



Building QCP & Assessing it

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Quality Control Plan (QCP)

- **Quality Control Plan (QCP) describes practices, procedures and resources needed by your laboratory to ensure the quality of a testing process.**
- **The QCP includes measures to assure the accuracy and reliability of test results, and that the quality of testing is adequate for patient care.**
- **It must provide an immediate detection of errors that can occur from any part of the testing**
- **Amount of QC is considered based on frequency and volume of patient testing**



Input Information for Each Device

Medical Requirements for Test Results

Regulatory and Accreditation Requirements

Test System Information
* Provided by Manufacturer
* Obtained by Laboratory

Information about Healthcare and Test-Site Setting

Process

Risk Assessment

Output

Quality Control Plan

Post Implementation Monitoring

Quality Assessment

Continuous (Quality) Improvement

Adapted from: EP23-A Workbook. www.clsi.org; CMS memo, <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Downloads/Survey-and-Cert-Letter-13-54.pdf.pdf>

Needed Information



- Hazard Identification Analyses
- Risk estimation Potential frequency of problem
- Risk evaluation Criticality of problem
- Risk Control Mitigations in place or to be implemented



Procedures to consider for QCP

- **Liquid Quality control**
- **Equipment maintenance**
- **Electronic controls**
- **Internal controls**
- **Personnel training and competency assessment**
- **Equipment calibration**
- **Other specified quality control activities**



Elements of the QCP

- Type of the QC
- Number of levels
- Frequency
- Criteria of acceptability



1 Type of Quality Control	2 Frequency	3 Criteria for Acceptability (Range of Acceptable Values)

Developing the QCP

- Responsibility: Development & Implementation of QCP has to be delegated to a qualified individual by the medical director.
- The evidences of creating , implementing must be approved and signed by the lab direct



5 Items to be addressed in the final draft of the QCP

- **Provide** immediate detection of the error
- **Specify:** number, Type and frequency
- **Contain:** The evidences of creating , implementing must be approved and signed by the lab director
- **Require:** Frequency not less than Manufacture
- **Indicate:** Director Reviewable, signature and dated.



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What Information you need for QA

- All the data and reports form your QCP (QC records, PT, Calibration etc)
- Incidents and Complains
- Feedbacks

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE FAIL?



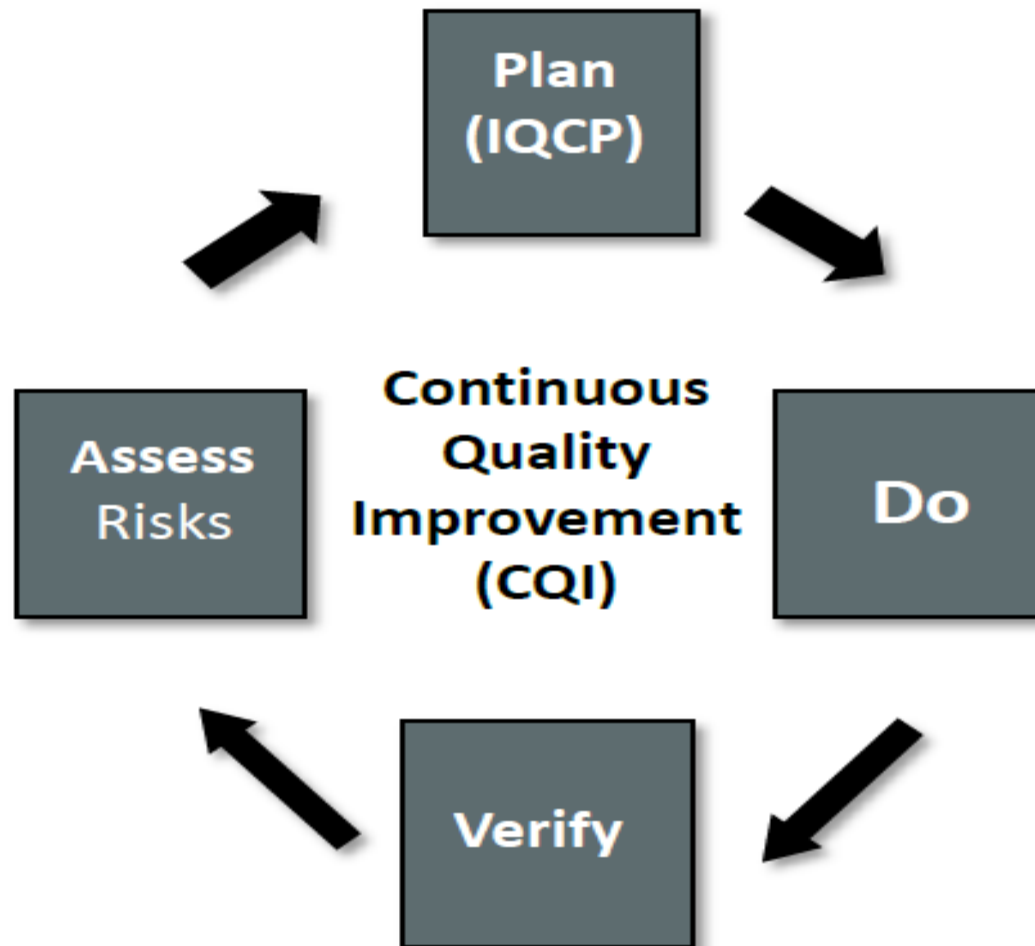
What if Failure Persist





Quality Assessment (QA)

- **Assure that the Quality control Plan is working according to defined lab policy**
- **Laboratory Personnel must establish a review system for the ongoing operation and monitor effectiveness.**
- **Corrective actions effectiveness**
- **Clear frequency**
- **Updates are documented approved and signed**

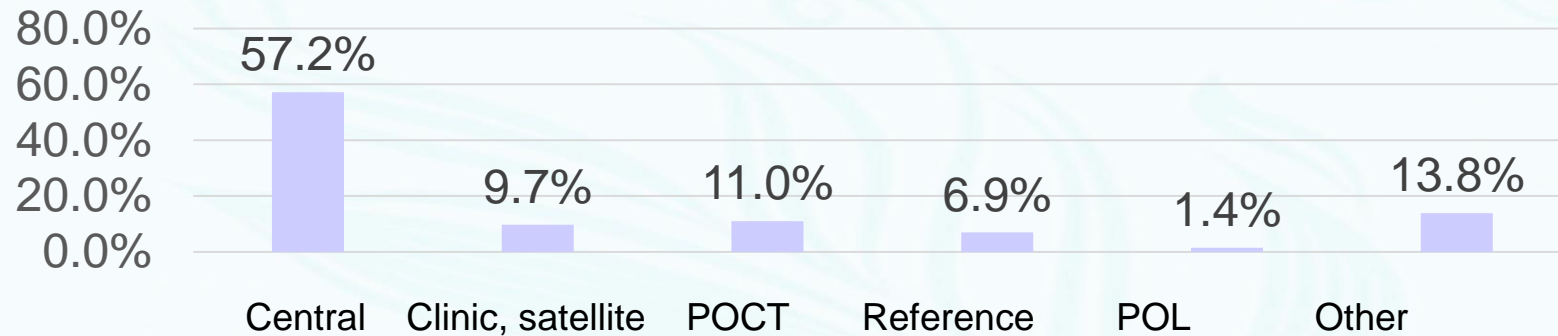


Plan – Do – Verify – Assess Cycle

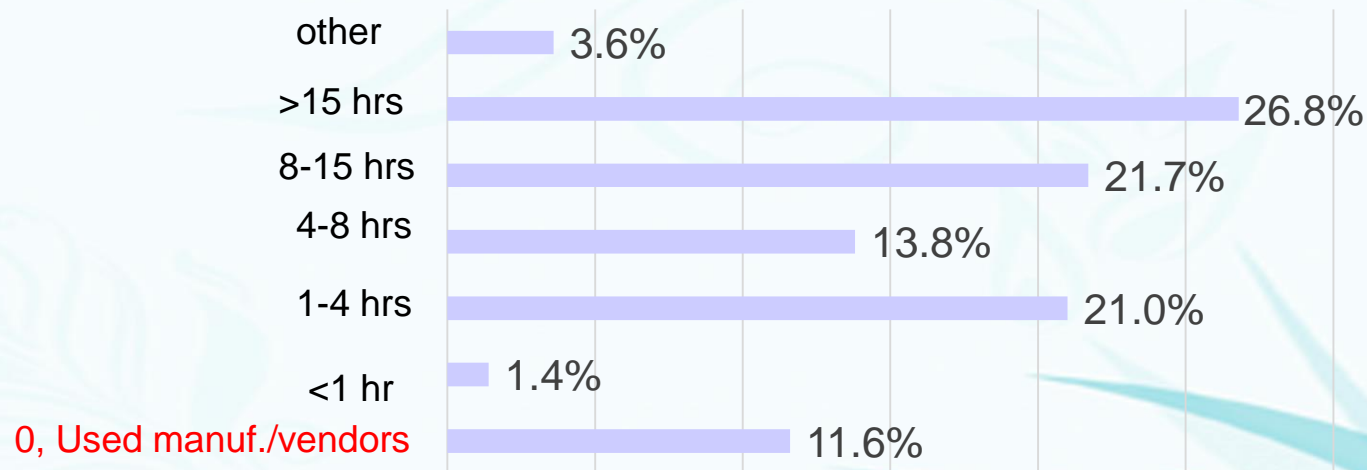
2016 IQCP User Survey Findings



Type of U.S. Labs Responding to Survey (N=145)



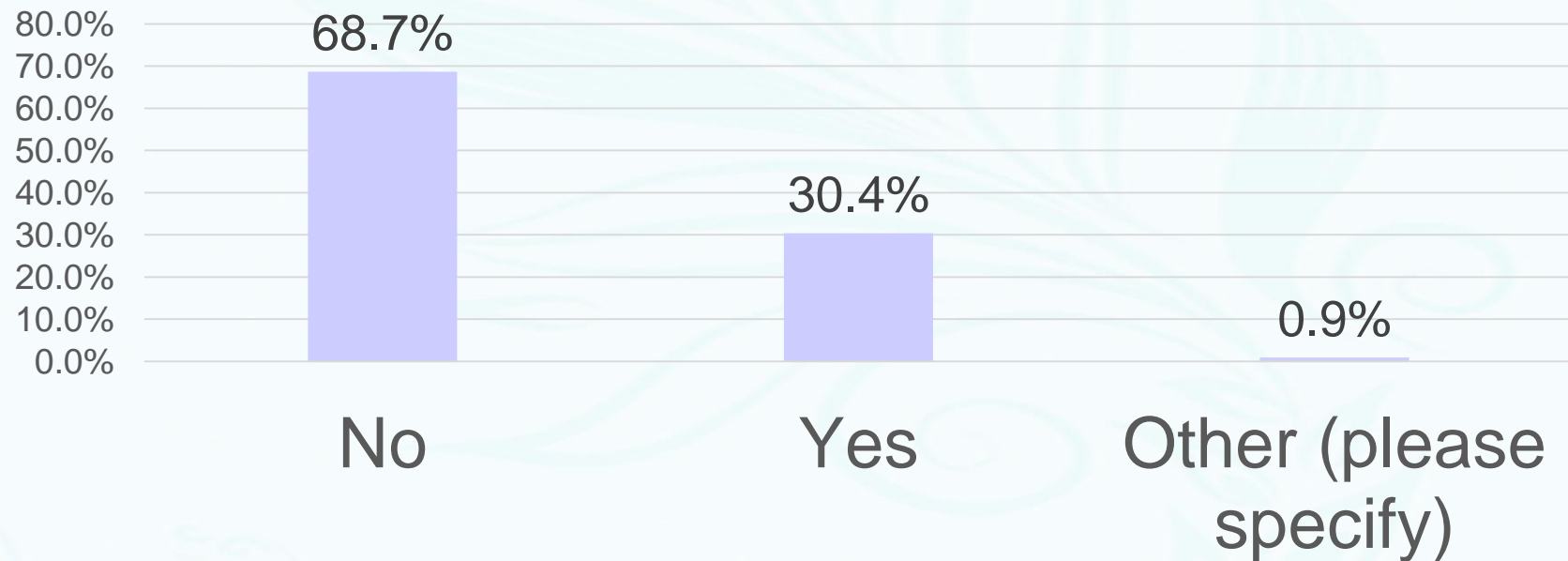
Time to generate (1) IQCP (N = 138)



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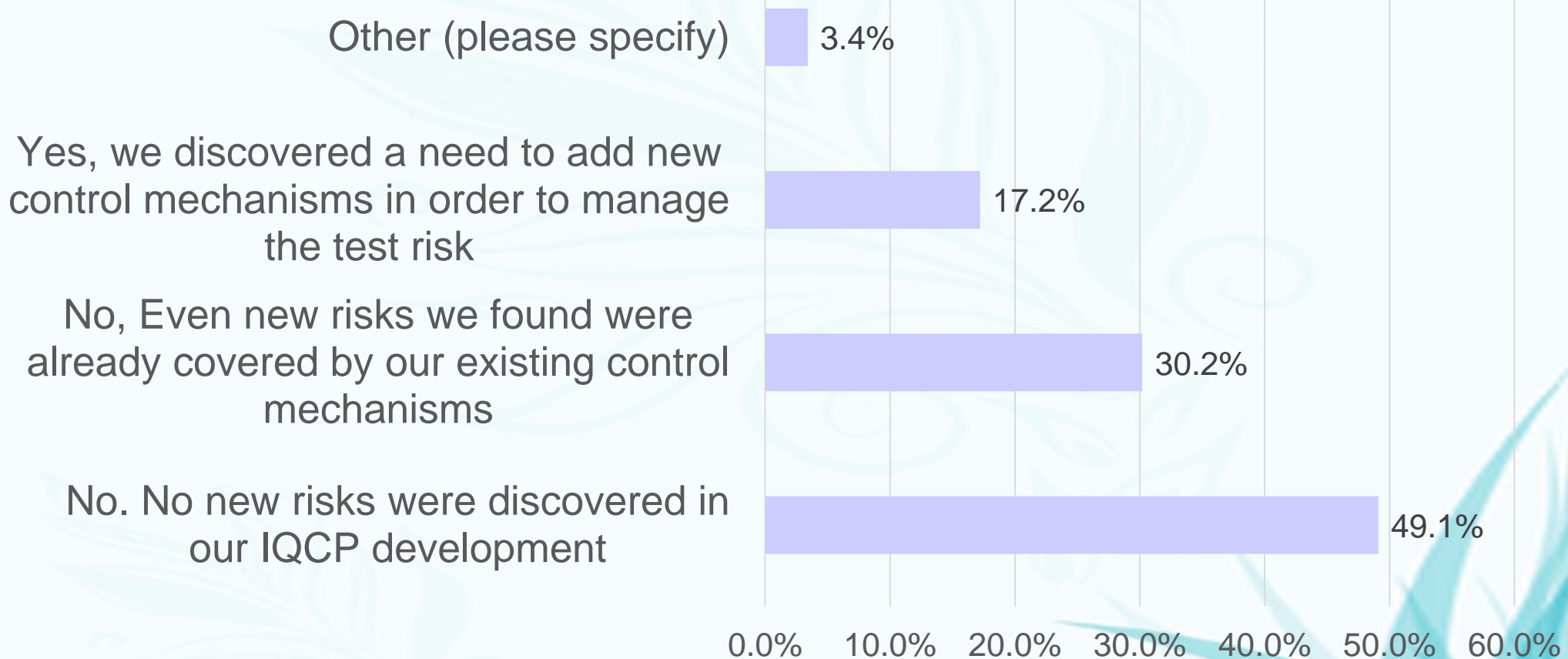


Did the IQCP uncover any risks that were considered unacceptable to the laboratory?
(N=115)





Did the IQCP process require adding new control mechanisms to address risks (N=116)



For the tests where an IQCP was developed, how often is QC being run? (N=115)





Build A IQCP

Non-Waived

Have EQC

CLIA Requirement 3 times a day

Manufacture (with Each new lot number)