Today’s corrective and preventive action (CAPA) process is highly focused on compliance. Many manufacturers struggle to determine which issues require a more structured CAPA process and which issues can be solved in alternative ways. As a result, manufacturers typically apply a resource draining one-size-fits-all CAPA approach. Implementing a risk-based CAPA approach can lead to a more effective, efficient, and user-friendly process that remains compliant.

**CAPA Process Improvement Pilot Study**

Medical Device Innovation Consortium (MDIC) recently completed a pilot study focusing on the risk-based improvement framework to move beyond baseline regulatory compliance activities and collaboratively develop sustained practices that advance quality. The experiences from the framework pilot study will be shared through a collaborative white paper to be published by MDIC.

**Resources**

Available at www.mdic.org

- CAPA Process Improvement White Paper
- CAPA Process Improvement Auditor Training
- CAPA Process Improvement Pilot Study Overview

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**CASE FOR QUALITY COLLABORATIVE COMMUNITY (CfQcc)**

The #MakeCAPACool is an effort of the Case for Quality Collaborative Community and offers a unique forum for medical device stakeholders to move beyond baseline regulatory compliance activities and collaboratively develop sustained predictive practices. These predictive practices could advance medical device quality and safety to achieve better patient outcomes. Collaborative Communities provide a forum for public and private sector members to proactively work together to achieve common objectives and outcomes.

FDA does not lead Collaborative Communities, and their work does not replace established regulatory mechanisms. However, FDA may choose to participate in a Collaborative Community and support, leverage, and/or adopt solutions that emerge.

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