Use Cases for Life Sciences: Clinical Operations

How can you harmonize clinical operations across multiple geographies and systems?

APPIAN CUSTOMER
• Large multi-national pharmaceutical company.
• >100,000 employees.
• Footprint across >100 countries.

CHALLENGES
• Largely paper-based processes.
• Lack of visibility due to many legacy clinical trial management systems operating in silos.
• Global risk of missing strict filing deadlines across many local, country-based regulations.

GOALS
• Converge all clinical operations from across multiple geographies and systems.
• Take advantage of a single platform.
• Accelerate time to submission. Accelerate time to market.

Sample Clinical Operations Apps

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BUSINESS CASE
• Egregious examples of impropriety at some study sites create significant regulatory (FDA) risk.

APPROACH
• Automate key components of the clinical trial start up process.
• Increase transparency to ensure compliance.

RESULTS
• Reduced start-up cycle times by 60%.
• Reduced cycle time (end to end) by 32%.
• Increased regulatory compliance to >99%.

Clinical Study Start Up

BUSINESS CASE
• Address the many inefficiencies of Study Start-Up (SSU).
• Achieve complete visibility for better oversight and faster action.
• Access up-to-date analytics to identify trends and more proactively address them.

APPROACH
• Leverage process automation to minimize manual activities, eliminate duplicate entries, and reduce risk of errors.
• Automate import of study information from across multiple sources.
• Automate SSU task management to eliminate gaps from manual work processes.
• Standardize processes globally while allowing for local variations.
• Unify all data with Appian Records so a complete and current view of SSU elements is always accessible.

RESULTS
• Study Start-Up time reduced from a high of 6 months to a low of 2 weeks.
• Study times previously took 2-6 months; now they take 2-8 weeks.

Global CRO Contracts Management

BUSINESS CASE
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• Keep internal groups and external vendors up to date with current information.
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