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# **MDCG CIE Working Group**

and its role in the European medical device regulatory system

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CORE-MD Webinar #7 - Guidance in Pivotal Clinical Investigations

# Agenda

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MDCG CIE Working group

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The role of competent authorities

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Challenges

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Future guidance



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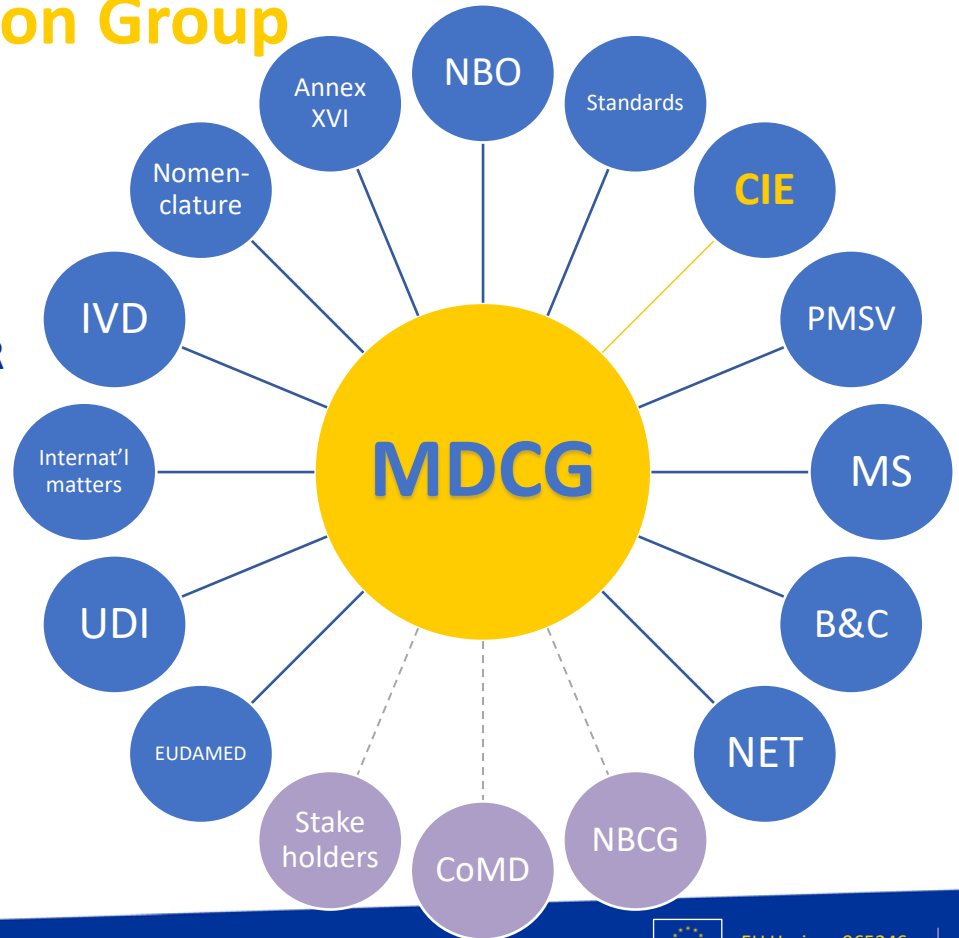
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# Medical Device Coordination Group

- Expert committee
- CA / national representatives
- Chaired by EU Commission
- Harmonised implementation of MDR and IVDR
- 13 subgroups
- **WG 3: Clinical investigation and Evaluation (CIE)**
  - Assist MDCG
  - Draft guidance
  - Proposals for clinical CS
  - Stakeholder engagement



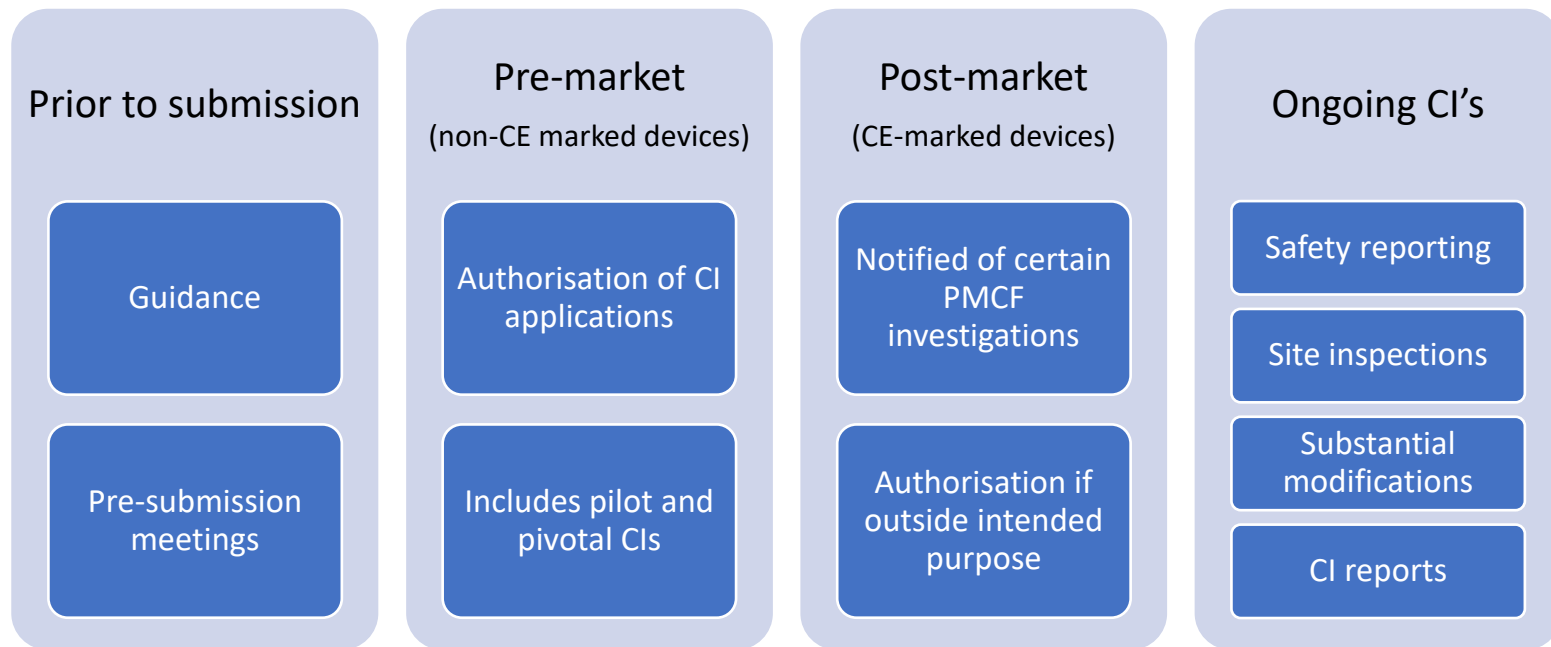
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# Role of the Competent Authority in CI regulation



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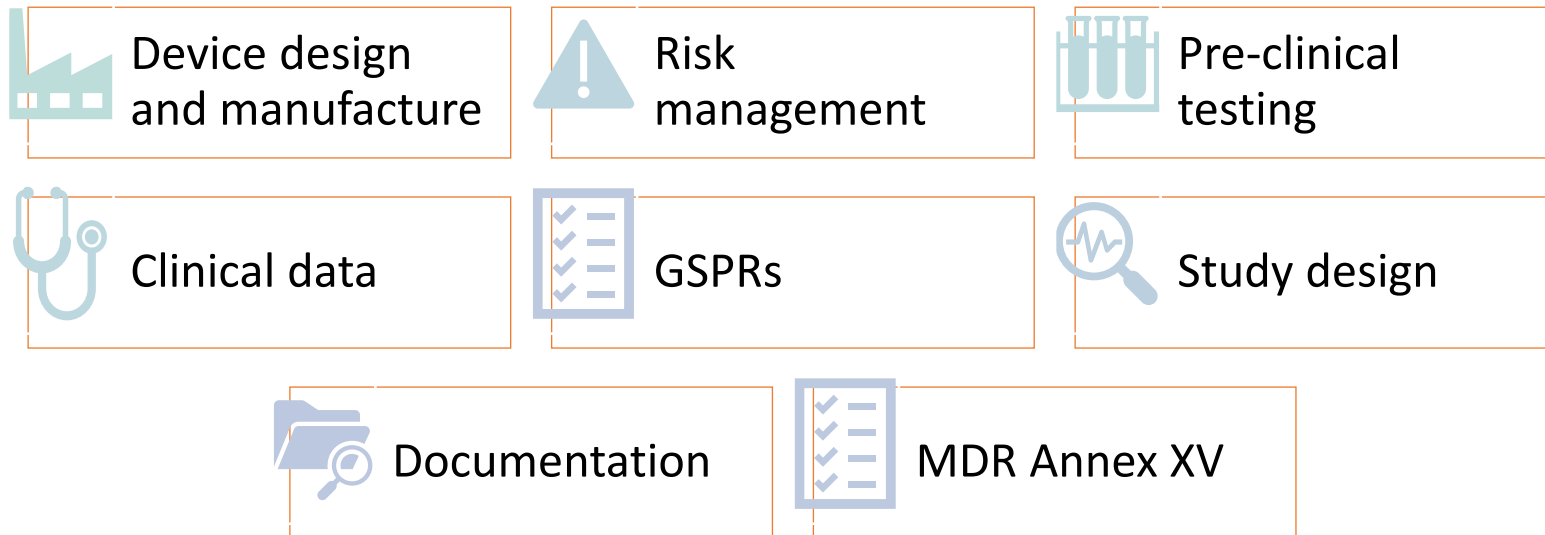
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# Focus of Review by Regulator

Are the study risks justified when weighed against the expected clinical benefits?



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# Regulatory challenges

- How to create and sustain a medical device environment that is
  - Safe,
  - Predictable,
  - Transparent,
  - Innovative,
  - Scientifically founded,
  - Fair and proportionate for all devices,
  - Consistent and harmonised across the EU



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# Regulatory challenges - CIE

## Scientific guidance

- Science vs procedure
- Clinical investigations
- Clinical evaluation
- Sufficient clinical data
- Expert panel advice

## Diversity of devices

- Special cases
- Device-specific guidance
- Common specifications
- State of the art

## Harmonisation

- De-centralised
- National considerations
- Combined studies
- Global
- ISO standards

Predictability



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# Future guidance

## Clinical Investigation

MDCG 2021-6 rev 1  
Q+A on CI's

Guidance on CIP & IB

CI Summary report

Mandatory CI's

Pilot vs Pivotal CI

## Clinical evaluation

MEDDEV 2.7/1 update

Scientific validity

Methodology

Lifecycle evaluation

## Device specific

Orphan devices

CORE-MD outputs

Expert panel advice

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## Harmonisation

CI coordinated assessment  
procedure

COMBINE Project

EN ISO Harmonisation



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