



Guiding the Evolution to Clinical Data Scientist Innovation, Certification and Learning Continuity

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SCDM Vision 2030

Leading innovative clinical data to advance global health research and development.



Together as clinical data professionals, we are shaping Vision 2030 through



future ready education, partnerships of value across the clinical data ecosystem, and the global influence that empowers our community to lead the evolution of clinical data.

In practice *turning* Capability into **Impact**

SCDM Certification

Expanded CDS certification & future-fit courses

Building on the beta exam and mapped to Vision 2030.

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Next-generation competency updates

Aligned with digital-first workflows and CDS expectations.
AI-supported learning pathways inside elev8

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SCDM Live

Global reach & aligned partnerships

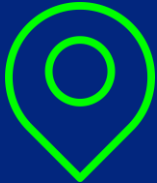
SCDM Live expands globally, with collaboration across MRCT, regulators, universities, CDISC, and cross-functional teams including statisticians, clinicians, and clinical operations, ensuring scalable and sustainable adoption.

SCDM Community

Equipping our community of clinical data professionals to shape Vision 2030

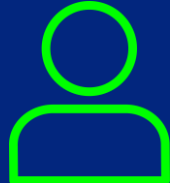
Through future-ready education, partnerships of value, and global influence

Navigation change in Clinical Data



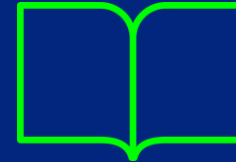
Where we are

The clinical data profession is at a clear point of transition.



What matters

Success increasingly depends on the right mix of skills, mindset, and credibility.



What's next

Continuous learning enables confident, informed progress through change.

Who you'll hear from today



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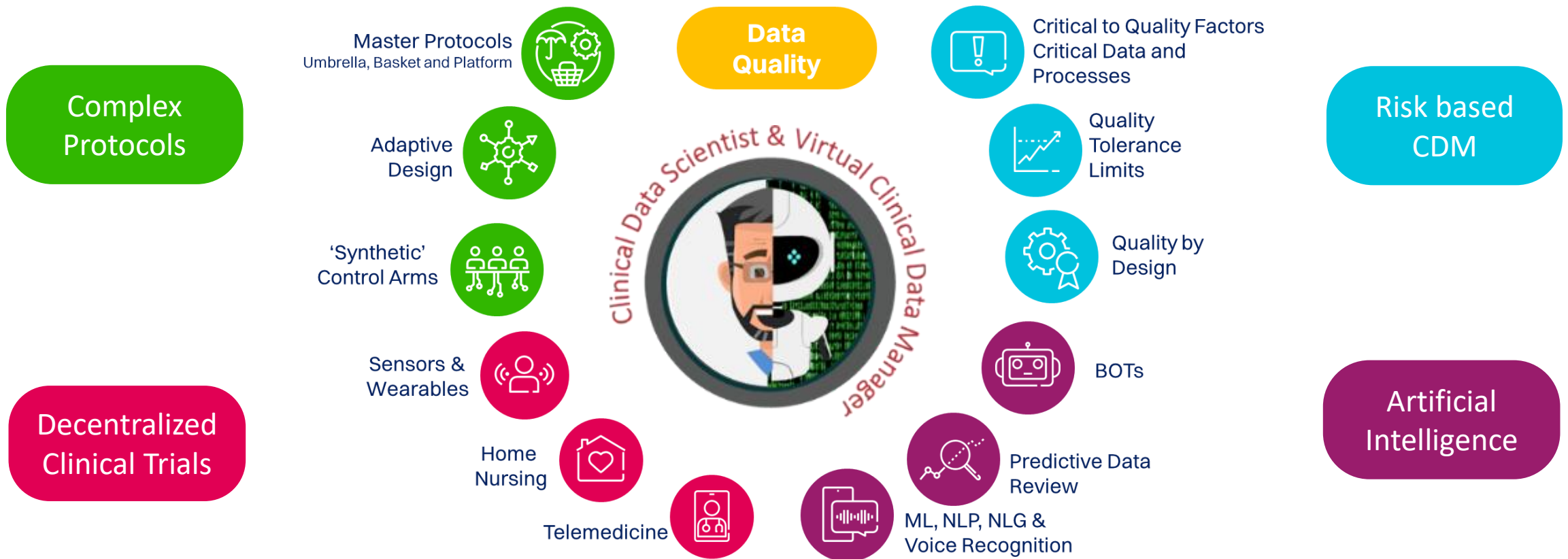
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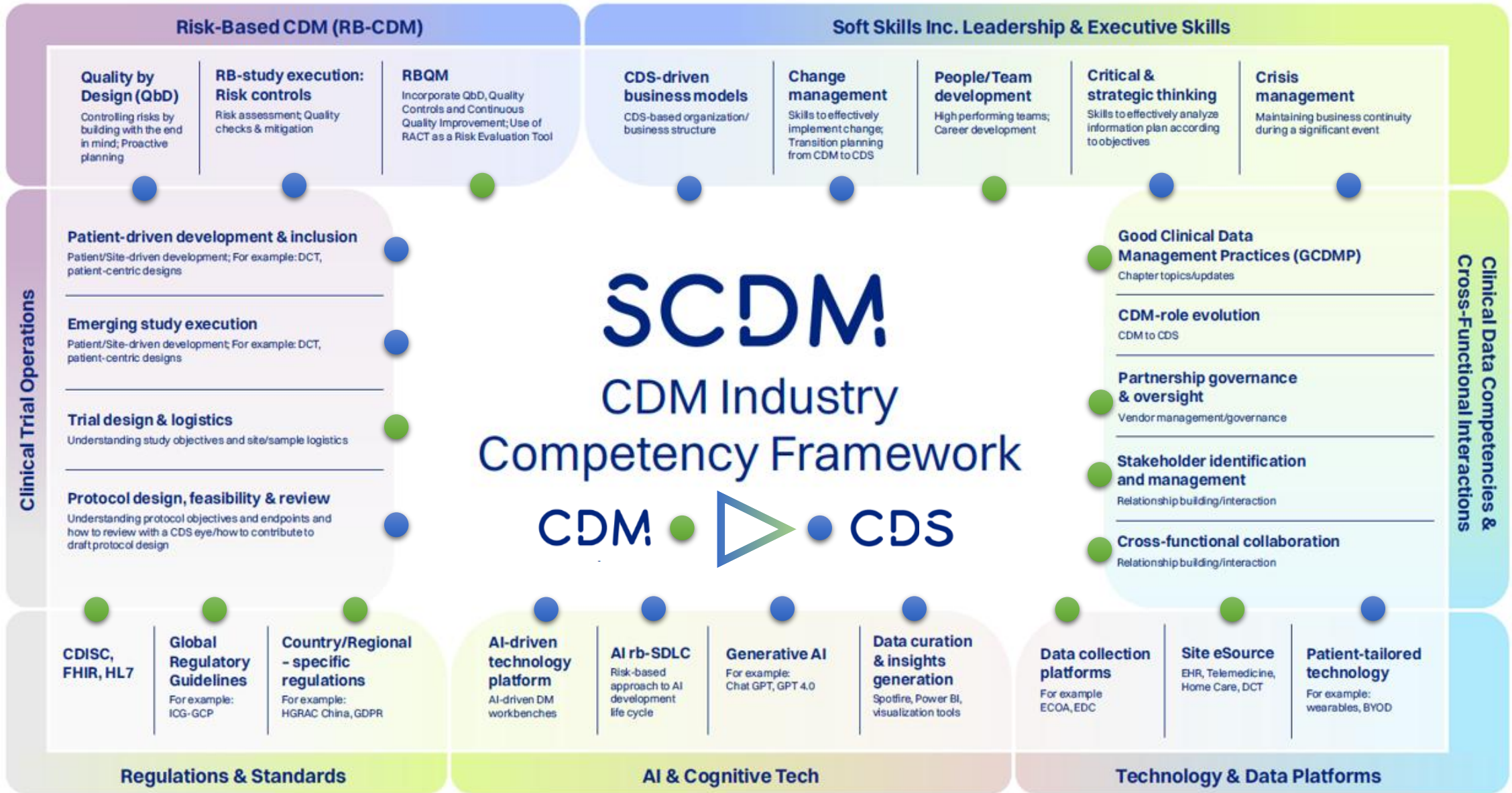
Our CDS Journey



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Why is Certification need?

Benefits of SCDM Certification



- **Validates expertise-** Provides an objective to validate professional knowledge and skills
- **Ensures Data Quality-** Certified Professionals are better equipped to implement best industry practices
- **Enhances professional credibility and career advancement** opportunities
- Demonstrates commitment to **continuous professional development**
- **Sets a Global Standards-** helps establish consistent, global benchmark for excellence and professional discipline



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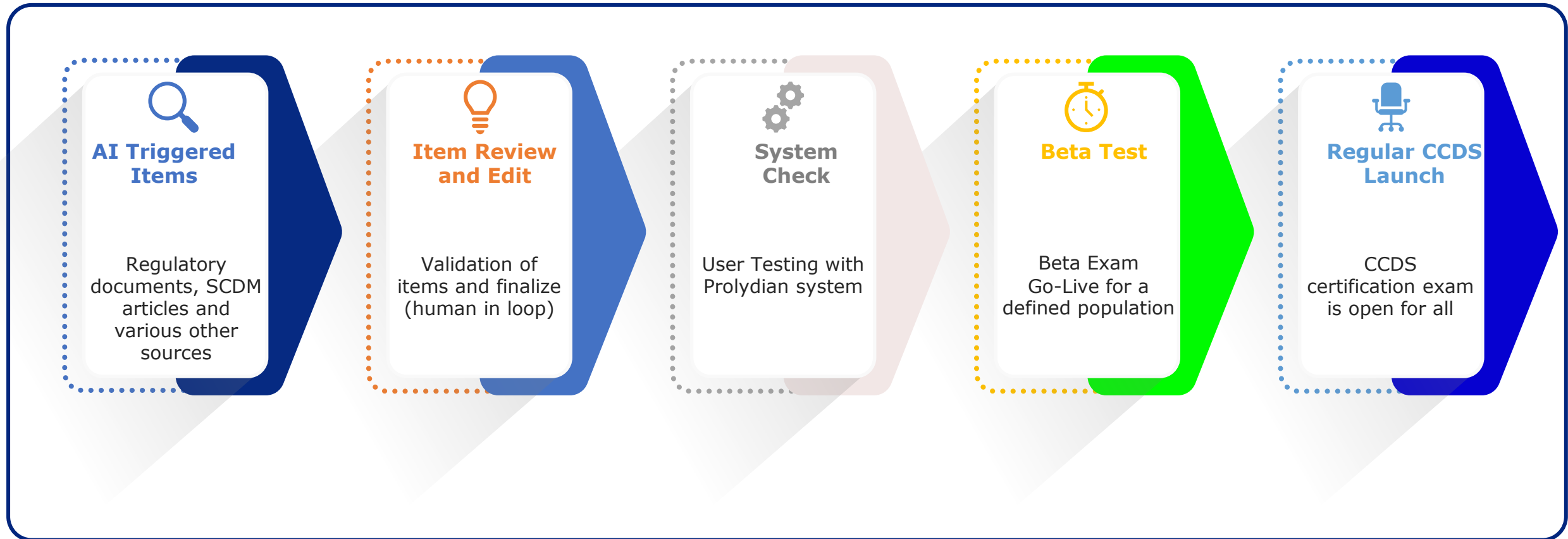
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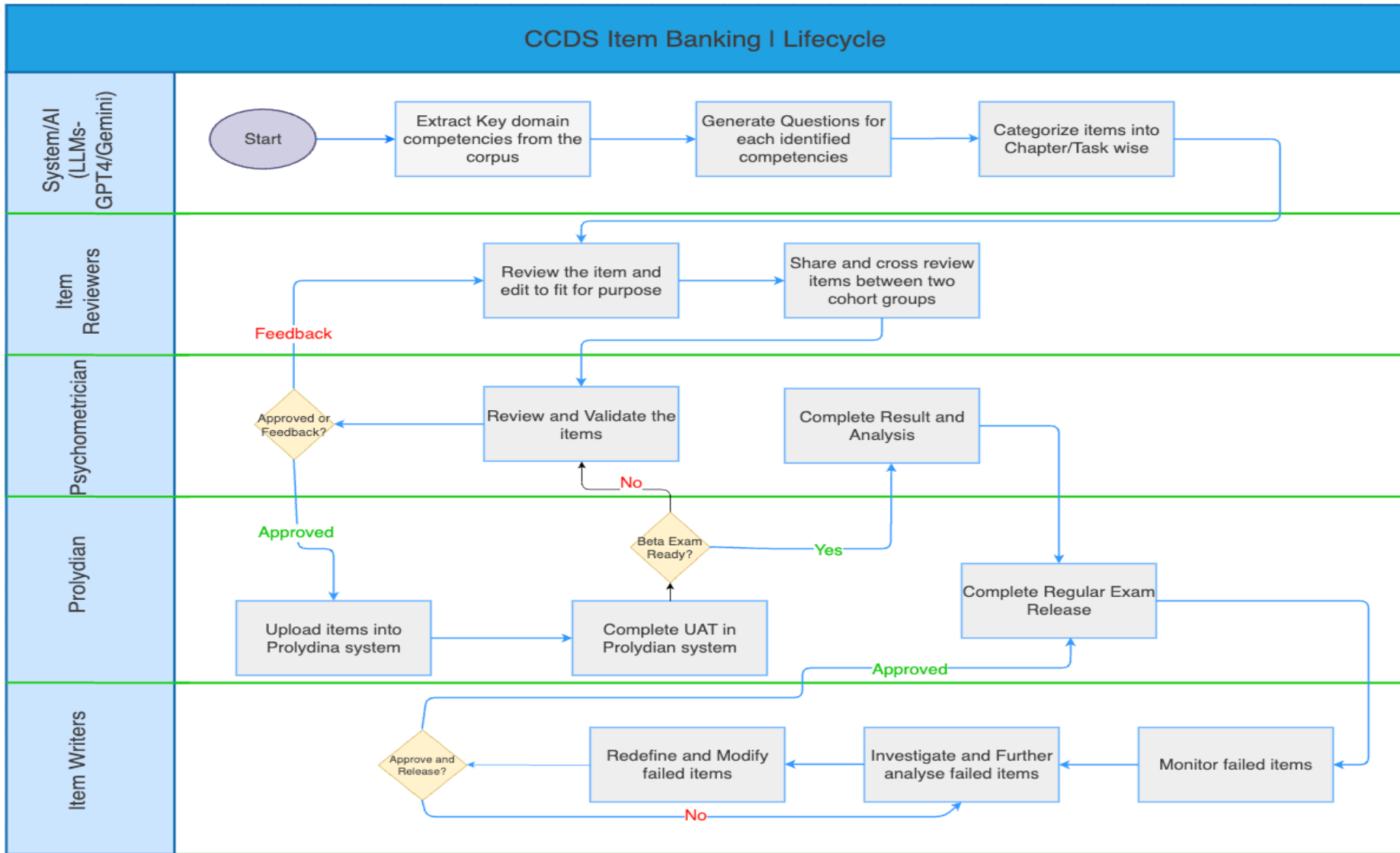
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Risk-Based CDM
Clinical Trial Operations
Regulations & Standards
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Soft Skills

CCDS exam competencies are re-validated periodically in a job analysis called the SCDM Task Analysis Survey.

High Level Plan





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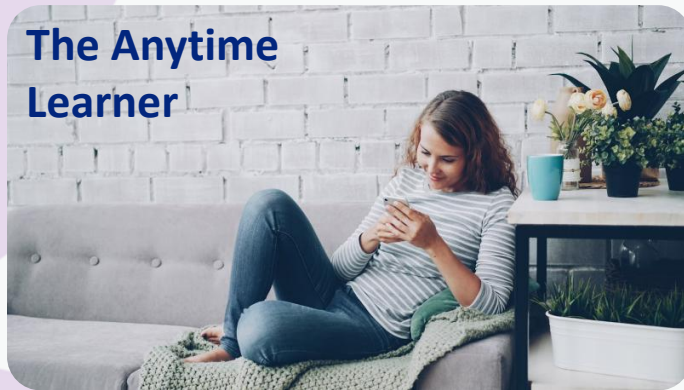
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