



## Aligning Medical Information and Field Medical

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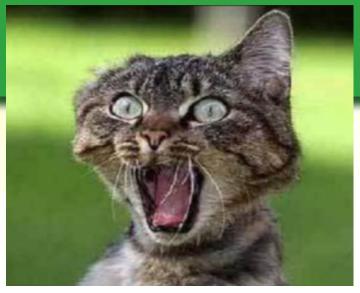
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## **Educational Objectives**

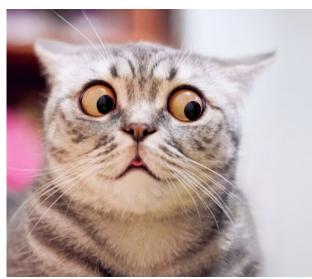
## This session will provide a learning opportunity for our audience by:

- Understanding the efficiencies to be gained from aligning MI & MSL teams
- Discussing various structure considerations
- Bringing awareness to the challenges









"There are more ways to kill a dog than hanging."

> - John Ray, Collection of English Proverbs; 1678

"As it is said, 'There are more ways than one to skin a cat', so are there more ways than one of digging for money."

> - Seba Smith, The Money Diggers; 1840

"She was wise, subtle, and knew more than one way to skin a cat."

> - Mark Twain, A Connecticut Yankee in King Aurthur's Court; 1889



## Rationale

### Requires Nearly Identical Backgrounds and Competencies

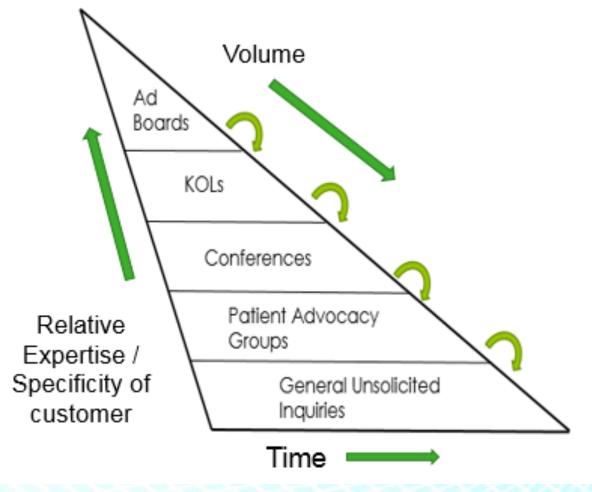
	Medical Information	MSL
Therapeutic Area Knowledge	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Identifies and addresses unmet medical needs	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Data dissemination	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Health Care System Knowledge	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Competitive Intelligence		
Engage with HCPs	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Highly credentialed	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Exposed to innovative medical developments		<b>✓</b>

## Complimentary Key Stakeholders Provide More Complete View for Insight Collection and Analysis

### All Medical Affairs functions can listen for the Voice of the Customer

Medical Information	MSL
<ul> <li>May have more interactions with patients</li> <li>Typically interacts with general practitioners</li> <li>Some Conference support</li> <li>Large and diverse customer base</li> <li>Experience with medical innovations</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Focus is typically on key opinion leaders</li> <li>External key stakeholders are typically more specialized</li> <li>Some Advisory Board and Conferences</li> <li>Fewer clinicians engaged</li> <li>Early exploration of medical innovations</li> </ul>

### **Voice of Customer Hierarchy Model**



# Medical Information and MSL Communication Governed by Same FDA Guidance's

### Responding to Unsolicited Requests...

- Medical departments often have a large body of information including data that is off-label; such information may be of use to others outside the company.
  - a. Firms are capable of responding to requests in a truthful, non-misleading, and accurate manner.
  - b. This information may be in the best interest of public health.
  - c. Responses to unsolicited requests should be generated by medical personnel, with specialized background in responding to unsolicited requests.

## Distributing Scientific and Medical Publications...

- Distributing scientific journal articles that include information on unapproved uses is not evidence of an intent that the product be used for that unapproved use.
  - a. Deliver separate from promotional information.
  - b. Questions referred to Medical Officer or department.

Guidance for Industry

Guidance for Industry

Responding to Unsolicited Requests for

Off-Label Information About

Off-Label Information Medical Devices

Prescription Drugs and Medical Devices

DRAFT GUIDANCE

### **Guidance for Industry**

Distributing Scientific and Medical Publications on Unapproved New Uses — Recommended Practices

REVISED DRAFT GUIDANCE

## **Polling Question**

Of the two, which is the more impactful activity for

### Medical Information:

- Respond to unsolicited requests for information
- Analyze requests for insights to guide strategy

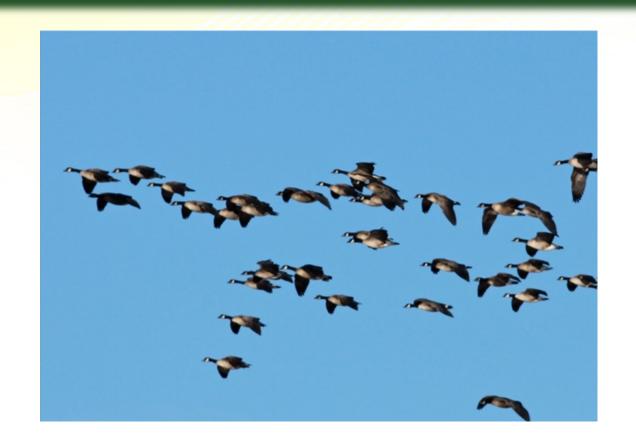
#### MSL teams:

- Respond to unsolicited requests for information
- Analyze engagements for insights to guide strategy



## Alignment

## What is Alignment?



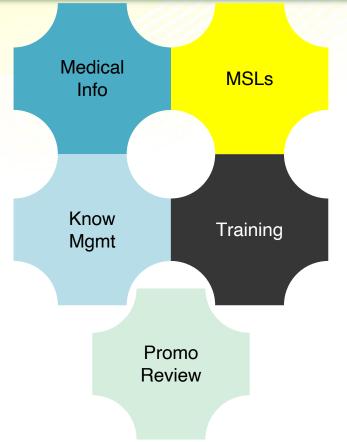


## Efficiency

## Broad Scope of Medical Affairs Provides Many Different Alignment Opportunities



# Opportunities To Leverage Economies of Scope Through Alignment or Reporting



### Scientific Engagement

- Product and disease knowledge
- Leading edge of emerging data

Medical Strategy

#### **Strategy**

- Landscape understanding
  - Lifecycle management



#### **Health Economics**

- Outcomes Research expertise
- Knowledge of access environment



### **Operations**

 Operational & Systems expertise

## **Polling Question**

At my company, Medical Information and MSL teams are:

- A. Separate and siloed
- B. Separate but aligned
- C. Closely aligned/Same structure



Challenges

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### Discussion



Hyper-alignment
Strengthens commonalities
Risks weaknesses

**Executive Expectations**Setting Proper Expectations

Writing
Voice of Customer
Clinician Interaction
Advisory Boards

Resourcing
Cross-Functional Relationships
Value
Strategy/Tactical Planning

## MAPS Resources on the Topic

### Podcasts

- Advancing Field Medical Skills Episode 1: Leading Through Change
- Expanding Capabilities in Medical Information

### Elevate Articles

- The Value of Medical Information to Internal Stakeholders
- Building Medical Insights Capabilities in Medial Affairs Organizations

### White Papers

- Challenging the Status Quo: Evolving Medical Affairs Through a Capability-Centric Model
- Promoting Best Practices for Medical Science Liaisons Position Statement from the APPA, IFAPP, MAPS, and MSLs



### Conclusion

- Build a structure that best aligns with your Medical Affairs culture, size, and goals.
- Consistent and reliable exchange of scientific information
- Acknowledge and plan for challenges presented by hyper-aligning and executive expectations

Thank you!