Drive Innovation, Cut Complexity: Compass® MED Raises the Bar for Medical Device Development

Purpose-built for speed, quality, and audit-readiness in a regulated market.

LEXINGTON, MA, September 23, 2025 — Cognition® Corporation, a leader in SaaS-based product development solutions for life sciences, today announced the next-generation release of Compass MED, its dedicated solution for medical device design control and risk management. Engineered specifically for medical device manufacturers, contract design organizations, and software-driven device developers, Compass MED 2.1 introduces powerful new capabilities and enhancements that streamline development, strengthen compliance, and scale seamlessly across complex product portfolios.

“Our latest release of Compass MED raises the bar for connected, compliant product development,” said Gerald Wesel, Chairman and CEO, at Cognition Corporation. “The new capabilities were shaped with direct input from industry leaders to solve real-world challenges—especially around data reuse, system integration, and managing product variants across complex portfolios such as surgical robotics.”

Key Enhancements in Compass MED 2.1

Component Reuse Across Projects
Device teams can now architect complex systems leveraging validated component data from other projects. Risk, reliability, requirements, and test data are traceable across the portfolio, creating a single point of truth for reused elements.

Project Variant Differencing
Quickly compare and synchronize differences between derivative and source projects. Teams managing product families or regional variants can now ensure alignment across shared components while maintaining flexibility for localized innovation.

ReqIF-Compatible Import & Export
Compass MED 2.1 supports seamless data exchange with other ReqIF-compliant tools. Teams can import, export, and update requirements without compromising traceability, data quality, or compliance.

Reliability Workspaces

Bringing the existing workspace functionality and usability now extended to FMEA data allowing users to work in workspaces as well as in FMEA documents.

Item-Level Review and Approval for Requirements
Gain granular control over requirement-level approvals. Each individual requirement can be reviewed, discussed, and signed off independently while capturing traceable decision-making at the most actionable level.

Project Migration Tool
Upgrade legacy Compass projects to the latest Compass MED 2.1 version, while preserving the full data history. Unlock modern functionality while maintaining regulatory and design history continuity.

Modernized for the Realities of Today's Medical Device Industry

Compass MED 2.1 reinforces Cognition's commitment to delivering configurable, compliant, and user-centric solutions for regulated product development. By consolidating design, risk, test, and reliability processes into a single, traceable system, Compass MED empowers cross-functional teams to move faster, respond to regulatory changes with agility, and deliver safe, effective devices to market with confidence.

Compass MED 2.1 is available now. For a demo or more information, visit www.cognition.us or contact compassmed@cognition.us.

About Cognition Corporation®

Cognition Corporation specializes in product development and compliance solutions for the life sciences industries. Our solutions focus on enhancing efficiency, quality, and compliance throughout the development process.

For medical device companies, Cognition offers a design controls software platform, Compass MED, that helps meet regulations faster with real-time traceability, guided design controls, and change once, update everywhere functionality – turning manual and disconnected data into structured submissions that enable them to get to market faster.

Unlike other solutions that simply replicate traditional documents and spreadsheets, Cognition takes a structured data approach so you can easily build relevant connections between data items, automatically create complex trace matrices and data tables, and export formatted documents instantly – offering a more efficient and

integrated solution. We are shifting the data management landscape for life sciences product development from a static, document-based approach to a dynamic, information-driven approach helping to streamline and alleviate the administrative burden of product development documentation. Further information about Cognition Corporation can be found at www.cognition.us.

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