The Application of Systems Engineering in Medicine

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The HWG integrates SE perspectives across the Healthcare Domain



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Activity Timeline



Why System Engineering?

- Reduction to <u>cost, risk, and timelines</u>
- Improved <u>integration</u> across internal functions and external vendors
- Increased <u>reliability</u>
- Increased <u>efficiency</u>



SE pays significant ROI on Cost.



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SE pays significant ROI on Schedule.



SE Effort = SE Quality * SE Cost/Actual Cost

Past Successes at SCI using SE Approaches

- A recent client process update demonstrated a costsavings of greater than \$150M USD.
- Mean of \$2.3M savings in the first month of engagement with new clients
- Improving program execution to save over 50% on development costs
- Providing solutions that save over 60% on execution schedules
- Resolving warning letters and improving execution to avoid them in the future
- Integrating the largest on-body connectivity hardware/software solution in med-tech.
- Delivering programs ahead of schedule when they were originally 30% behind

Our Agenda

- SE in this Domain versus others
- Medical Devices, Medical Technology Medtech
- Biotech Biotechnology
- Hospitals the next frontier

SYSTEM ENGINEERING: SUCCESS IN BIOTECH!



SE in MedTech versus others domains

- Not as mature... (opportunity for you!)
- Needs to be scaled to the efforts (Class I versus Class III)
- The Medtech industry is more fragmented
- More and more startups... multiple varied technologies...
- Required per regulations (Did you do your SE homework?)
- Does not follow the standard defense acquisition models

Translating for a new domain:

- Say NO to "Missions"... say "Outcomes" instead
- Understand that defining your inputs will be different!
- An SE Role is still poorly understood, talk about
 - Team Leads
 - People who understand the big picture
 - People who can integrate
- Recognize that an SE role might be split differently across multiple "functions"



SE integrates functions and sites with consistent, integrated processes.



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Systems Engineering integrates functions, teams, and design controls into the product development process.



Examples of Medical Devices

- Imaging systems (CAT, PET, MRI, Xray)
- Combination products
- Diabetes systems
- Holter monitors
- Pacemakers
- Glucose sensors
- Connected care systems

- Autoinjectors
- Electro-mechanical injection systems
- Defibrillators
- Infusion pumps
- Blood glucose meters
- Implantable neurostimulators
- Transcutaneous stimulators
- Ophthalmology equipment
- And ...
- Tounge depressors, contact lenses

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What criteria would you apply to select this connector?



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Regulated Markets



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Data Source: Baseline country survey on medical devices 2010 Map Production: Public Health Information and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) World Health Organization



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Regulated Markets

- These are just a few examples:
 - In the US, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Center for Devices and Radiological Health
 - In the EU, CE marking
 - In Japan, very similar to EU, but the standards typically have a few additional requirements
 - In China, typically need to submit similar documentation as is required in the country of origin
- Keywords: Safety and Efficacy

Device Classification in the US

Depending on the classification, marketing a device requires pre-market notification, device listing, good manufacturing practices (GMP), record keeping, controls, performance standards, investigational device exemption use under approved for use with institutional review boards.

- Class I
 - Failure poses no risk to life
 - Tongue Depressors
 - Stethoscopes
- Class II
 - Non life sustaining, but must meet specific controls and performance standards
 - Sphygmomanometers
- Class III
 - Life sustaining
 - · Pacemakers, heart valves

Increasing level of control and evaluation



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Following design controls does not constitute good engineering practice. Design controls are a subset of systems engineering.



A Summary of 21CFR820.30

- (b) Design and Development Planning
- (c) Design Input
- (d) Design Output
- (e) Design Review
- (f) Design Verification
- (g) Design Validation
- (h) Design Transfer
- (i) Design Changes
- (j) Design History File
- + Risk Management



CFR 820.30 – SE Principles

Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Volume 8, Part 820, Subpart C, Section 820.30 "Design Controls"			
Reference	Text	Aligned Clause for INCOSE Handbook 3.2.2	
820.30a	 (a)General. (1) Each manufacturer of any class III or class II device, and the class I devices listed in paragraph (a)(2) of this section, shall establish and maintain procedures to control the design of the device in order to ensure that specified design requirements are met. (2) The following class I devices are subject to design controls: (i) Devices automated with computer software; and (ii) The devices listed in the following chart. (OMITTED) 	5.5	
820.30b	(b)Design and development planning. Each manufacturer shall establish and maintain plans that describe or reference the design and development activities and define responsibility for implementation. The plans shall identify and describe the interfaces with different groups or activities that provide, or result in, input to the design and development process. The plans shall be reviewed, updated, and approved as design and development evolves.	5.1, 5.2	
820.30c	(c)Design input. Each manufacturer shall establish and maintain procedures to ensure that the design requirements relating to a device are appropriate and address the intended use of the device, including the needs of the user and patient. The procedures shall include a mechanism for addressing incomplete, ambiguous, or conflicting requirements. The design input requirements shall be documented and shall be reviewed and approved by a designated individual(s). The approval, including the date and signature of the individual(s) approving the requirements, shall be documented.	4.1, 4.2	

CFR 820.30 – SE Principles

Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Volume 8, Part 820, Subpart C, Section 820.30 "Design Controls"				
Reference	Text	Aligned Clause for INCOSE Handbook 3.2.2		
820.30d	(d)Design output. Each manufacturer shall establish and maintain procedures for defining and documenting design output in terms that allow an adequate evaluation of conformance to design input requirements. Design output procedures shall contain or make reference to acceptance criteria and shall ensure that those design outputs that are essential for the proper functioning of the device are identified. Design output shall be documented, reviewed, and approved before release. The approval, including the date and signature of the individual(s) approving the output, shall be documented.	4.6		
820.30e	(e)Design review. Each manufacturer shall establish and maintain procedures to ensure that formal documented reviews of the design results are planned and conducted at appropriate stages of the device's design development. The procedures shall ensure that participants at each design review include representatives of all functions concerned with the design stage being reviewed and an individual(s) who does not have direct responsibility for the design stage being reviewed, as well as any specialists needed. The results of a design review, including identification of the design, the date, and the individual(s) performing the review, shall be documented in the design history file (the DHF).	3.2.2		
820.30f	(f)Design verification. Each manufacturer shall establish and maintain procedures for verifying the device design. Design verification shall confirm that the design output meets the design input requirements. The results of the design verification, including identification of the design, method(s), the date, and the individual(s) performing the verification, shall be documented in the DHF.	4.6		



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820.30g	(g)Design validation. Each manufacturer shall establish and maintain procedures for validating the device design. Design validation shall be performed under defined operating conditions on initial production units, lots, or batches, or their equivalents. Design validation shall ensure that devices conform to defined user needs and intended uses and shall include testing of production units under actual or simulated use conditions. Design validation shall include software validation and risk analysis, where appropriate. The results of the design validation, including identification of the design, method(s), the date, and the individual(s) performing the validation, shall be documented in the DHF.	4.8	
820.30h	(h)Design transfer. Each manufacturer shall establish and maintain procedures to ensure that the device design is correctly translated into production specifications.	3.3.4	
820.30i	(i)Design changes. Each manufacturer shall establish and maintain procedures for the identification, documentation, validation or where appropriate verification, review, and approval of design changes before their implementation.	5.5	
820.30j	(j)Design history file. Each manufacturer shall establish and maintain a DHF for each type of device. The DHF shall contain or reference the records necessary to demonstrate that the design was developed in accordance with the approved design plan and the requirements of this part.	3.3.2	

Additional references: Where is all of this?



Design Inputs

- Medical device technologies do not follow the standard defense acquisition models...
- Definition of the product and "intended use" are provided and validated by each medical device company...
- So how do you know if you have the correct starting point?

Notes on Validation - Efficacy

- Two primary sources:
 - Human Factors
 - Formative
 - Summative
 - Clinical Studies
 - IDE Investigational Device Exemption



RISK MANAGEMENT – SAFETY, NOT TECHNICAL RISK

We're Not So Different, You and I. The Risk Matrix



Aerospace: Technical Risk Management

- Risk is defined as the combination of (1) the probability that a program or project will experience an undesired event and (2) the consequences, impact, or severity of the undesired event, were it to occur.
- The undesired event might come from technical or programmatic sources (e.g., a cost overrun, schedule slippage, safety mishap, health problem, malicious activities, environmental impact, or failure to achieve a needed scientific or technological objective or success criterion).
- The concept of "value of information" is central to making the determination of what analysis is appropriate and to what extent uncertainty needs to be quantified.
- Medtech.... Just Safety and Efficacy...

Case Study: Risk Identification

- Risk analysis (per ISO 14971) is required for medical device development
- It is common for teams to identify risks by brainstorming at the beginning of a risk analysis. There is an over-reliance on tools and a lack of confidence in making decisions (regulatory fear)
- Brainstorming fails because teams suffer from absence blindness
- Successful *risk analysis* begins first with a rigorous, structured process for *risk identification*
- The application of this process has improved risk identification rates by a factor of 10

STANDARDS IN MEDTECH



Standards (versus Beer)

- Domestic (Domestic)
 - AAMI
 - ANSI
 - ASTM
 - IEEE
 - NEMA
 - OSHA
 - UL

- International (Imported)
 - BSI
 - CENELAC
 - CSA
 - IEC
 - ISO
 - JSA



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ISO 11608-1: Injectors

Dose accuracy matrix		System designation					
		B1	B2	С	D1	D2	
Determine doses needed	7.3.1	7.3.2	7.3.2	7.3.1	7.3.2	7.3.2	
Determine accuracy limits	7.4.2.1	7.4.2.2	7.4.2.1	7.4.2.1	7.4.2.2	7.4.2.1	
Determine last-dose accuracy limits (variable dose only)	7.4.3	N/A	N/A	7.4.3	N/A	N/A	
Calculate last-dose error (variable dose only)	10.3	N/A	N/A	10.3	N/A	N/A	
Calculate dose efficiency (user-filled only)	N/A	7.4.4	N/A	N/A	7.4.4	N/A	
Calculate tolerance intervals	7.4.5	7.4.5	7.4.5	7.4.5	7.4.5	7.4.5	

Table 2 — Dose accuracy assessment matrix

7.2 Dosing regions

For multi-dose containers, the dosing regions are as defined in Figure 1.





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Standards Traceability





Verification Report DOC55544 - Receiving Inspection Report DOC12345 - System

DOC65432 - System

Verification Report

DOC76543 - Subsystem Verification Report DOC87654 - Subsystem Verification Report

Risk Analysis;

Next generation system

is of Type A, per section

1.0 of this standard, and

must follow all clauses

Next generation system is of Type A, per section 1.0 of this standard, and is not required to follow clauses for Type B systems.

for Type A systems.

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2.5 b)

2.5 c)

Type A

Type B

А

N/A

SE APPLICATIONS IN BIOTECH



Biotech

Pharmaceutical companies now have to follow medical technology rules.





Combination Products



- The FDA and other regulatory bodies have decided that the market has been insufficiently regulated with regards to the drug – device combination.
 - Drug-device interactions
 - Use models



Consumer health

- When is something a medical device?
 - Diagnosis
 - Treatment
- What happens when you report to your physician using information from your bathroom scale?
- When is a phone app, fitbit,
- How does this scale with all of our connected technologies?

What happens when you place a large number of independently developed technologies in one place?

SE IN THE HOSPITAL



Healthcare Challenges

System Efficiency



AND... Medical Errors...



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Medical error—the third leading cause of death in the US

Medical error is not included on death certificates or in rankings of cause of death. Martin Makary and Michael Daniel assess its contribution to mortality and call for better reporting

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The annual list of the most common causes of death in the United States, compiled by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), informs public awareness and national research priorities each year. The list is created using death certificates filled out by physicians, funeral directors, medical examiners, and coroners. However, a major limitation of the death certificate is that it relies on assigning an International Classification of Disease (ICD) code to the cause of death.¹ As a result, causes of death not associated with an ICD code, such

How big is the problem?

The most commonly cited estimate of annual deaths from medical error in the US—a 1999 Institute of Medicine (IOM) report⁷—is limited and outdated. The report describes an incidence of 44 000-98 000 deaths annually.⁷ This conclusion was not based on primary research conducted by the institute but on the 1984 Harvard Medical Practice Study and the 1992 I Ital and Calanada Charder 89 Date as soules as 1002 I a



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ANALYSIS

"BETTER HEALTH CARE AND LOWER COSTS: ACCELERATING IMPROVEMENT THROUGH SYSTEMS ENGINEERING"

> Problem Statement: Meet the requirements of the Affordable Care Act.

Solution: Application of Systems Engineering to the healthcare enterprise

Translating SE to Healthcare

Health system stakeholder	Selected challenges	Example systems methods and tools to address selected challenges
Patients	 Uncoordinated care Inefficient use of their time and effort Care not centered on their needs, goals, and circumstances 	 Operations management to ensure resources are available when needed Checklists or dashboards to ensure reliable care delivery Reengineering processes to incorporate patient input
Small clinical practices	 Clinician stress and burnout Inefficient workflows for delivering care Inconsistent usability of different health- information tools Uneven delivery of evidence-based prevention and treatment 	 Lean techniques for eliminating waste in workflows and clinical processes Human-factors engineering techniques to ensure health-information tools are easily usable
Large health-care organizations	 Managing new payment models that reward outcomes vs. process Errors and gaps in care Wasted resources from inefficient workflows Wasted resources from unnecessary administrative processes 	 Standardized protocols that incorporate new evidence and can be tailored to individual patients Predictive analytics to identify potential risks before problems occur Supply-chain management to minimize waste in supplies and pharmaceuticals
Communities	 Little coordination among community organizations, local governments, and health-care organizations Partnering to address the many factors that affect people's health 	 Modeling how policies can build on community resources Operations research to identify at-risk community members and efficiently deliver preventive health services Big-data methods for identifying patients who need more intensive coordination of their health care

Systems Approach to Health: A Working Definition

A systems approach to health is one that applies scientific insights to understand the elements that influence health outcomes; models the relationships between those elements; and alters design, processes, or policies based on the resultant knowledge in order to produce better health at lower cost.

Examples of Systems Approaches to Health

Multiple systems approaches have the potential to improve health and health care, including:

- Human factors engineering
- Industrial and systems engineering
- Production system methods
- Modeling and simulation
- Predictive analytics
- Supply chain management
- Operations management and queuing theory



e.g. - Operations Research, a.k.a. "Engineering Systems"

- Edelman Prize in 1992 for the New Haven Health Department Study on clean-needle exchange (Kaplan and Heimer, 1992).
- Applied probabilistic modeling techniques, "the lateral thinking was very impressive."
- Predicted a substantial reduction in the HIV/AIDS progression that occurred through the use of dirty needles if the government sponsored clean-needle exchanges.
- Studies suggest that the program reduced HIV/ AIDS incidence by 33 percent.



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Source: Building a Better Delivery System: A New Engineering/Health Care Partnership, Grossman, et Al., 2011

e.g. – Controlling Variability

A key root cause of hospital bottlenecks and inefficiency

Daily Weekday Emergency and Elective Surgical Admissions June - August 2008



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John's Hopkins - Patient Care Program Acute Care Initiative – Early Example

- Early Example Program: Checklists could reduce the incidence of catheterrelated bloodstream infections
- 80 percent decrease in infections per catheterday when implemented across ICUs throughout an entire state
- Nationally, could save
 - 30,000 lives per year
 - \$2 billion in health care costs



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Operations Systems Engineering (OSE)



FIGURE 4-4 Strategy development and evaluation process. Source: Lee et al., 1987. Reprinted with permission from INFORMS.

SE in the Hospital (and Home)





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Defense Acquisition Management Framework



Defense Buys Top-Down

- The "Prime" is driving requirements, specifying what they will buy. Top-Down
- The "Prime" is specifying how technical program processes, including risk, are driven. Top-down.



Healthcare Does Not Buy Top-Down

- The Vendor (medtech) is driving requirements, specifying what they will build. Bottom-Up.
- The Vendor (medtech) is specifying how technical program process, which is only communicated to regulator agencies.







"Prime"

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Integration failure: Alarm Fatigue ← It's quite alarming... Marm fatigue occurs when hospital staff become desensitized to alarm alerts causing missed alarms or delayed response



Integration Failure: Covidien Defib Electrode Incompatibility



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Integration Failure: Product Mimicry

- Your product is only one of many...
 - How is your product differentiated from others?





Integration Failure: Luer-Lock





The Future of SE in Healthcare

- SE applied to, and by, the Hospital
 - Improving existing practice
 - Advancing future practice as technology advances
 - Integrated patient medical records
- Case study Kaiser Permanente, Mayo Clinic, Johns Hopkins
- New standards emerging
 - AAMI 80001- Medical IT
 - IEEE 11073