

## DIGITAL HEALTH MILESTONES FRAMEWORK

Innovation Maturity Level	Name	Overall Description	Innovation Maturity Level Milestones				
			Clinical	Market/Business	Regulatory	Technology	
1	Need	Insights into unmet clinical needs and available solutions	☐ Unmet need statement ☐ Disease state characterization	<ul><li>□ Needs screening &amp; selection</li><li>□ Existing solutions characterization</li></ul>	☐ Regulatory familiarization	☐ State-of-the-Art summary	
2	ldea	Potential solution to unmet need described, evaluated and selected	<ul> <li>Workflow scenario</li> <li>Updated need statement</li> <li>Envisioned benefit statement</li> <li>Feedback from 5+ clinical stakeholders</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Competitive landscape</li> <li>□ Envisioned Value Proposition</li> <li>□ Key stakeholders identified</li> <li>□ Reimbursement familiarization</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Medical device determination (MDR in EU)</li><li>Comparable identified</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Idea screening and selection</li> <li>System and module requirement specification</li> <li>Interface mock-ups</li> <li>Institutional IP disclosure</li> </ul>	
3	Proof of Concept (PoC)	Key component concepts validated in models and value proposition tested	<ul> <li>Feedback from clinical stakeholders in 5+ settings</li> <li>Updated need statement and workflow scenario</li> <li>Target outcomes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Competing solutions characterization</li> <li>Preliminary value proposition</li> <li>Path-to-Payment plan</li> <li>Stakeholder map</li> <li>Business protection model</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Preliminary regulatory classification</li> <li>Preliminary regulatory pathway</li> <li>Preliminary intended /indications for use</li> <li>Preliminary risk and hazard analysis</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Preliminary system and software architecture</li> <li>Key module PoC prototypes</li> <li>Demonstration results</li> <li>Updated institutional IP disclosure</li> <li>Key in-sourcing requirements</li> </ul>	
4	Proof of Feasibility (PoF)	Feasibility of whole solution demonstrated in models and in feedback from stakeholders	<ul> <li>□ Feedback on users in 20+ settings</li> <li>□ Updated need statement and Use Case scenario/workflow</li> <li>□ Updated target outcomes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Feedback from 5+ economic buyers</li> <li>□ Preliminary business model</li> <li>□ Development plan</li> <li>□ Key relationships identified</li> <li>□ Business advisory board</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Draft essential requirements checklist</li> <li>□ Draft product claims</li> <li>□ Draft instructions for use</li> <li>□ Institutional approval request(s)</li> <li>□ Cyber security plan</li> <li>□ Submission pathway defined</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Product Requirement Document (PRD)</li> <li>□ Software and hardware architecture</li> <li>□ "Works Like" prototype</li> <li>□ Essential experiment results</li> <li>□ Provisional IP filing &amp; initial FTO review</li> <li>□ Key in-sourcing plans</li> <li>□ Risk mitigation and interoperability plan</li> </ul>	
5		The potential of the solution to work and create value for all		<ul><li>□ Key management team committed</li><li>□ Investor ready business plan</li></ul>	☐ Essential requirements checklist	<ul><li>"Works Like, Looks Like, prototypes</li><li>Essential technical experiments results</li></ul>	



	(PoV)	stakeholders is demonstrated	<ul><li>□ Medical advisory board</li><li>□ Clinical pilot</li><li>□ Clinical trial endpoints</li></ul>	<ul> <li>□ Feedback from 20+ economic buyers</li> <li>□ Initial Seed Investment</li> <li>□ Key relationships formalized</li> <li>□ Incorporation &amp; Founders agreement</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Application form to competent authority submitted</li> <li>Clinical Investigation approval(s)</li> <li>Protected Health Information (ePHI) plans</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Interoperability validation</li> <li>cGMP medical software and production environments (s)</li> <li>Key in-sourcing requirements committee</li> </ul>
6	Initial Clinical Trials (ICT)	Regulated production of prototypes and collection of clinical and economic data	<ul> <li>□ Endpoints achieved in Feasibility clinical trials</li> <li>□ Demo feedback from 25+ users</li> <li>□ Peer reviewed publication(s) submitted</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Value quantification</li> <li>□ Feedback from 25+ economic buyers</li> <li>□ 1st institutional investment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ GDPR/HIPAA compliance</li> <li>□ Security and vulnerability certifications</li> <li>□ Data requirements confirmation</li> <li>□ Pre-submission filed</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Updated specification &amp; experimental validation</li> <li>□ All in-sourcing licensing requirements achieved</li> <li>□ Full IP application</li> </ul>
7	Validation of Solution (VoS)	The solution is shown to be effective and its value to all stakeholders is validated	<ul> <li>Endpoints achieved in pivotal clinical trials</li> <li>Peer reviewed publication(s) accepted</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Purchasing intent from 10+ buyers</li><li>2nd round of institutional investment</li></ul>	Submission of Technical file to regulatory body	<ul> <li>Quality assured process validation (cGMP)</li> <li>Updated specification &amp; experimental validation</li> </ul>
8	Approval & Launch (A&L)	regulatory approval	<ul> <li>Training materials &amp; support established</li> <li>Specialty medical groups review in place</li> </ul>	☐ Initial sales/deployment☐ Regionalization plans☐	<ul><li>Registration and listing</li><li>CMS/Public Coverage and CPT/DRG code determination</li></ul>	☐ Finalized cGMP production environment☐ Regionalization requirements
9	Clinical Use (Use)	The solution is used successfully in day-to-day clinical practice	☐ Included in local practice guidelines☐ Peer reviewed publications	<ul><li>Profitable sales</li><li>New markets launched</li></ul>	☐ Monitoring/inspections	☐ Improvement plan ☐ Regionalization implemented
10	Standard of Care (SoC)	The solution is recognised as the standard of care	☐ Recommended practice by medical specialty	<ul><li>Dominant market share</li><li>Health economics study</li></ul>	☐ Product Obsolescence plan	☐ Component Obsolescence plan

For more information on the specific meaning of each of the milestones you can access: <a href="https://gaits.org/web/-digital-medicine/guidance">https://gaits.org/web/-digital-medicine/guidance</a>