

## **INTRO**

Since the passage of the 21st Century Cures Act (aka Cures Act) in 2016, the FDA has been releasing new protocols and programs to expedite the approval process for new medical drugs and devices.

The Real-world Evidence (RWE) program allows for the use of data collected outside of clinical trials to be incorporated into research submitted for FDA approval.

The use of RWE can be beneficial throughout the entire research and development process of new drugs and devices, provided it appear as though it was generated through a randomized clinical trial.

# **ABOUT**

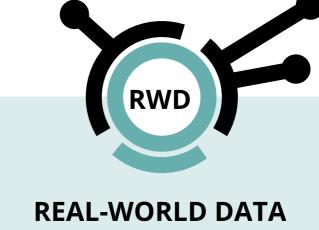


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## **REAL-WORLD EVIDENCE**

Clinical evidence that is extrapolated from real-world data



Data routinely collected regarding patients' health status and delivery of healthcare

## **IMPACT OF RWE ACROSS FDA APPROVAL PROCESS PHASES**

# **Pre-clinical** Phase

- Drug development
- Animal toxicity trials
- Pharmacokinetic research
- Can take 3-7 years

**RWE BENEFITS** 



- Provide information on burden of diseases
  - Indicate need for medical interventions
  - Influence drug development efforts





Phase

## **RWE BENEFITS**





- First trials in human subjects
- Small study population (20-80) of healthy participants
- Emphasis on safety of drug or device Can take 1-2 years

### **Identify characteristics of patient** population

**Provide evidence of patient** 

pathway from disease diagnosis through treatment Aid clinical study design

### The distinction between RWD and RWE is technical but important to understand nonetheless. you can also read our new E-Book on RWE, and check out our blog.

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**RWE PROGRAM** 

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# Phase 2 Medium-sized studies

participants Evaluates effectiveness of treatment in persons with

with hundreds of

- disease or condition Safety and short-term side effects measured
- Can take 1-2 years

### Provide evidence of feasibility of clinical treatment

**RWE BENEFITS** 





- **Generate hypotheses for future** clinical studies
- Aid clinical study design for larger-scale studies in phase 3

# Phase 5 Large-scale controlled trials with thousands of

participants

- Evaluate effects in different populations and with different dosages Evaluates safety, especially
- Can take 1-2 years

when used with other drugs

# treatment or intervention Provide evidence on pharmacology,

**RWE BENEFITS** 





toxicology, and safety Inform about unmet need and standard of care

real-world implementation of

# **Post-market**

- Post-market research Safety and efficacy

Can take 1-2 years or





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# Provide up-to-date information on

method

**RWE BENEFITS** 



**Demonstrate real-world uses of** intervention

continued value of intervention

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### What is the Big Deal with the FDA's new **RWE Program?**

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