

FDA's Study Data Policy Framework and Recent Activities

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Current Contributions:

- Internal policy development and study data governance
- Chair, FDA Study Data Technical Conformance Guide (sdTCG)
- Chair, FDA Data Standards Catalog
- Chair, FDA Business Rules
- eData responses
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These topics discussed here are to help Industry prepare study data for submission to Regulators and can not be generalized to topics specific to Inspections.



FDA Study Data Policy Framework Overview

Providing Regulatory Submissions in
Electronic Format — Submissions Under
Section 745A(a) of the Federal Food,
Drug, and Cosmetic Act

Guidance for Industry

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER)
Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (CBER)

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FDA's Study Data Policy Framework



Binding Guidance (sitting under 745A(a))

- eStudy Data
- Real World Data
- eCTD

Incorporated by reference into Binding Guidance

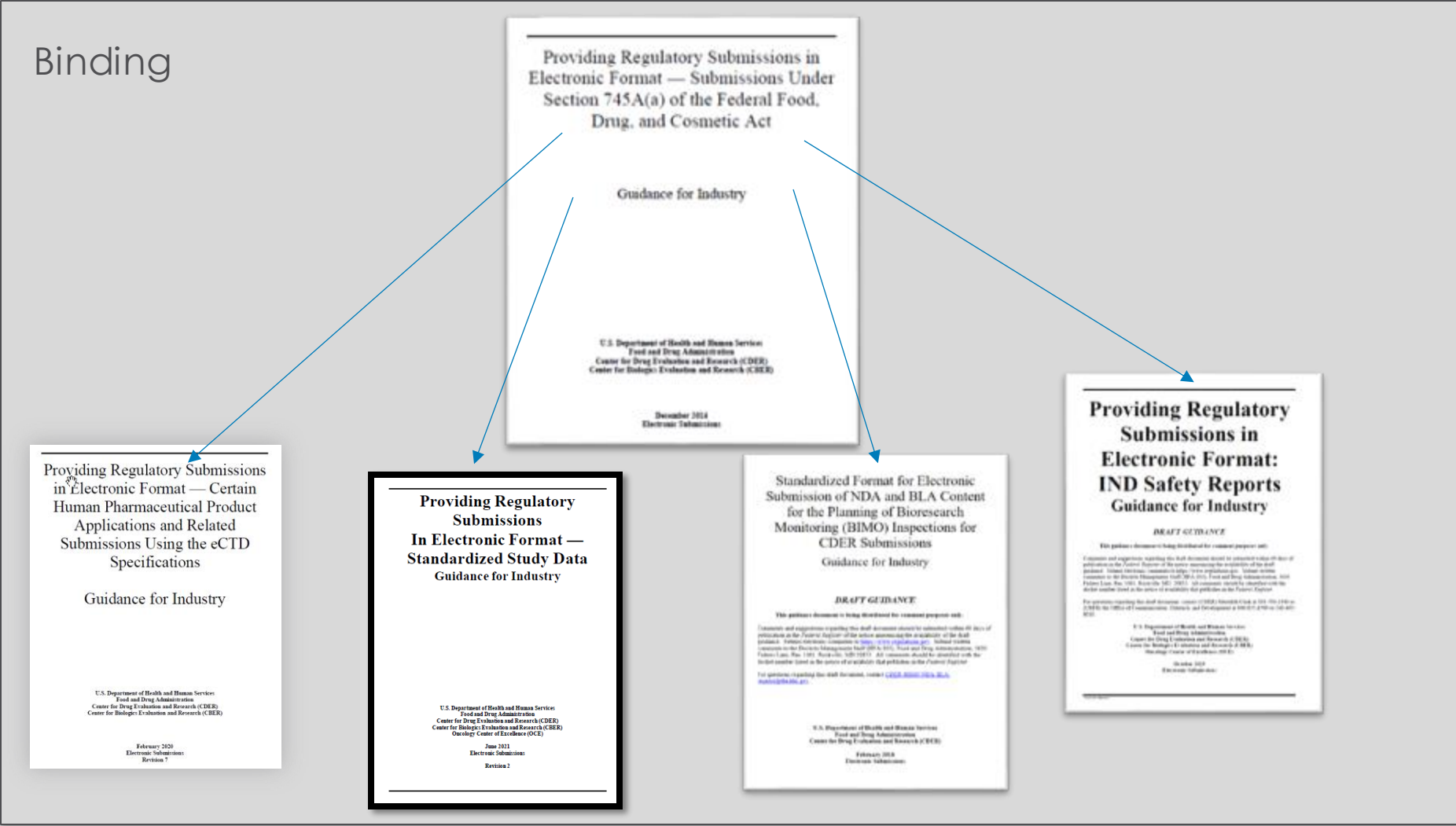
- Technical Conformance Guides (TCGs)
- FDA Data Standards Catalog (Catalog)
- Certain Technical Specifications (Tech Specs)

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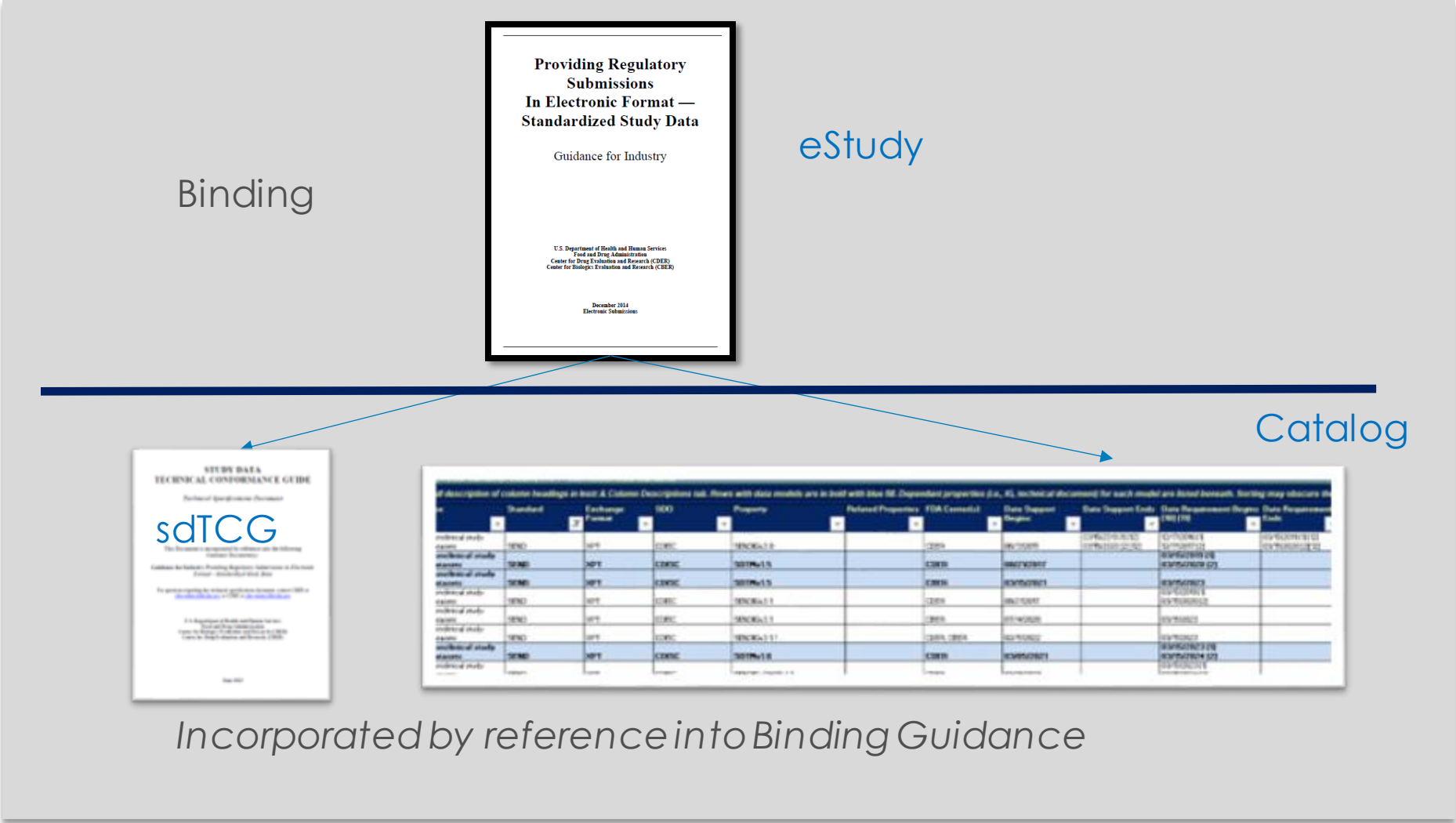
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How FDA communicates technical requirements for submitting study data

Binding



Focus on study data





FDA Data Standards Catalog (Catalog) Updates

FDA Data Standards Catalog Recent Updates



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The FDA Data Standards Catalog Structure



The contents of the Catalog are housed in a spreadsheet with multiple tabs:

- Instructions
- Column Descriptions
- Submission Data Standards
- Submission Data Terminologies
- Abbreviations
- Change History

New with Catalog version 10.0



The 'Submission Data Standards' tab has been updated to clarify and differentiate the support and requirements for data models and separate technical documents (i.e., Implementation Guides (IGs)).

Catalog version 9.1, Submissions Data Standards tab



FDA Data Standards Catalog v9.1 (04/19/2023) - Submission Data Standards									
For full description of column headings, see Instr. & Column Descriptions tab									
Data Standard	Exchange Format	Standards Development Organization (SDO)	Version(s)	Designated Implementation Guide Version(s)	FDA Center(s)	Date Support Begins (MM/DD/YYYY)	Date Support Ends (MM/DD/YYYY)	Date Requirement Begins (MM/DD/YYYY) [10] [11]	Date Requirement Ends (MM/DD/YYYY)
ADsM	XPT	CDISC	ADsM v 2.1	1	CDER, CBER	Ongoing	03/15/2019 [1] 03/15/2020 [2] [12]	12/17/2016 [1] 12/17/2017 [2]	03/15/2019 [1] 03/15/2020 [2] [12]

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of column headings in Instr. & Column Descriptions tab. Rows with data models are in bold with blue fill. Dependant properties (i.e., IG, technical document) for each model are listed below.

Standard	Exchange Format	SDO	Property	Related Properties	FDA Center(s)	Date Support Begins	Date Support Ends	Date Requirement Begins [10] [11]	Date Requirement Ends
ADaM	XPT	CDISC	ADaMv2.1		CDER, CBER	Ongoing		12/17/2016 [1] 12/17/2017 [2]	
ADaM	XPT	CDISC	ADaMIGv1.0		CDER, CBER	Ongoing	03/15/2019 [1] [12] 03/15/2020 [2] [12]	12/17/2016 [1] 12/17/2017 [2]	03/15/2019 [1] [12] 03/15/2020 [2] [12]
ADaM	XPT	CDISC	ADaMIGv1.1		CDER, CBER	10/2/2017		03/15/2019 [1] 03/15/2020 [2]	
ADaM	XPT	CDISC	ADaMIGv1.2 ADaMIGv1.3		CDER, CBER	07/18/2022		03/15/2024	

For NDAs, ANDAs, and certain BLAs, see section II.A of the [Providing Regulatory Submissions In Electronic Format — Standardized Study Data](#) guidance document.

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Property	Related Properties	FDA Center(s)	Date Support Begins	Date Support Ends	Date Requirement Begins [10] [11]	Date Requirement Ends
ADaMv2.1		CDER, CBER	Ongoing		12/17/2016 [1] 12/17/2017 [2]	
ADaMIGv1.0		CDER, CBER	Ongoing	03/15/2019 [1] [12] 03/15/2020 [2] [12]	12/17/2016 [1] 12/17/2017 [2]	03/15/2019 [1] [12] 03/15/2020 [2] [12]
ADaMIGv1.1		CDER, CBER	10/2/2017		03/15/2019 [1] 03/15/2020 [2]	
ADaMIGv1.2						
ADaMIGv1.3		CDER, CBER	07/18/2022		03/15/2024	
SDTMv1.1		CDER, CBER	Ongoing	01/28/2015 [12]		
SDTMIGv3.1.1		CDER, CBER	Ongoing	01/28/2015 [12]		
SDTMv1.2		CDER, CBER	10/30/2009	03/15/2019 [1] [12] 03/15/2020 [2] [12]	12/17/2016 [1] 12/17/2017 [2]	03/15/2019 [1] [12] 03/15/2020 [2] [12]
SDTMIGv3.1.2		CDER, CBER	10/30/2009	03/15/2019 [1] [12] 03/15/2020 [2] [12]	12/17/2016 [1] 12/17/2017 [2]	03/15/2019 [1] [12] 03/15/2020 [2] [12]
SDTMIG Version 3.1.2 Amendment 1		CDER, CBER	08/07/2013	03/15/2019 [1] [12] 03/15/2020 [2] [12]	12/17/2016 [1] 12/17/2017 [2]	03/15/2019 [1] [12] 03/15/2020 [2] [12]
SENDIGv3.0		CDER	06/13/2011	03/15/2019 [1] [12] 03/15/2020 [2] [12]	12/17/2016 [1] 12/17/2017 [2]	03/15/2019 [1] [12] 03/15/2020 [2] [12]
SDTMv1.3		CDER, CBER	12/01/2012	03/15/2021 [12]	12/17/2016 [1] 12/17/2017 [2]	03/15/2021 [12]
SDTMIGv3.1.3		CDER, CBER	12/01/2012	03/15/2021 [12]	12/17/2016 [1] 12/17/2017 [2]	03/15/2021 [12]
SDTMv1.4		CDER, CBER	08/17/2015		03/15/2018 [1] 03/15/2019 [2]	
SDTMIGv3.2		CDER, CBER	08/17/2015		03/15/2018 [1] 03/15/2019 [2]	
SDTMv1.5		CDER	08/21/2017		03/15/2019 [1] 03/15/2020 [2]	
SDTMv1.5		CBER	03/15/2021		03/15/2023	
SENDIGv3.1		CDER	08/21/2017		03/15/2019 [1] 03/15/2020 [2]	
SENDIGv3.1		CBER	07/14/2020		03/15/2023	
SENDIGv3.1.1		CDER, CBER	02/15/2022		03/15/2023	
SDTMv1.6		CDER	03/05/2021		03/15/2023 [1] 03/15/2024 [2]	
SENDIG-DARTv1.1		CDER	03/05/2021		03/15/2023 [1] 03/15/2024 [2]	
SDTMv1.7		CDER, CBER	07/07/2020		03/15/2023	
SDTMIGv3.3		CDER, CBER	07/07/2020		03/15/2023	
SDTMv1.8		CDER	03/15/2020		03/15/2022 [1] 03/15/2023 [2]	
SENDIG-ARv1.0		CDER	03/11/2020		03/15/2022 [1] 03/15/2023 [2]	



Study Data Technical Conformance Guide (sdTCG) Updates

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Revision History

Date	Version	Summary of Revisions
October 2023	5.5	<p>Footnotes – Added links to the FDA Data Standards Catalog and SAS Help Center</p> <p>Section 3.3.2 (Dataset Size) – Updated for clarity</p> <p>Section 3.3.3 (Dataset Column Length) – Updated for clarity</p> <p>Section 4.1.1.3 (SDTM Domain Specifications) – Added PC Domain (Pharmacokinetic Concentration) and PP Domain (Pharmacokinetic Parameters)</p> <p>Section 4.1.1.3 (SDTM Domain Specifications) – Added SV Domain (Subject Visits)</p> <p>Section 4.1.3.2 (General Considerations) – Updated for clarity</p> <p>Section 4.1.3.3 (SEND Domain Specifications) – PC Domain (Pharmacokinetic Concentration) updated for clarity</p> <p>Section 4.1.3.3 (SEND Domain Specifications) – Updated Custom Domains to include SENDIG v3.1.1</p> <p>Section 4.1.3.4.1 (Scope of SEND for SENDIGs v3.0, v3.1 and v3.1.1) – Updated to include mentions of SENDIG v3.1.1</p> <p>Section 4.1.3.4.1 (Scope of SEND for SENDIGs v3.0, v3.1 and v3.1.1) – Section C updated for clarity.</p> <p>Section 4.1.3.4.3 (Scope of SEND for SENDIG-DART v1.1 for CDER) – Sections H, I, J, and K, updated for clarity</p> <p>Section 4.1.4.1 (Variables in SDTM and SEND: CDISC Required, Expected, and Permissible) – Updated to address baselines</p> <p>Section 4.1.4.7.1 (SEND Requirements During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency) – Language added to address the end of the 180-day wind-down period for the modification to the SEND requirement</p> <p>Section 6.1.3 (Maintenance of Controlled Terminologies) – Updated for clarity</p> <p>Section 6.5.1.1 (General Considerations) – Language added to reflect CDER preferences</p> <p>Appendix C – Added the following TSPARMCDs: PPTCNAM, PPTEGID, PPTEGSYM, PPTMDA</p> <p>Appendix D – Updated list of SDO properties that align or do not align with current CBER and CDER business needs</p> <p>Appendix G – Updated for clarity</p> <p>Appendix H – Language added to address the end of the 180-day wind-down period for the modification to the SEND requirement</p> <p>Glossary – Addition of PHE and SDO</p>

Questions

1. When will SDTMIGv3.4 go on the FDA Data Standards Catalog?
 - The Agency always announces support and initiates requirements through a Federal Register Notice (FRN) and cannot share this information prior

Questions

2. How often does FDA update the sdTCG?
 - *At a minimum, Every March and October*

Questions

3. How long does it take the FDA to evaluate a CDISC property?
 - *It depends on the size and complexity of the CDISC property. It can often take as long to evaluate as it did to develop.*