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Technical Papers

Quality System Policy Framework

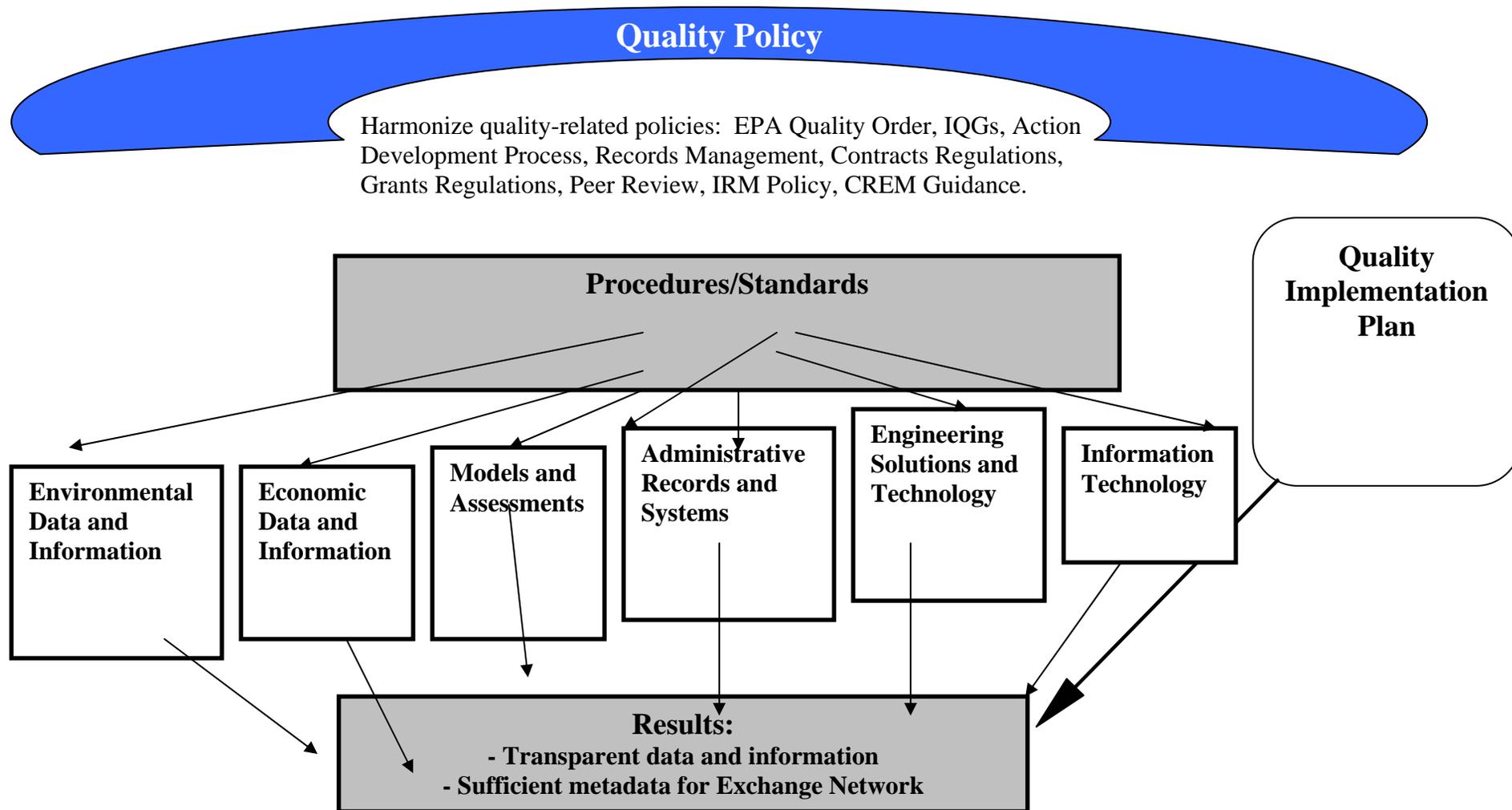
- R.Shafer, Status and Next Steps for EPA's QA Policy - 8:30 AM
- J.Worthington, K.Hull, E.Haddad, Guide to Integrating Management Systems - 9:00 AM

TECHNICAL SESSION: Quality System Policy Framework

Status and Next Steps for EPA's Quality Assurance Policy

Ronald Shafer, U.S. EPA

Discussion of the CIO's Policy Directive Process and the QIC SC workgroup effort to develop a draft quality policy that covers all Agency products and services. The remaining schedule and workgroup products for FY 2006 will also be presented.



A GUIDE TO INTEGRATING MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

Jeffrey Worthington, EPA/OEI/OPRO/PPDS

This session provides an overall process and approach to integrating and documenting integration of existing management systems for quality.

Presentation: You can get there from here!: How to assess current status and plan integration of existing management systems supporting the development and production of quality Agency products and services

Agency-wide quality planning is shifting to encourage full integration of science (e.g., peer review, environmental studies), administrative (e.g., OMB performance metrics, records management), information (e.g., CPIC, information security accreditation, software development lifecycle, and quality (e.g., quality system, IQG) processes. The authors provide: a review and summary of current management systems in the Agency; a methodology to conduct a gap analysis and identify reasonable integration opportunities; a process to work with management and staff to accomplish the integration; an approach to ensuring adequate documentation of integration; and methodology to assess success and benefits of the revised process.

Presenters: Jeffrey Worthington, USEPA OEI Director of Quality, Kevin Hull, Neptune & Company, and Elizabeth Haddad, EPA Quality Program Intern from The Washington Center.