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## INTRODUCTION

This document outlines a process for supporting CONFIDENCE in the use of the 80001 series by developing security ASSURANCE cases (henceforth SECURITY CASES) to complement a security RISK MANAGEMENT process. IEC 80001-1 provides the roles, responsibilities and activities necessary for RISK MANAGEMENT.

IEC TR 80001-2-2 provides additional guidance in relation to how SECURITY CAPABILITIES might be referenced (disclosed and discussed) in both the RISK MANAGEMENT process and stakeholder communications and agreements phases. IEC TR 80001-2-2 contains an informative set of common, descriptive SECURITY CAPABILITIES intended to be the starting point for a security-centric discussion between the vendor and purchaser or among a larger group of stakeholders involved in a MEDICAL DEVICE IT-NETWORK project. Scalability is possible across a range of different sizes of RESPONSIBLE ORGANIZATIONS (henceforth called healthcare delivery organizations – HDOs) as each evaluates RISK using the SECURITY CAPABILITIES and decides what to include or not to include according to their RISK tolerance, intended use and available resources. This information may be used by HDOs as input to their IEC 80001-1 PROCESS or to form the basis of RESPONSIBILITY AGREEMENTS among stakeholders. IEC TR 80001-2-1 provides step-by-step guidance in the RISK MANAGEMENT PROCESS. IEC TR 80001-2-2 SECURITY CAPABILITIES encourages the disclosure of more detailed SECURITY CONTROLS.

IEC TR 80001-2-8 identifies SECURITY CONTROLS from key security standards which aim to provide guidance to HDOs, MEDICAL DEVICE manufacturers (MDMs) when adapting the framework outlined in IEC TR 80001-2-2 and establishing each of the SECURITY CAPABILITIES presented here. A SECURITY CAPABILITY, as defined in IEC TR 80001-2-2, represents a broad category of technical, administrative and/or organizational SECURITY CONTROLS<sup>1)</sup> required to manage RISKS to confidentiality, integrity, availability and accountability of data and systems. IEC TR 80001-2-8 presents these categories of SECURITY CONTROLS prescribed for a system to establish SECURITY CAPABILITIES to support the maintenance of confidentiality and the protection from intentional or unintentional intrusion that may lead to compromises in integrity or system/data availability. IEC TR 80001-2-8 provides HDOs and MDMs with a catalogue of technical, management, operational and administrative controls. IEC TR 80001-2-8 presents the 19 SECURITY CAPABILITIES, their respective “requirement goal” and “user need” (identical to that in IEC TR 80001-2-2) with a corresponding list of SECURITY CONTROLS from a number of security standards.

This document integrates the information and guidance contained in IEC TR 80001-2-2 and IEC TR 80001-2-8 together to provide guidance to HDOs and MDMs for identifying, developing, interpreting, updating and maintaining security ASSURANCE cases. Although other means of establishing CONFIDENCE in a particular property (e.g. security) exist, this document provides one such way in assuring CONFIDENCE in the establishment of IEC TR 80001-2-2 SECURITY CAPABILITIES through the use of SECURITY CASES. The purpose of the SECURITY CASE is to provide CONFIDENCE in the establishment of the IEC TR 80001-2-2 SECURITY CAPABILITIES for networked MEDICAL DEVICES. This is achieved by applying a SECURITY PATTERN to each of the 19 SECURITY CAPABILITIES. The objectives of the SECURITY PATTERN are as follows:

- to reduce the time required to develop the SECURITY CASE by providing a repeatable and systematic step-by-step, RISK based blue-print;
- provide a means to re-use components of the SECURITY PATTERN either within a SECURITY CASE or from one SECURITY CASE to another;
- to reduce the complexity often associated with the development of SECURITY CASES;
- provide a visible traceability matrix linking the SECURITY CONTROLS to the security threats and vulnerabilities identified during RISK MANAGEMENT;

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<sup>1)</sup> For the purpose of consistency throughout this document, the terms SECURITY CONTROLS refer to the technical, management, administrative and organizational controls/safeguards prescribed to establish SECURITY CAPABILITIES.



- reduce the likelihood of missing a step in the ARGUMENT;
- improve the readability of the SECURITY CASE;
- provide CONFIDENCE regarding the integrity of the EVIDENCE collected based on the information presented in the ARGUMENT.

The process of developing the SECURITY CASE is not intended to replace a RISK MANAGEMENT process nor does it generate new processes, rather, the SECURITY CASE should complement the RISK MANAGEMENT process with a reference to, or, inclusion of the following supporting documentation by MDMs and HDOs:

- information regarding the intended use of the MEDICAL DEVICE, operational environment, network structure, interfaces, boundaries etc.;
- information regarding system description, security objectives and assets to be protected;
- justification for selection of SECURITY CAPABILITIES;
- justification for non-selection of SECURITY CAPABILITIES;
- assets being protected by specific SECURITY CAPABILITY;
- RISK acceptability criteria policy;
- all identified unacceptable threats/vulnerabilities;
- threat / vulnerability / RISK log;
- impact / threat scenario / consequence information;
- reference to source for selection of SECURITY CONTROLS (e.g. IEC TR 80001-2-8 tables).

The above information becomes part of, and remains with the SECURITY CASE from concept phase through to development, operation and retirement. Supporting information such as this can aid in better design choices, better maintenance during operation and more efficient and informative feedback practices.

This document is not intended to provide exhaustive guidance for the application of a RISK MANAGEMENT process nor does it mandate the use of any particular RISK MANAGEMENT process however IEC 80001-1 provides guidance on how to carry out RISK MANAGEMENT for medical IT-networks. Similarly, ISO 14971 provides guidance for the process of conducting RISK MANAGEMENT for MEDICAL DEVICES. For RISK MANAGEMENT processes such as RISK/benefit analysis, which is not covered in this document, HDOs refer to IEC 80001-1:2010, 4.4.5 and MDMs refer to ISO 14971,6.5.

## APPLICATION OF RISK MANAGEMENT FOR IT-NETWORKS INCORPORATING MEDICAL DEVICES –

### Part 2-9: Application guidance – Guidance for use of security assurance cases to demonstrate confidence in IEC TR 80001-2-2 security capabilities

#### 1 Scope

This part of 80001 establishes a SECURITY CASE framework and provides guidance to health care delivery organizations (HDO) and MEDICAL DEVICE MANUFACTURERS (MDM) for identifying, developing, interpreting, updating and maintaining SECURITY CASES for networked MEDICAL DEVICES. Use of this part of 80001 is intended to be one of the possible means to bridge the gap between MDMs and HDOs in providing adequate information to support the HDOs RISK MANAGEMENT of IT-NETWORKS. This document leverages the requirements set out in ISO/IEC 15026-2 for the development of ASSURANCE cases<sup>2)</sup>. It is not intended that this SECURITY CASE framework will replace a RISK MANAGEMENT strategy, rather, the intention is to complement RISK MANAGEMENT and in turn provide a greater level of ASSURANCE for a MEDICAL DEVICE by:

- mapping specific RISK MANAGEMENT steps to each of the IEC TR 80001-2-2 SECURITY CAPABILITIES, identifying associated threats and vulnerabilities and presenting them in the format of a SECURITY CASE with the inclusion of a re-useable SECURITY PATTERN;
- providing guidance for the selection of appropriate SECURITY CONTROLS to establish SECURITY CAPABILITIES and presenting them as part of the SECURITY CASE pattern (IEC TR 80001-2-8 provides examples of such SECURITY CONTROLS);
- providing EVIDENCE to support the implementation of a SECURITY CONTROL, hence providing CONFIDENCE in the establishment of each of the SECURITY CAPABILITIES.

The purpose of developing the SECURITY CASE is to demonstrate CONFIDENCE in the establishment of IEC TR 80001-2-2 SECURITY CAPABILITIES. The quality of artifacts gathered and documented during the development of the SECURITY CASE is agreed and documented as part of a RESPONSIBILITY AGREEMENT between the relevant stakeholders. This document provides guidance for one such methodology, through the use of a specific SECURITY PATTERN, to develop and interpret SECURITY CASES in a systematic manner.

#### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC TR 80001-2-2:2012, *Application of risk management for IT-networks incorporating medical devices – Part 2-2: Guidance for the disclosure and communication of medical device security needs, risks and controls*<sup>3)</sup>

<sup>2)</sup> These requirements are adapted for networked MEDICAL DEVICES where the sole critical property is “security” and where the CLAIM relates to the establishment of the IEC TR 80001-2-2 SECURITY CAPABILITIES with the inclusion of a specific security ARGUMENT PATTERN.

<sup>3)</sup> IEC TR 80001-2-2 contains many additional standards, policies and reference materials which are also indispensable for the application of this document.