



## LEVERAGING YOUR VENDORS TO SUPPORT DATA INTEGRITY:

QUESTIONS TO ASK AND  
RESPONSIBILITIES TO DOCUMENT

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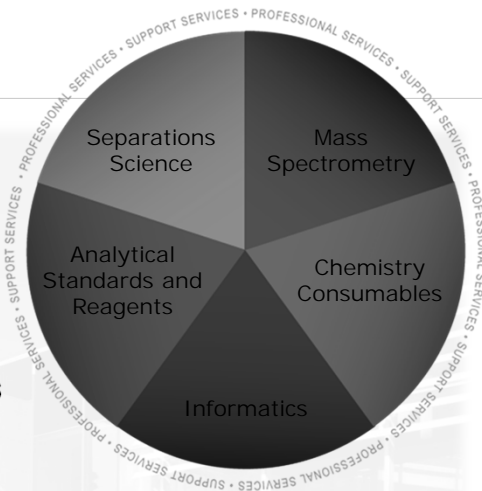
## About Waters Lab Informatics



Informatics development and service centers  
Milford, MA, USA, Manchester, UK, Brasov, Romania  
>550 employees focused on Informatics

### Installed Base

- > 4,000 Empower networks installed worldwide
- > 425,000 Empower licenses
  - > 10 languages
  - All Top Pharma uses Empower
- > 50,000 NuGenesis licenses

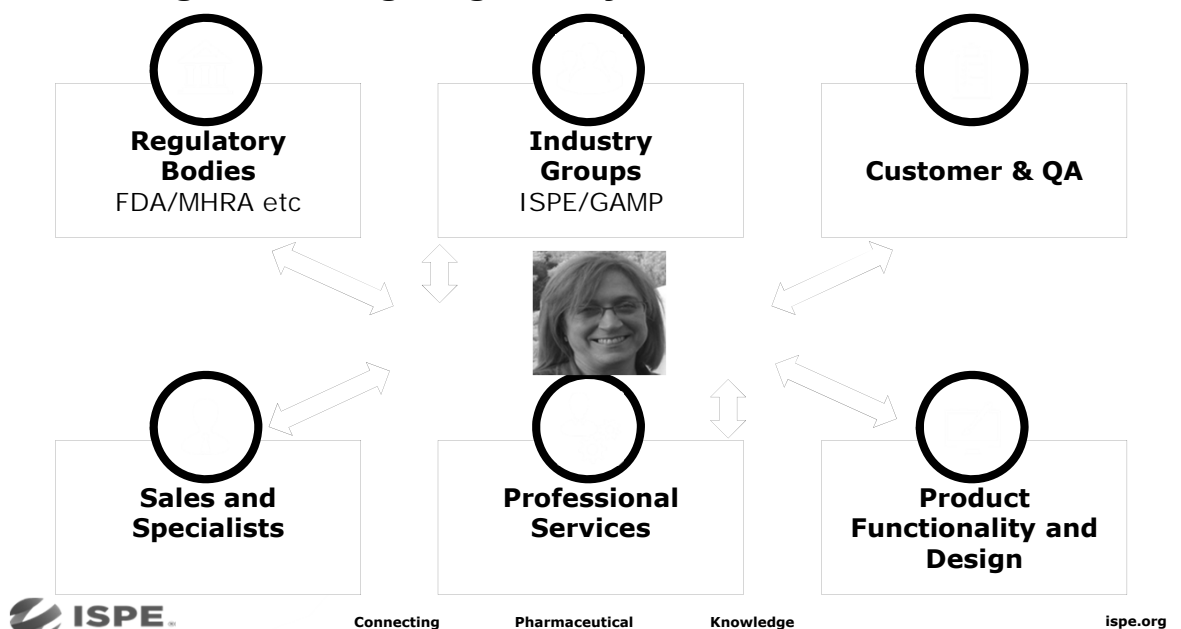


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## Gathering & Sharing Regulatory Information



## Data Integrity Guidances



Website Q and A 2015,  
DRAFT Guidance April 2016  
DRAFT: Use of ER and ES  
in Clinical Investigations June 2017



For GLP, April 2016



GxP Data Integrity, March 2018



Released June 2016,  
as WHO\_TRS\_996 Annex 5



EPA QA/G-8,  
November 2002



EUROPEAN MEDICINES AGENCY  
SCIENCE MEDICINES HEALTH

Q and A: August 2016  
Annex 11 and Chapter 4  
revision 2018



PI-041-1 (DRAFT 3),  
coming April 2018



Points to Consider Series:  
Conduct: March 2016  
Fundamentals: Sept 2016  
Data Integrity: In Progress



GAMP: RDI Guide  
Published  
April 4<sup>th</sup> 2017



Coming Soon



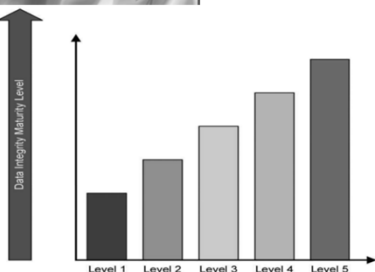
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## ISPE Records and Data Integrity



### ■ RDI Guide is the 'sister' guide to GAMP 5

- Computer System Lifecycle
- Data Lifecycle
- Additional detailed GPG's will be released under the RDI Guide

### ■ Main Body

- Introduction, Regulatory Focus, Data Governance Framework, Data Lifecycle, Quality Risk Management

### ■ Appendices

- Management
  - Corporate Data Integrity Program
  - Data Integrity Risk Management
- Development
- Operations



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## What is involved in Data Integrity?

### People

- Culture for data integrity
- Governance and data review
- Unique user accounts
- Scientific skill
- Training
- Safeguards against fraud



### Quality Separations

- Quality standards & reagents
- Instrument calibration & maintenance
- Qualification
- Method validation
- System suitability
- Quality Columns



### Laboratory Computerized Systems

- Built-in data integrity controls
- Computerized system validation
- Maximum Automation
  - Minimum Human Intervention
- Traceability
- Periodic review



### IT Components

- Secure centralized storage
- Network qualification
- Disaster recovery plan
- Backup and restore process
- Archiving electronic data



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## THE RIGHT APPLICATIONS AND TRAINING

For GxP Environments

### Technical Controls

**“Is your software compliant?”**

- > Does your software have all the technical controls to meet part 11?
- > Why wasn't it configured to work correctly in my regulated environment?

**“Is it OK if we share one user account so I don't have to buy more licences?”**

**“Do you have an audit trail in your software?”**

- > If there is one... why should look at it all the time?

**“Why do I have to enter a reason/comment every time?”**



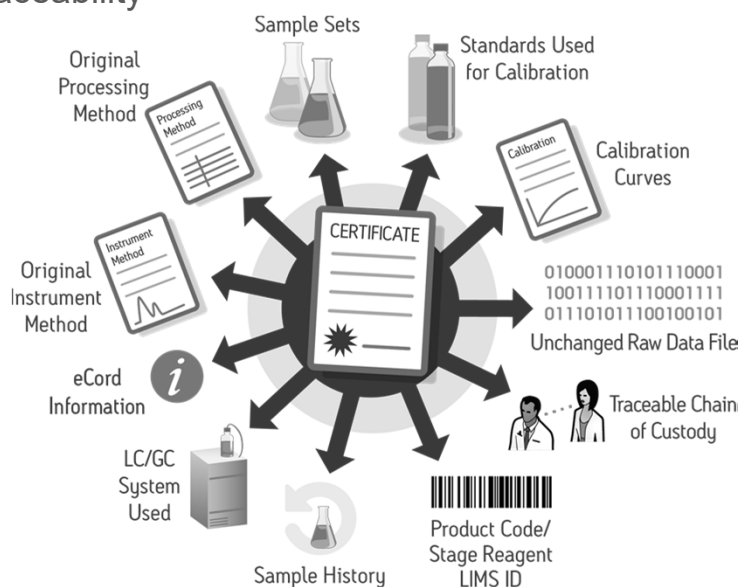
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## Empower Traceability



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## Technical Controls

Does your software have...

**Part 11 compliance?**

**Audit trail?**

**Backup and restore?**



**“Yes ...but...”**

- > Have you configured, tested and locked configurations to match your SOPs?
  - (passwords on a sticky note... backup that happen sporadically or were never tested)
- > Can you explain and show that you understand and have “challenged” these technical controls?



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## Help me Deal with Regulators

### Can you please speak to this investigator and explain how this works?

Could you tell the auditor why we do it this way?

Can you write a response to this 483 observation we just received?

Can you guarantee I won't get any 483 observations in my next audit?

### Please tell the FDA how this software works?

### Please would you NOT tell the FDA how this software works?



And you are on speaker phone...with the FDA



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## Why you should not invite /demand your vendor takes part in your inspection

### Vendors do not know your product, procedures or SOPs

Vendors have not been trained in how to participate in audits at your company

Customers use the same software in different ways, may connect to LIMS or ELNs in unknown ways.

### Calling the vendor indicates you do not know your equipment /tools

It could be very easy for your vendor to say something contrary to your procedures



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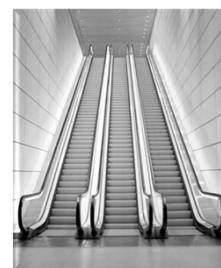
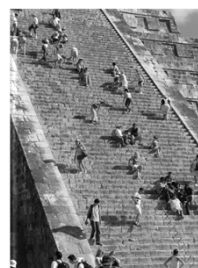
## What do I have to do for validation and training?

“Can you send SOPs on how to use this equipment?”

“Can you train users on how to use those SOPs?”

“Can you train QA on how they should review my data?”

“I need you to tell me what is the minimum I have to do to meet my regulatory requirements”



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## Key services to train and support



### User Training

- Analysts, supervisors and managers
- QA reviewers
- Data Integrity questions preparedness
- Administration teams



### Periodic Review Services

- Leverage vendor tools and expert advise
- Computerized System Validation Support

Vendor Qualification services for instruments and software

Leverage vendor QMS evaluation testing and CSV professional services



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## THE RIGHT APPLICATION VENDOR / CSV CONSULTANT

Computer System Validation

### Computerized System Validation

**“Please send me a user requirement specification for this computerized system?”**

**“Where is my validation certificate?”**

**“If you've tested the software, why do I have to do it?”**

**“You qualified the equipment, isn't that enough?”**

**“How can I prove the numbers/ calculations are right?”**

**“I need copies of all your test cases...”**

**“I'm not sure I if I should trust the vendor testing, so I'm going to test every function and button just in case...”**



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## The onion layers of “validation”

System Suitability	•Prior and During analysis •Post Analysis ( ISR)
Method Validation	•On a qualified system •Exactly as you intend to use it
Performance testing	•After maintenance •“periodically”
Software Validation	•To YOUR user requirement •Using your SOPs
Extended Software Qualification	•Functionality you will use •Especially Data Integrity
Vendor Qualification	•Software ( Basic) •Instrument
Vendor testing	•Software •Instrument



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## Leveraging Vendor Testing

- **Supplier Assessment**
- **Regulatory FAQs**
- **Release Acceptance Tests: Test Summaries**

- > Unlikely to have access to actual Test Documents, except in a live audit under NDA
- > Compare to EU Annex 11 requirement to share 3<sup>rd</sup> party supplier assessment documentation
- > Consider sharing the overall assessment report

- **ISO /Lloyds certificates**
- **Examples of your own escalation and resolution through your vendor**



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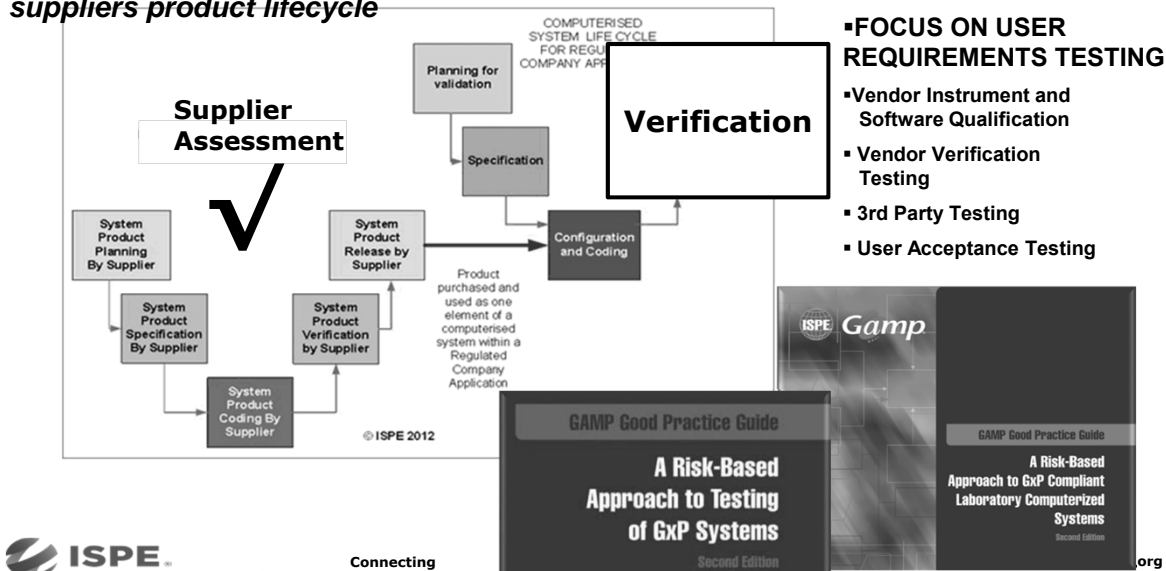
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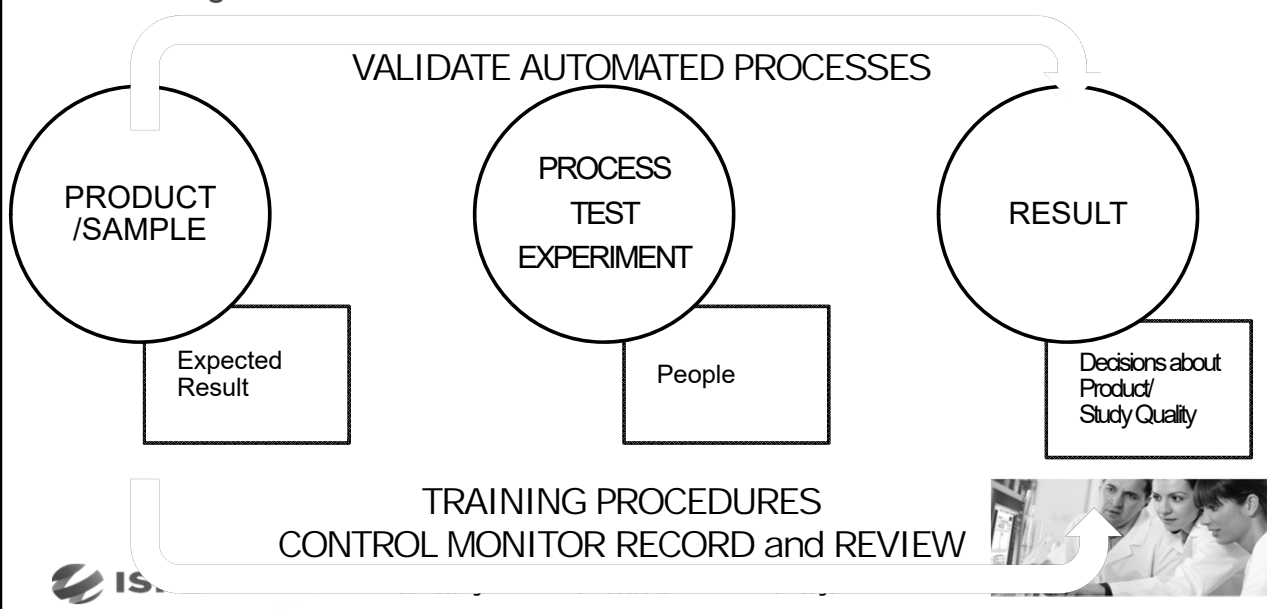
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## GAMP Good Practice Guides

*Leveraging work already done in the suppliers product lifecycle*



## Addressing Technical and Procedural Controls

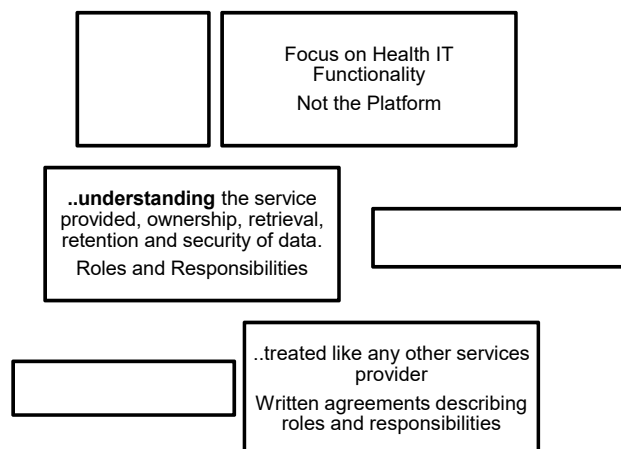




## THE RIGHT CLOUD HOSTING VENDORS

Roles and Responsibilities

## Regulators Guidance about Cloud Hosted Services



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## ISPE :Cloud technologies associates RISK

ISPE Infrastructure Control and Compliance Good Practice Guide 2<sup>nd</sup> edition 2017

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### Examples | Risk Consideration Chris Reid: ISPE GAMP

	Increased RISK	Decreased RISK
<b>Outsourcing</b>		
Surrendered control	↑	
Outsource company has better processes		↓
<b>Virtualization</b>		
If a physical machine fails, the image finds new hardware to live on		↓
<b>Data in the Cloud</b>		
Better disaster recovery protection		↓
Data is not on the regulated company's asset	↑	
<b>Provider selection: Amazon Web Services</b>		↓
Responsibility for performance & application management	↑	
Responsibility for security	↑	
Contracts and service level agreements Service Provider business failure	↑	

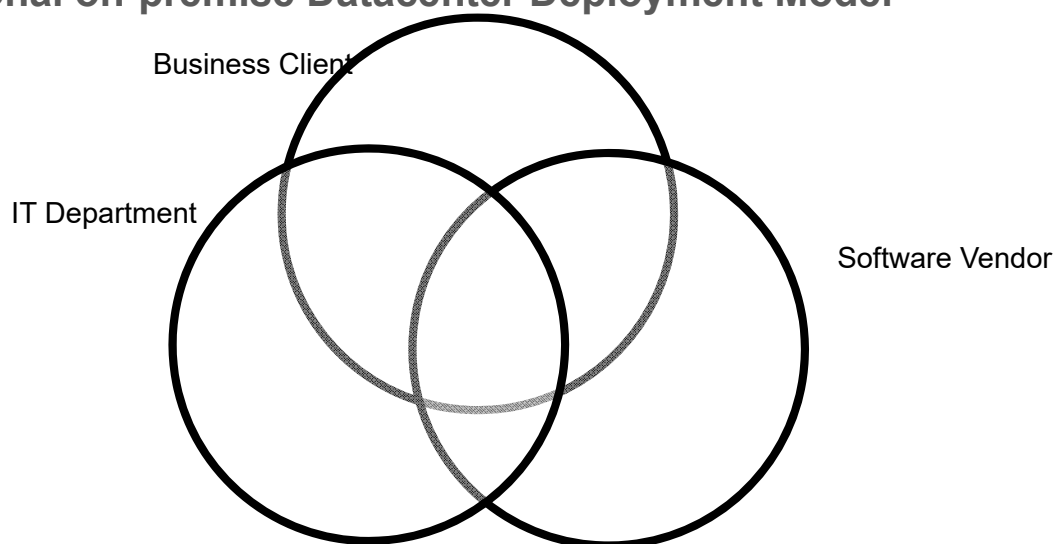
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## Real Life Responsibilities

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## Defining Vendor and Client Traditional on-premise Datacenter Deployment Model



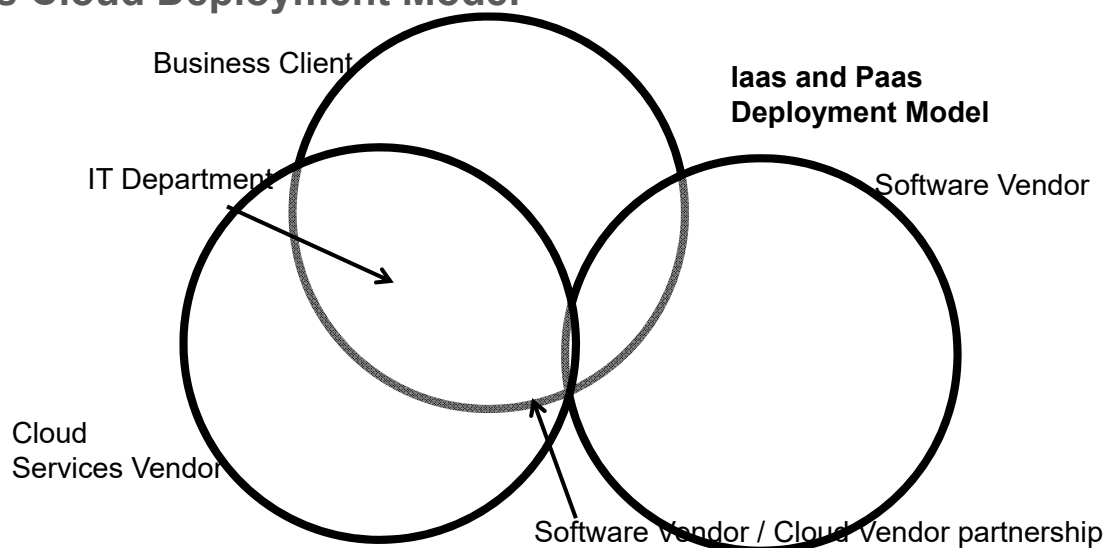
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## Defining Vendor and Client in a IaaS Cloud Deployment Model



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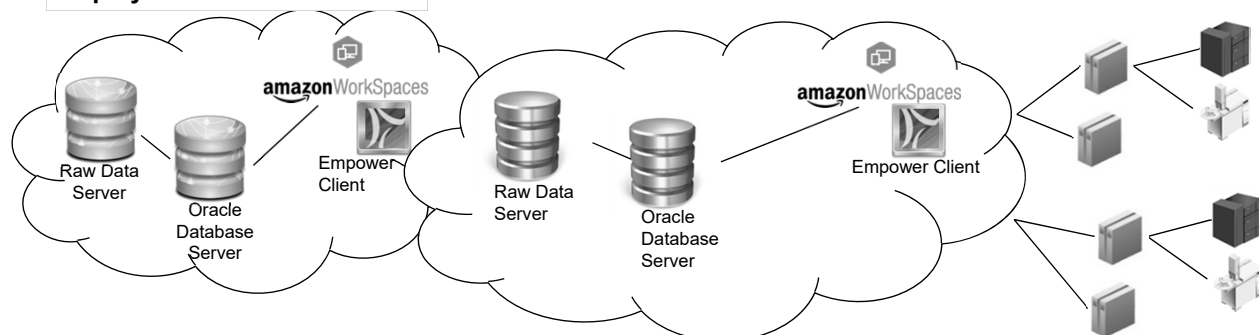
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## Empower Cloud

### Waters Tested Templates and Deployment Procedures



- Waters design, evaluate and provide templates under Waters Quality Management Systems (QMS)
- Waters Professional Services assist customers to design, build and validate appropriate Amazon infrastructure
- Use automated deployment tools to replicate Waters templates onto their cloud infrastructure
- Minimizes variation and risk

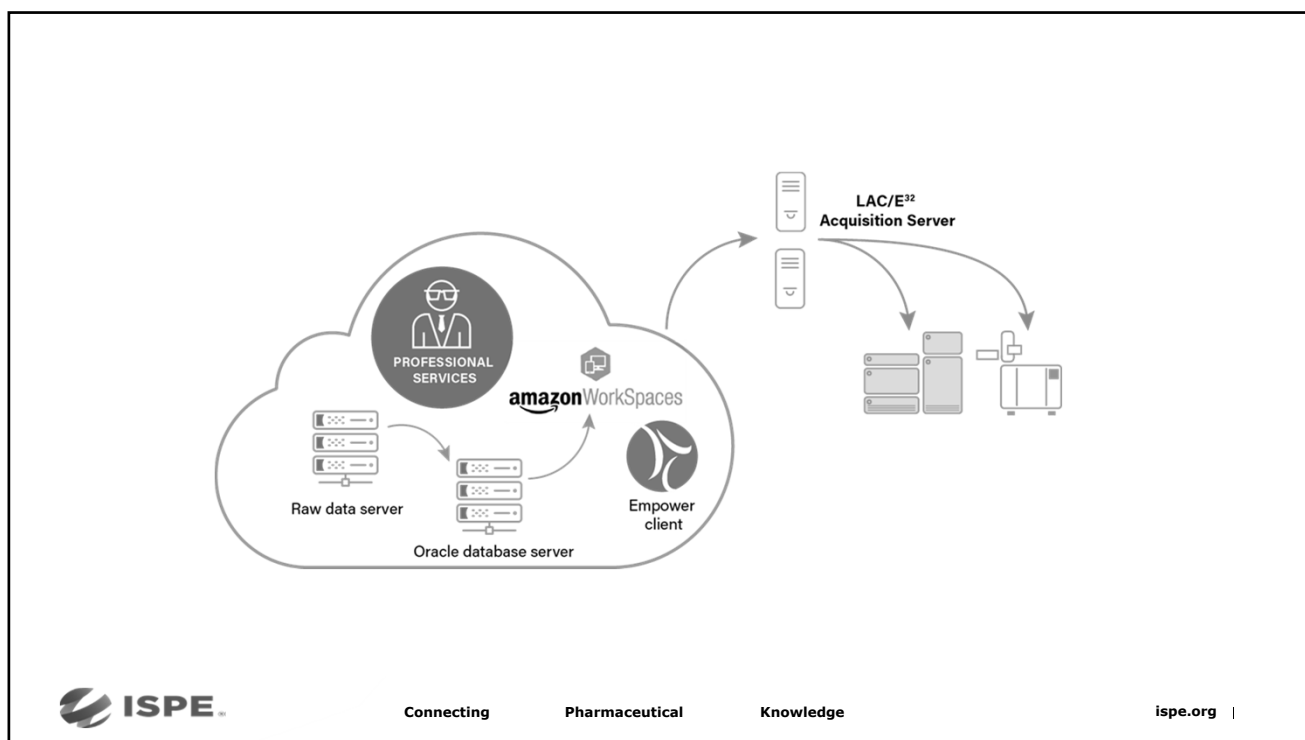


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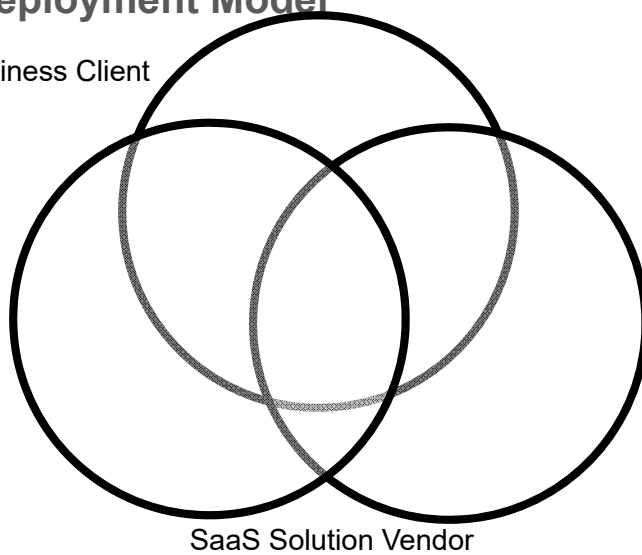
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## Defining Vendor and Client in a SaaS Cloud deployment Model

Business Client





## ISPE GAMP COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE ACTIVITIES

### The GAMP CoP Mission

- GAMP® CoP Mission The ISPE GAMP® Community of Practice (CoP) exists to **promote the understanding of the regulation and use of computerized systems, control systems and intelligent instruments** ...within the **pharmaceutical, biopharmaceutical, medical device** industries or other regulated healthcare institutions
- The GAMP® CoP will work with other ISPE CoP's to ensure a consistent ISPE message. Whenever possible, the GAMP® CoP will form relationships, coordinated through ISPE, with like-minded industry associations and competent regulatory authorities to create **globally harmonized quality standards and approaches to implementation and operation of computerized systems**.
- Furthermore the GAMP® CoP **will partner with suppliers to identify and share best practices in order to have a positive influence on the quality of computerized systems used in the industry.**



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## SOC2+ for Life Science Companies

### GAMP Task Team with extensive experience in Auditing and SOC2+

**How to assess a supplier who won't let QA auditors in the door?**

*Look to compliance with another federal law: Sarbanes-Oxley*

**Solution: The finance sector has a process wherein suppliers**

- Engage an independent third-party audit firm to conduct an audit supported by testing of controls
- Management responds to the audit, implements corrective actions
- Audit results and management response are made available to user companies

**Life science companies**

- Get an independent assessment of companies they have not been able to audit
- For traditional GxP suppliers, they may not need to audit or may be able to do a quicker, more focused audit

**Regulators know that an independent audit supported by test evidence has been done**

**The existing finance process covers better than 90% of the controls expected for data integrity!**

**The GAMP team is working on closing that gap and developing a trustworthy GxP process**



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## ISPE GAMP: Cloud Special Interest Group (SIG)

**Continue to provide education and guidance documents for IaaS, PaaS and SaaS deployment models**



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## ISPE GAMP: DI SIG

Further GPGs planned for 2018 and beyond

- Key concepts
- Manufacturing Systems
- Lab Systems
- Data Lifecycle
- Clinical
- ERP

Always looking for volunteers to plan, write, review and revise content

Separate Quarterly Education Meetings

- Open to all SIG Members
- Volunteer speakers always welcome



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