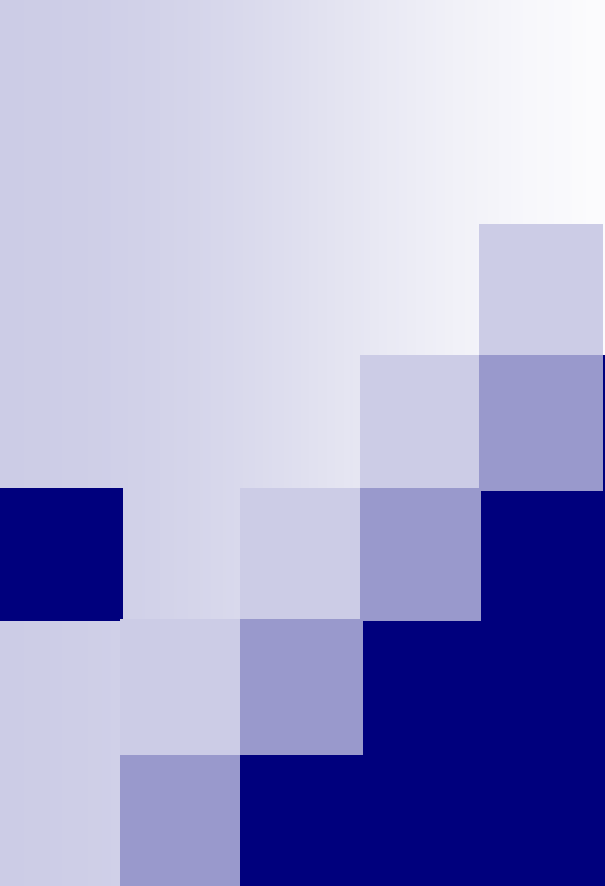




Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities (MedDRA) Update

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Topics

- MedDRA as an ICH initiative
- How MedDRA is used
- Standardised MedDRA Queries (SMQs)
- Recent developments
 - MedDRA and Vigibase
 - Chinese MedDRA Translation
 - CTCAE Developments
 - Medical Device Terms Developments
 - MedDRA Free Training

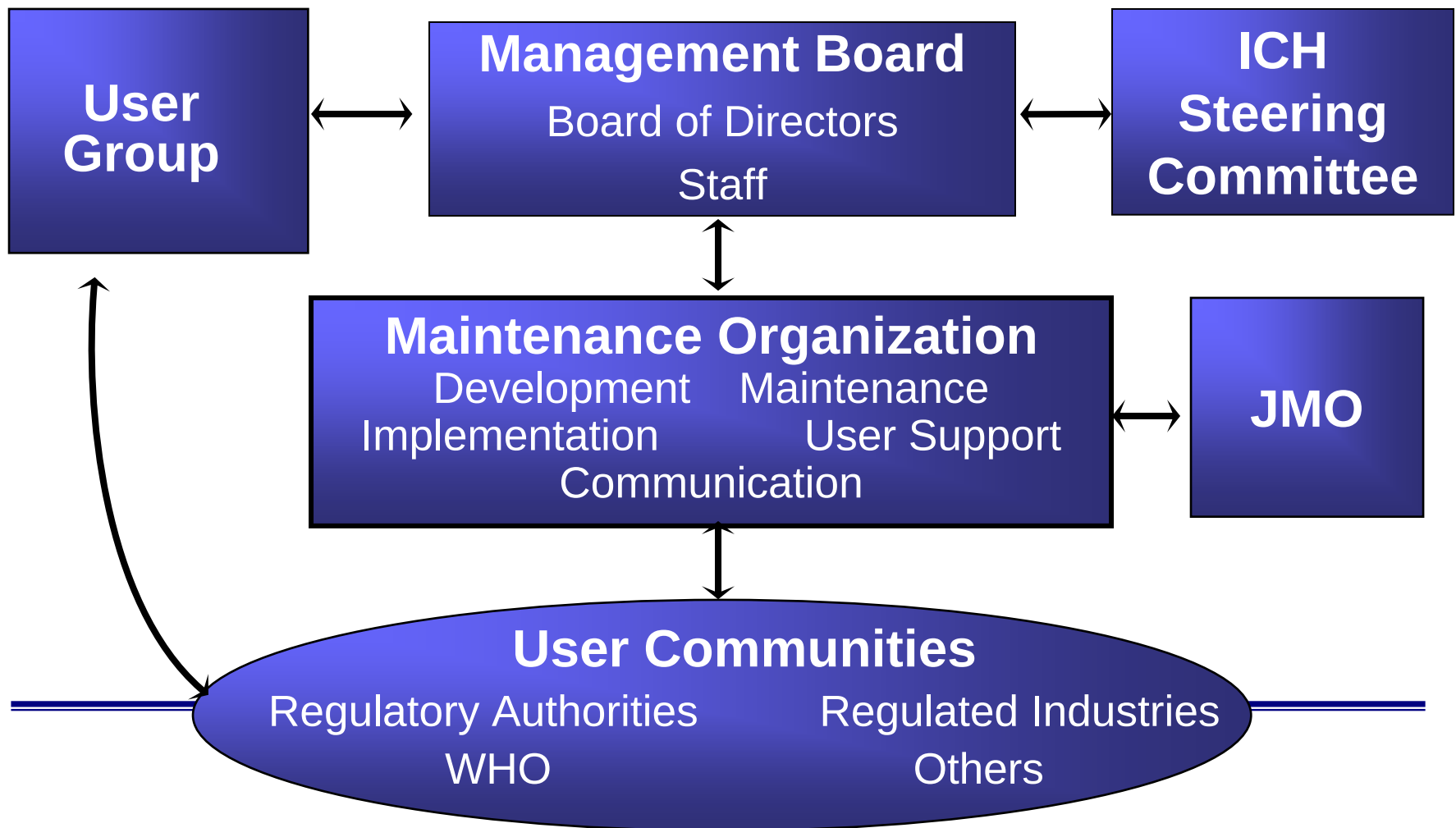


Objectives for MedDRA Development

Result of an ICH initiative (M1)

- An international multi-lingual terminology
- Standardized communication between industry and regulators
- Support of electronic submissions
- Application through all phases of the development cycle
- Classification a wide range of clinical information for multiple medical product areas
- Maintained by MSSO

Maintenance Organization Structure

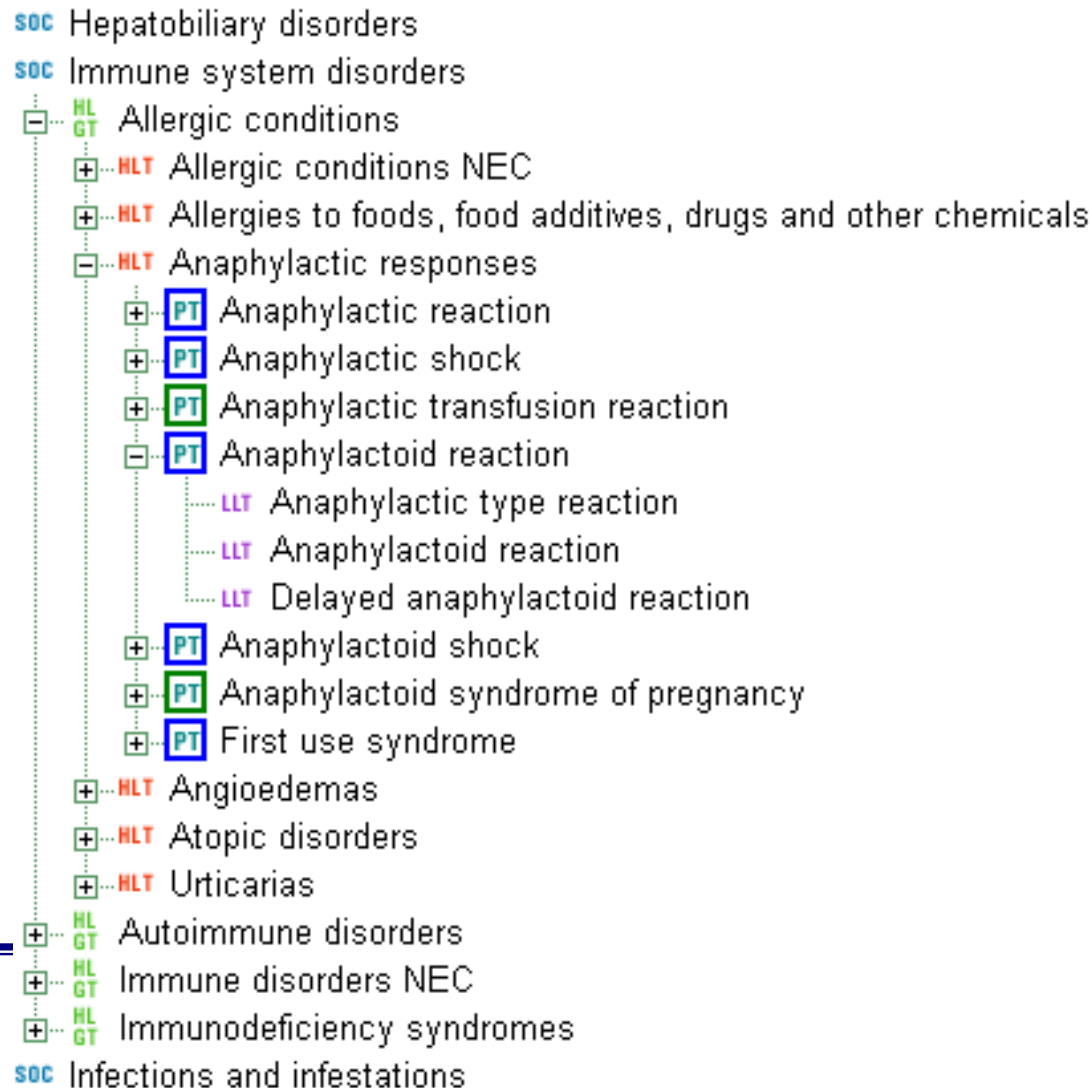




How is MedDRA Used?

- To code (classify) ADR/AEs, history, indication, investigations, procedures, etc.
- Verbatim/reported information is linked to a MedDRA Lowest Level Term (LLT)
- LLTs have a parent concept Preferred Term (PT)
- Grouping terms and System Organ Classes (SOCs) logically group concepts for later retrieval and analysis
- Used for coding, assessment, and reporting of safety data for both marketed products and clinical studies

MedDRA Hierarchy



Definition of SMQ

- Result of cooperative effort between CIOMS and ICH (MSSO)
- Groupings of terms from one or more MedDRA System Organ Classes (SOCs) related to defined medical condition or area of interest
- Included terms may relate to signs, symptoms, diagnoses, syndromes, physical findings, laboratory and other physiologic test data, etc., related to medical condition or area of interest
- Intended to aid in case identification

SMQs in Production - Examples

- As of Version 11.1, a total of 67 in production
(Other SMQs in development)
 - Adverse pregnancy outcome/reproductive toxicity (incl neonatal disorders)
 - Agranulocytosis
 - Anaphylactic reaction
 - Cerebrovascular disorders
 - Convulsions
 - Depression and suicide/self-injury
 - Hepatic disorders
 - Ischaemic heart disease
 - Lack of efficacy/effect
 - Peripheral neuropathy
 - Pseudomembranous colitis
 - Rhabdomyolysis/myopathy
 - Severe cutaneous adverse reactions
 - Systemic lupus erythematosus



MedDRA in Vigibase

- MSSO has worked with WHO at the Uppsala Monitoring Center to include MedDRA in Vigibase
- Vigibase includes several million AE cases collected around the world
- All Vigibase events now have a MedDRA term assigned
- Vigibase provides searches and reports that support MedDRA
- Became available in April 2008



Chinese MedDRA – Current Status

- Currently conducting the translation
 - Will be maintained like all other translations
- MSSO will develop a webpage on MSSO website in Chinese to provide basic facts
- Anticipate initial release in late 2009
- Supported by updated MedDRA Desktop Browser
- Fee to be on a sliding scale

CTCAE and MedDRA

- Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events v3.0, required by NCI to code trials
 - Sponsors often code in both CTCAE and MedDRA
 - Current CTCAE/MedDRA mapping insufficient
 - NCI to include MedDRA LLTs directly into CTCAE
 - New version (4.0) will be available in April 2009
 - Removes need for double coding or map to MedDRA
 - MSSO working closely with NCI and cancer community to develop revision
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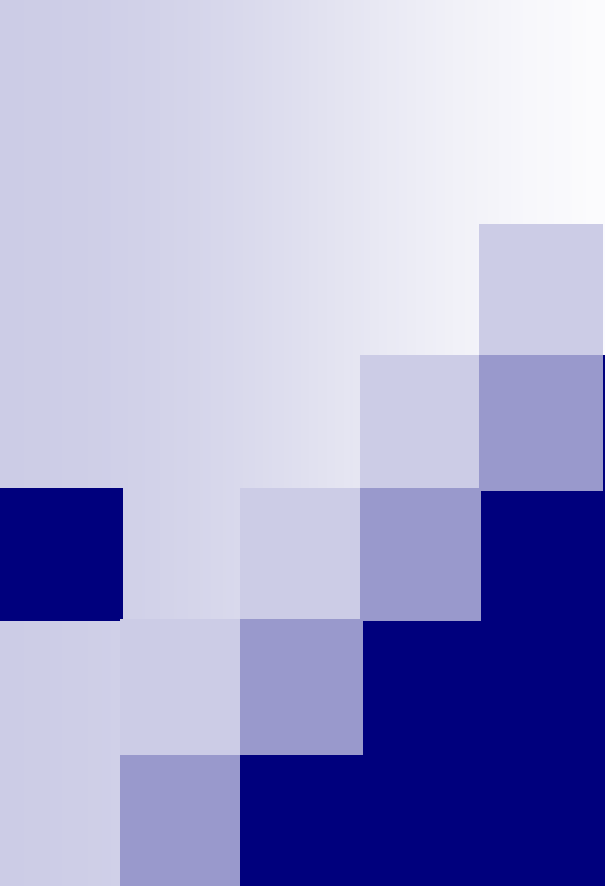


Medical Device Terms

- CDRH
 - 60 terms already added to MedDRA
- ISO (TC 210 WG)
 - “Coding structure for adverse event type and cause”
 - Very general terms
- MSSO Device Working Group tasks
 - Industry, FDA, JMO
 - Review CDRH and ISO terms
 - Develop recommendations on criteria for inclusion
 - Develop recommendations on the future device hierarchical structure
 - Expected to take 6 months

Free MedDRA Training (cont)

- Training came as a result of concerns from regulatory authorities
 - Poor coding quality
 - Turnover in industry
 - Need to rely on electronic data exchange
- MSSO is conducting free MedDRA training classes
 - Coding with MedDRA
 - Introduction to MedDRA Data Analysis and SMQs for Physicians
- Conducted in the US and Europe
 - 35 classes scheduled, 22 completed
- Free webinars being scheduled



Questions?

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