Medical Affairs Transformation—Balancing Focus and Flexibility

A company's portfolio of products, shifts in the medical landscape, and company culture are all drivers impacting how Medical Affairs should evolve – focused yet flexible.

	Traditional	Emerging	Leading Medical Affairs	s Teams	PwC Tech-Enabled Service, Product, Capability
External Engagement	Reactive, limited set of stakeholders Scientific exchange defined by publications and related content Medical information function a cost of doing business vs, adding value Late and limited impact on product launches	Medical engagement includes a broad set of stakeholders beyond the KOL/KEE Strategic, proactive engagement across the product life cycle "Real world" content as a key component of scientific exchange Digital engagement platforms designed for all Medical Affairs functions	Ongoing Review Vision and mission reset	Redefining the Medical Affairs customer Creating new rules, content, and tools for medical engagement	Medical Affairs engagement roadmaps Bodylogical, a PwC product Virtual scientific exchange platforms Medical Affairs leadership academy Medical Affairs risk assessment
Internal Engagement	Operationally inefficient Siloed both functionally and geographically Limited, strategic type collaborations	Organizational designs to foster collaboration and efficiency Medical Affairs activities driven by broader company strategies Emphasis on medical/compliance partnerships	Strategy and structure	Strong compliance partnerships Establishing disciplined and integrated planning processes	Integrated Operations & Business Planning (IOBP) Medical Affairs strategic planning models Interactions Hub, a PwC product Managed Services - medical content review
RWD/E Leadership	Medical Affairs in a consultative, supportive role	 Medical Affairs defining strategy, leading large initiatives, stronger regulatory collaboration New evidence sources being identified and partnerships established 	Compliance and risk assessment	Establishing RWD/E governance, frameworks, and partnerships	RWD/W governance & partnership models RWD/E operating models Managed Services - RWD/E
Digital and Analytics Enablement	Not a core capability for Medical Affairs	 Internal expertise deployed to Medical Affairs Bespoke Medical Affairs products and services CRM designed for Medical Affairs 	Ongoing Review	Designing and establishing digital and analytics partnerships	Medical Affairs digital roadmap Analytics and insights platforms ProEdge, a PwC product



As Medical Affairs moves forward it should not be influenced by a stagnant framework, targeting a specific year in the future, or attempting to do everything in the short term.