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Project management in medical writing

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Medical writing has now evolved from being a sub-specialty service to a full-fledged line of business in the Healthcare Industry. A lucrative career option in itself, medical writing offers avenues not only as individual contributors, but also leadership and managerial positions. While, typically, medical writers develop documents individually or as a team, it would be worth extrapolating and comparing medical writing as an operation and treating each assignment as a project. With this, principles of project management usually applied to operational scenario can also be implemented to Medical writing profile and projects to further ease out and systematize the medical writing as a function. In medical writing, it is estimated that while 60% of a writer's job is actually writing, 40% is project management. Hence, besides being technically equipped to execute the core activity i.e. draft the required document, project management skills are also desired in a medical writer. Project management is the application of knowledge, skills and techniques to execute projects effectively and efficiently. The concept of project management revolves around balancing The Triple constraints – Time, Scope, Cost; keeping Quality as the core. The discipline of project management is about providing the tools and techniques that enable the project team to organize their work to meet these constraints. Project management processes falls into five categories – Initiation, Planning & Design, Executing, Monitoring and Controlling, and Close-out. This presentation shall describe the extrapolation of project management concepts to Medical Writing as a function, and involve discussion on each aspect of project lifecycle in lines of a medical writing project, and a step-wise schedule of events/activities for handling a medical writing assignment from initiation to close.

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Clinical Research in Arabian Peninsula from ClinicalTrials.gov

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The ClinicalTrials.gov web site supply an appropriate link to look up any study results, however quantitative analyses' format cannot be downloaded. Thus the purpose is to directly download study results from this web site and provides a link to retrieve all of the results in a sheet format in order to be analyzed properly and by analyzing them, and then we describe the clinical trial activity in the Arabian Peninsula. An expert validated the outcome classification algorithms that we used in this against classification. We created databases of the study results ready for analysis by identifying the studies by intervention, population, or outcome of interest. However, this study is simply based upon the information that is in ClinicalTrials.gov. Therefore, our conclusion is that expanding the usefulness of the ClinicalTrials.gov registry by having a database ready for analysis. The benefit from doing this is increases the speed of comparative research.

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