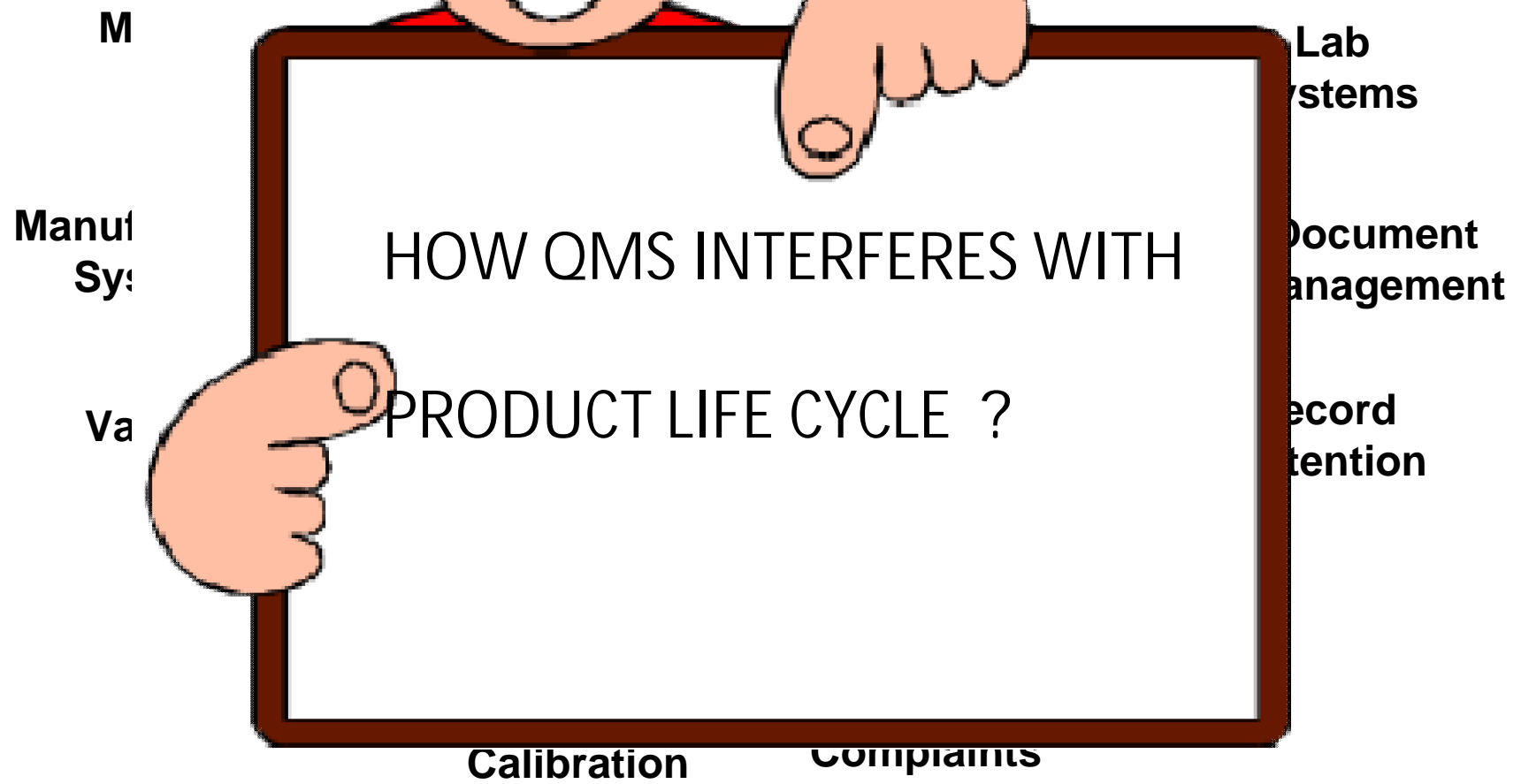


- Acquisition and control of materials
- Provision of facilities, utilities and equipment
- Production
- Quality control and assurance.
- Release
- Storage
- Distribution.



- Retention of documentation
- Sample retention
- Continued product assessment and reporting

# ICH Q10 OBJECTIVES







REMEMBER THE KEY CONCEPTS :

1. RISK BASED APPROACH.
2. SCIENCE BASED APPROACH.
3. CRITICAL ASPECTS OF MANUFACTURING SYSTEMS
4. QUALITY BY DESIGN
5. GOOD ENGINEERING PRACTICES
6. SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT
7. USE OF VENDOR DOCUMENTATION
8. CONTINUOUS PROCESS IMPROVEMENT

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Q8

Q9

REMEMBER THE KEY CONCEPTS :

1 RISK BASED APPROACH.

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APPLIED APPROPRIATELY AT EACH STAGE

BASED ON SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE

PROTECTION OF THE PATIENT

REMEMBER THE KEY CONCEPTS :



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Q9

2 SCIENCE BASED APPROACH.

CONSIDER

CRITICAL QUALITY ATTRIBUTES

CQA

CRITICAL PROCESS PARAMETERS

CPK

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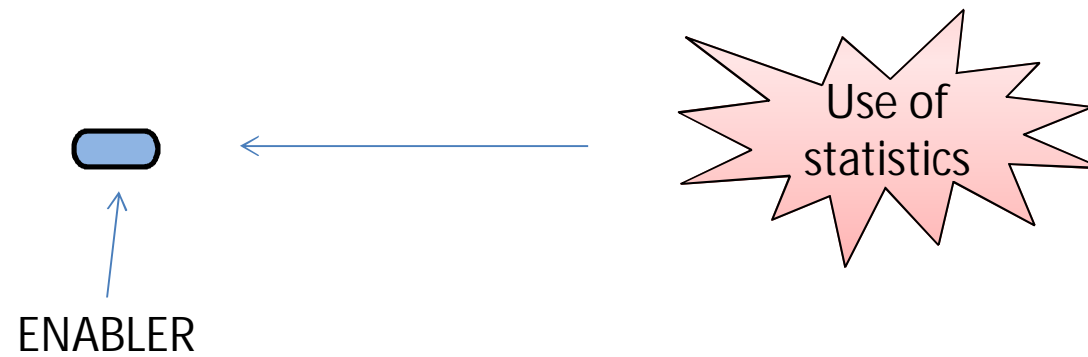
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In [process improvement](#) efforts, the process capability index or process capability ratio is a statistical measure of [process capability](#): the ability of a [process](#) to produce output within [specification](#) limits.

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STATISTICAL TRENDING

IN « BEST IN CLASS » IT IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THE SYSTEM IS UNDER CONTROL « WITHIN ITS CRITICAL PARAMETERS INFLUENCING THE CRITICAL QUALITY ATTRIBUTES » BUT IT IS GOOD PRACTICE TO MONITOR THE STATISTICAL TRENDING.

IS MY PROCESS DRIFTING ?

REMEMBER THE KEY CONCEPTS :

2 SCIENCE BASED APPROACH.

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AGAIN : SCIENCE AND STATISTICS ARE ENABLERS TO HELP YOU  
CONTROLLING AND PREDICTING YOUR PROCESS



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3 CRITICAL ASPECTS OF MANUFACTURING SYSTEMS

VERIFICATION ACTIVITIES SHOULD FOCUS ON THESE ASPECTS AND SHOULD  
BE DOCUMENTED

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#### 4 QUALITY BY DESIGN

CRITICAL ASPECTS ARE DESIGNED INTO SYSTEMS DURING THE

SPECIFICATIONS AND DESIGN PROCESS... ASSOCIATED WITH ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

ASSURANCE THAT MANUFACTURING SYSTEMS ARE FIT FOR INTENDED USE SHOULD NOT RELY SOLELY UPON VERIFICATION AFTER INSTALLATION BUT BE ACHIEVED BY A PLANNED AND STRUCTURED VERIFICATION APPROACH APPLIED THROUGHOUT THE SYSTEM LIFE CYCLE;

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5 GOOD ENGINEERING PRACTICES

ESTABLISHED ENGINEERING METHODS AND STANDARDS THAT ARE APPLIED  
THROUGHOUT THE LIFE CYCLE TO DELIVER APPROPRIATE AND EFFECTIVE  
SOLUTIONS

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6 SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT

INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIFIC EXPERTISE AND RESPONSIBILITY IN A PARTICULAR AREA OR FIELD :

- ENGINEERING
- QUALITY
- AUTOMATION
- OPERATIONS
- ...

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## 7 USE OF VENDOR DOCUMENTATION

VENDOR DOCUMENTATION INCLUDING TEST DOCUMENTS MAY BE USED AS PART OF THE VERIFICATION DOCUMENTATION PROVIDING THE REGULATED COMPANY HAS ASSESSED THE VENDOR AND HAS EVIDENCE OF :

ACCEPTABLE VENDOR QUALITY SYSTEM

VENDOR TECHNICAL CAPABILITY

VENDOR APPLICATION OF GEP

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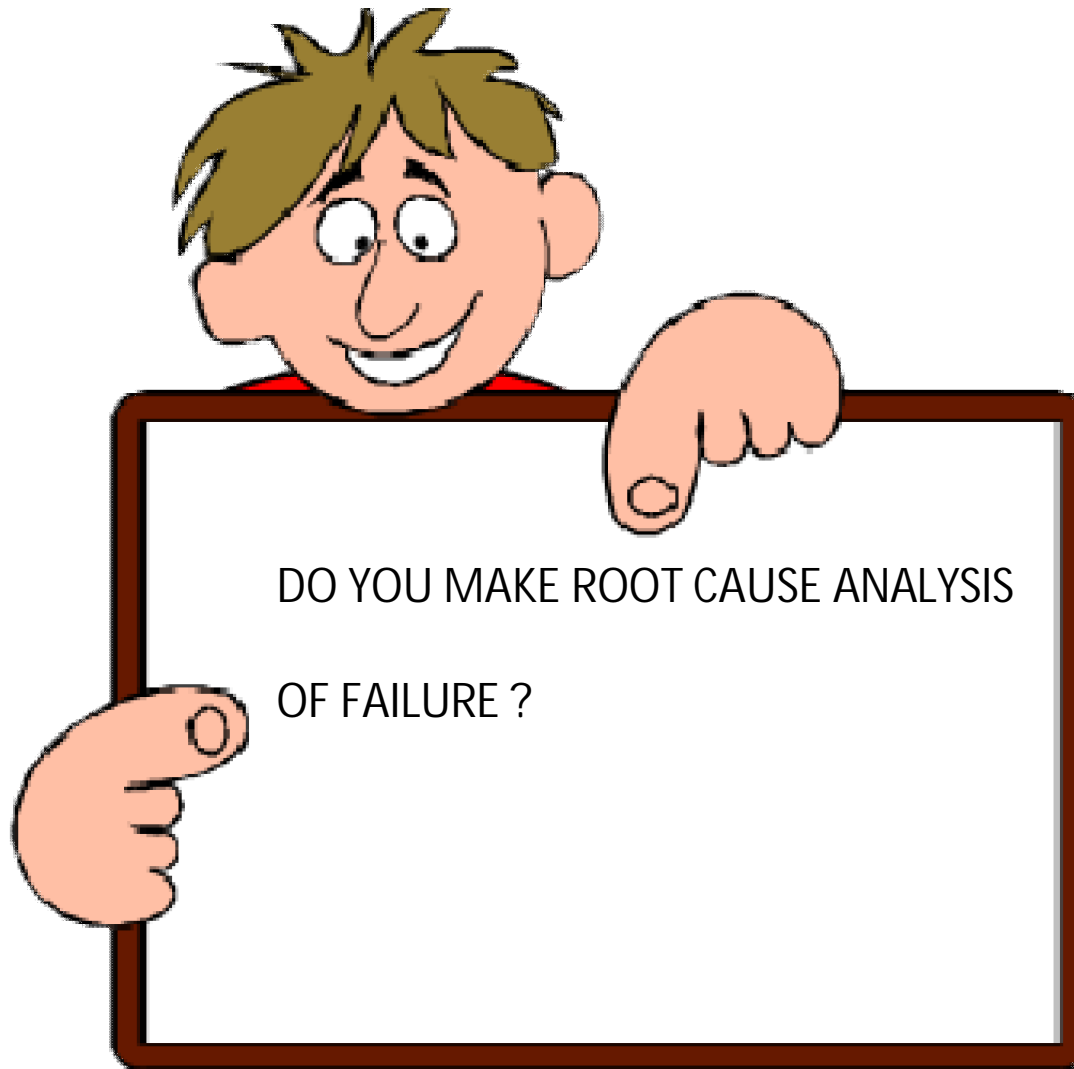
## 8 CONTINUOUS PROCESS IMPROVEMENT

OPORTUNITY FOR IMPROVEMENT SHOULD BE SOUGHT BASED ON PERIODIC REVIEW AND EVALUATION, OPERATIONAL AND PERFORMANCE DATA, AND ROOT-CAUSE ANALYSIS OF FAILURE.

CHANGE MANAGEMENT SHOULD PROVIDE A DEPENDABLE MECHANISM FOR PROMPT IMPLEMENTATION....



## ROOT-CAUSE ANALYSIS OF FAILURE



TRICK – FOR ROUTE CAUSE ANALYSIS OF FAILURE

THE 6 WHY

EX : WE FAILED A MEDIA FILL

WHY 1 : BECAUSE WE HAD A POLLUTION ON A FILLING NEEDLE

WHY 2 : BECAUSE WE HAD A BAD STEAM STERILIZATION

WHY 3 : BECAUSE THE STEAM FLOW WAS NOT BALANCED PROPERLY


WHY 4 : BECAUSE WE CHANGED A NEEDLE BEFORE THE STERILIZATION

WHY 5 : BECAUSE THE NEW NEEDLE WAS SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT

WHY 6 : BECAUSE THE NEEDLE DRAWING WAS NOT CORRECT

## Objective one

### ACHIEVE PRODUCT REALISATION

To establish, implement and maintain a system that allows the delivery of products  
With the  appropriate to meet the needs of patients, health care professionals, regulatory authorities and other internal or external customers.

## Objective two

### ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A STATE OF CONTROL

To develop and use effective monitoring and control systems for process performance and product quality, thereby providing assurance of **continued suitability** and **capability** of processes.

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Can you list 5 tools  
which are enablers in  
Your daily activities ?

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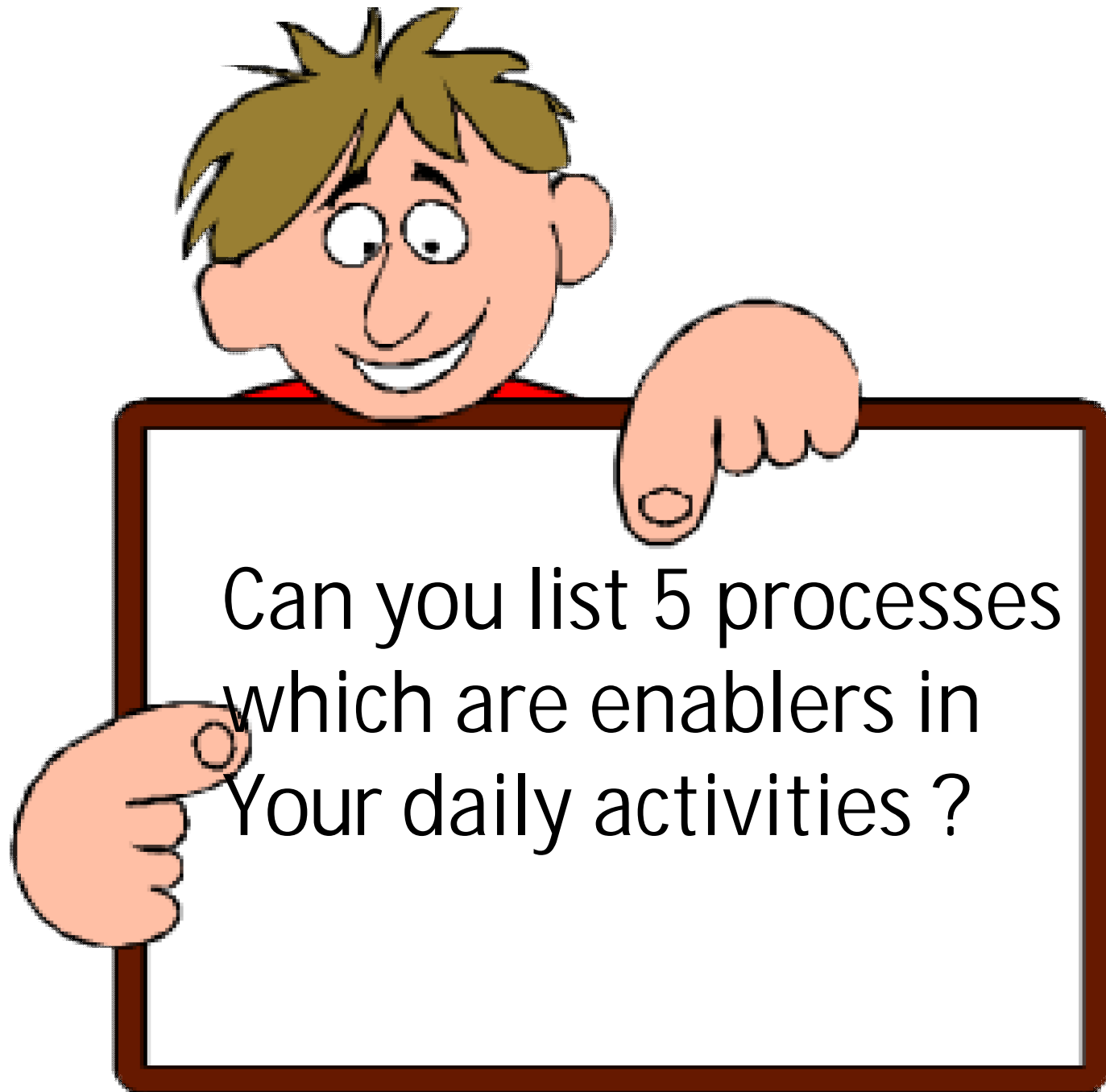


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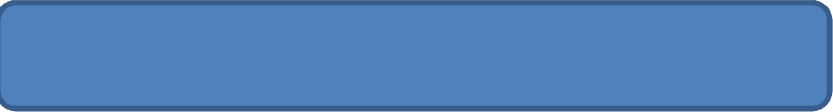
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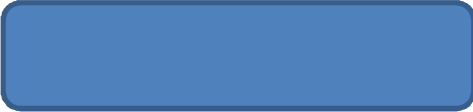
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To identify ..... consistently.

Quality risk management can be useful for identifying and prioritising areas for continual improvement.

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How can Quality Risk  
Management help in  
identifying and  
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improvement ?

# Knowledge management

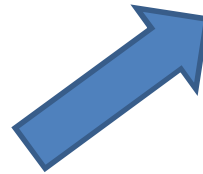
- Acquiring.
- Analysing.
- Storing.
- Dissiminating



INFORMATION RELATED  
TO PRODUCTS

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- Public domain.
- Pharmaceutical development studies.
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- Process validation studies.
- Manufacturing experience.
- Innovation.
- Continual improvement
- Change management



# Knowledge management

- Public domain.  Regulatory affairs.
- Pharmaceutical development studies.  R&D
- Technology transfer activities.  Technical support dpt
- Process validation studies.  Technical support dpt
- Manufacturing experience.  Manufacturing dpt
- Innovation.  R&D
- Continual improvement  Quality dpt
- Change management  Quality dpt



# Quality risk management

Provide a proactive approach to identifying, scientifically evaluating and controlling potential risks to quality.

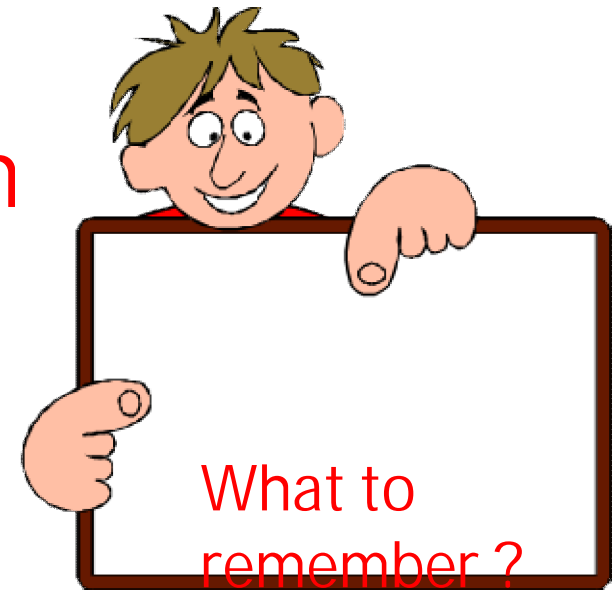
ICH Q9



**Risk Management must be integrated into  
the Quality Management Systems**

# Quality risk management

## What to remember



1. Minimum essentials
2. Manageable approach
3. One Size. . .
4. Risk & requirements
5. Risk-Based procedures
6. Incremental risk assessments
7. Into current processes
8. Of little value if . . .

## Take away

- Identify problems
- Evaluate causes
- Estimate consequences
- Define & implement safeguards

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4. Risk &

What not to do ?

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It is not a one person activity.

The team must have a good knowledge :  
Involve the subject matter experts.

If it is not followed by MITIGATION strategy supported by management it is a waste of energy.

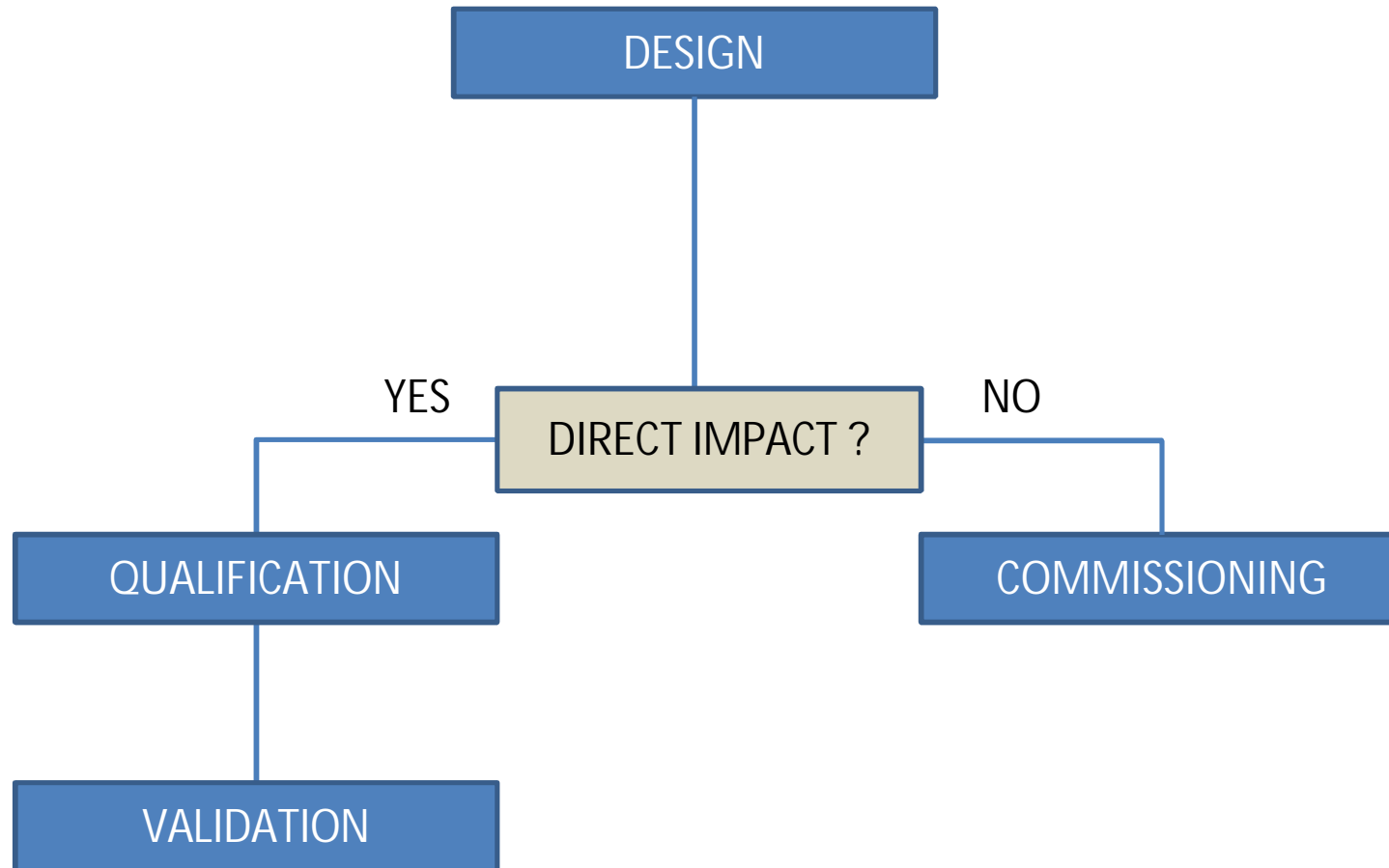
It must be implemented, verified and followed by a responsible person reporting to management.

It must follow a PDCA rule.

# **NOT TO DO**

**Do not push Risk Management beyond common sense you must**

- Define an approach that is maintainable
- Scale the effort based on criticality and complexity





DIRECT IMPACT ?

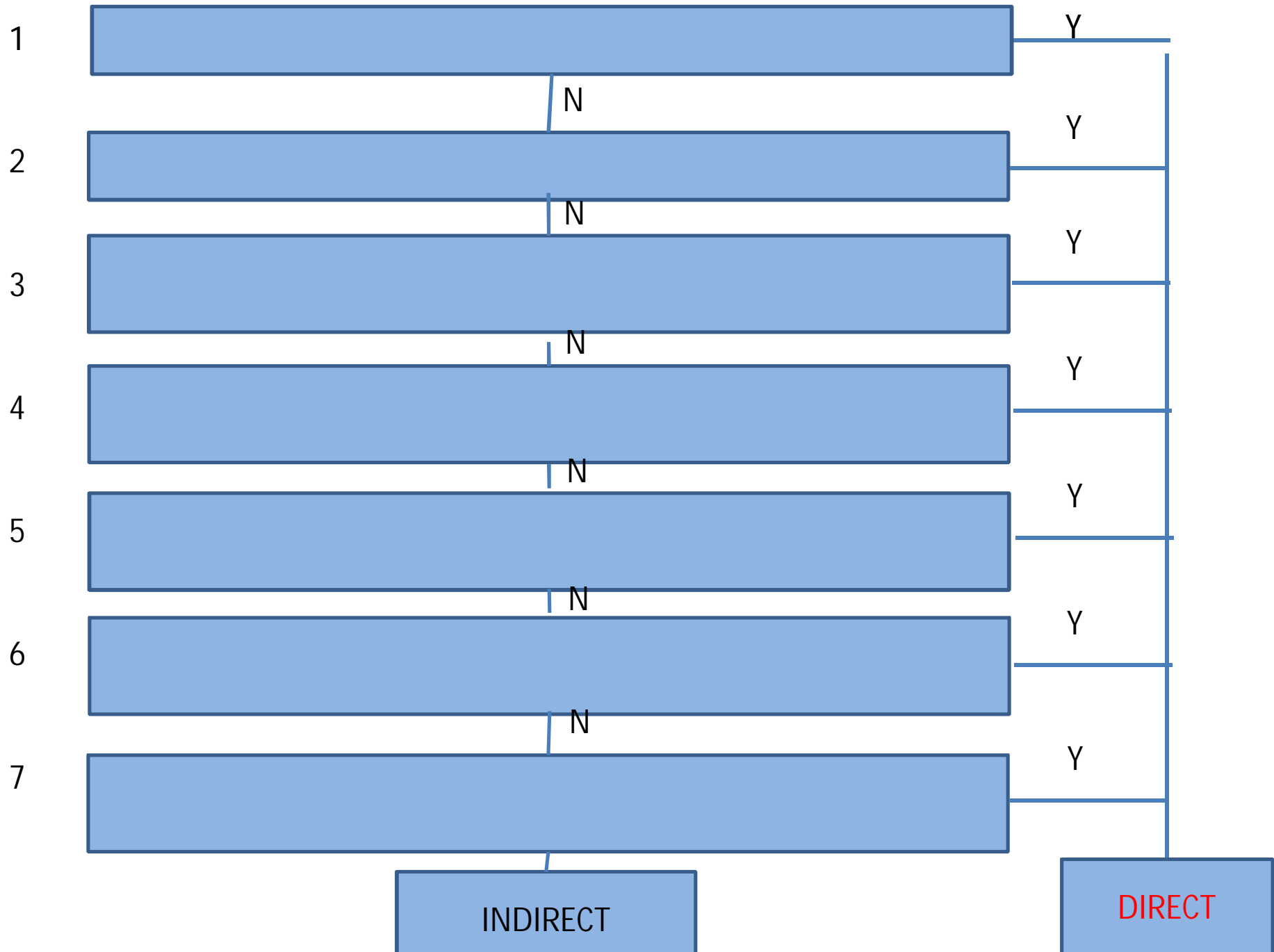


How to determine that a system has a direct impact and therefore is Critical ?

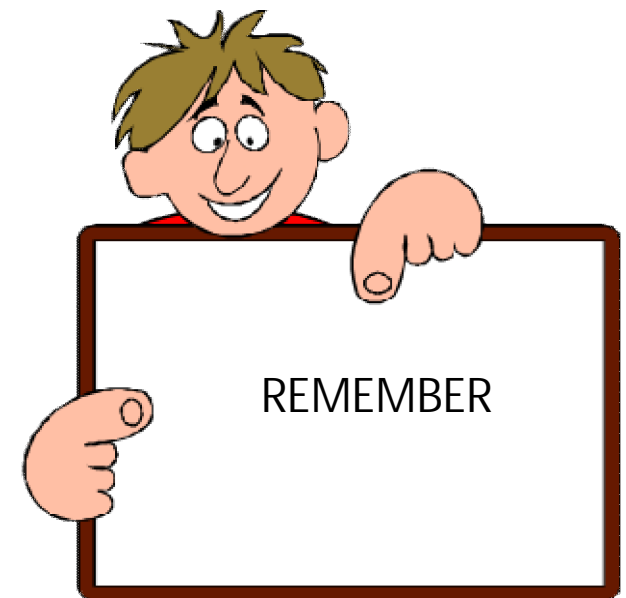
Can you write down 5 questions to determine if the system has a direct impact ?

Example : Is the system in contact with the product ?  
(syringe)

15 minutes



- The table before is the rationale to explain why a process parameters has been identified as non-critical.
- A non critical parameter is also called a « general parameter »



## DESIGN

1. IN LINE WITH URS
2. WILL DRIVE THE FUNCTIONAL SPECIFICATIONS.
3. WILL DEFINE THE OPERATIONAL RANGE
4. WILL DEFINE THE EXPECTED PERFORMANCES.
5. WILL INCLUDE THE RISK ASSESSMENT.
6. WILL INCLUDE THE MITIGATION OUTPUTS.
7. WILL INCLUDE THE STANDARDS.
8. WILL INCLUDE THE GOOD PRACTICES

## QUALIFICATION

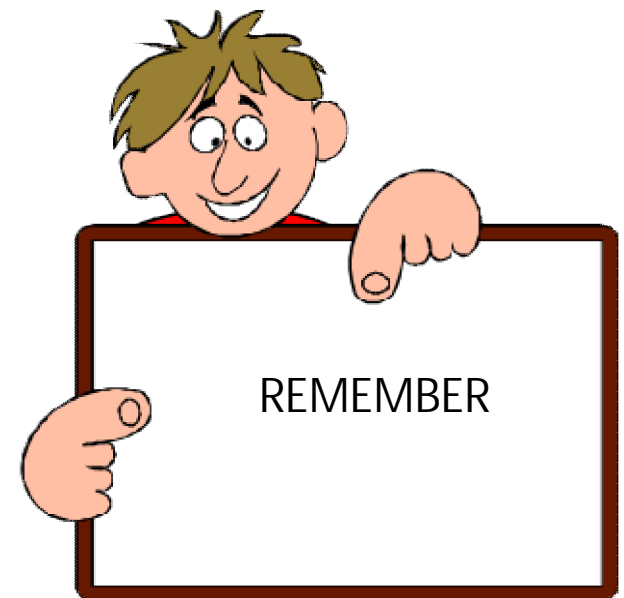
1. WILL BRING DOCUMENTED EVIDENCE THAT THE EQUIPMENT OR SYSTEM DELIVERED IS IN CONFORMITY WITH :
  1. URS
  2. SPECS
  3. STANDARDS
  4. INSTALLED CORRECTLY
  5. DOCUMENTED CORRECTLY
  6. INSPECTED AND TESTED CORRECTLY
  7. WILL INCLUDE TRAINING PLAN

## VALIDATION

1. WILL BRING DOCUMENTED EVIDENCE THAT THE EQUIPMENT OR SYSTEM DELIVERED IS IN CONFORMITY WITH :
  1. EXPECTED PERFORMANCES.
  2. EXPECTED REGULATORY CONSTRAINS.
  3. SAFE AND PREDICTIBLE.
  4. ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA
  5. INTEGER DURING ALL THE LIFE CYCLE

# Installation qualification

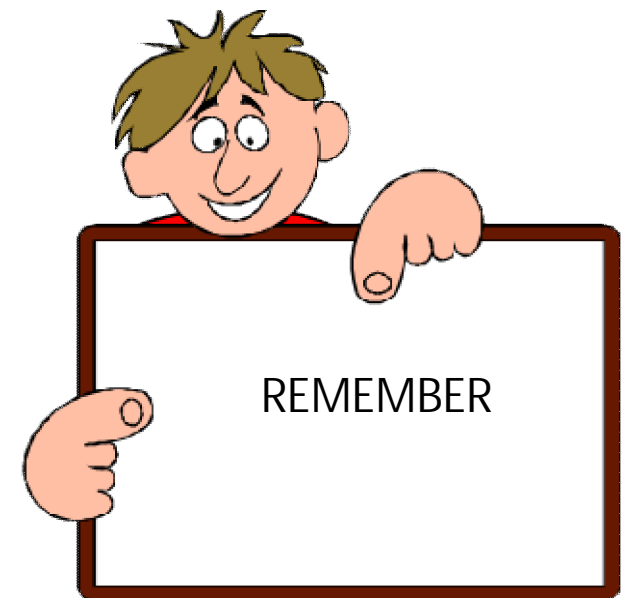
- IQ : Process of obtaining and documenting evidence that the equipment has been provided and installed in accordance with its specifications and is operating in accordance with the process.





# Periodic re Validation

- Even If a system is suitably designed, qualified, operated and maintained, it needs to be re evaluated periodically and eventually re-validated.
- Annual review
- Re validation program



## COMMISSIONING

1. WILL BRING DOCUMENTED EVIDENCE THAT THE EQUIPMENT OR SYSTEM DELIVERED IS IN CONFORMITY WITH :
  1. PURCHASE ORDER
  2. URS
  3. SPECIFICATIONS



# Conclusion

- ICH Q10 is not intended to create any new expectations beyond current regulatory requirements. Consequently, the content of ICH Q10 that is additional to current regional GMP requirements is optional.
- The elements of ICH Q10 should be applied in a manner that is appropriate and proportionate to each of the product lifecycle stages, recognising the differences among, and the different goals of each stage