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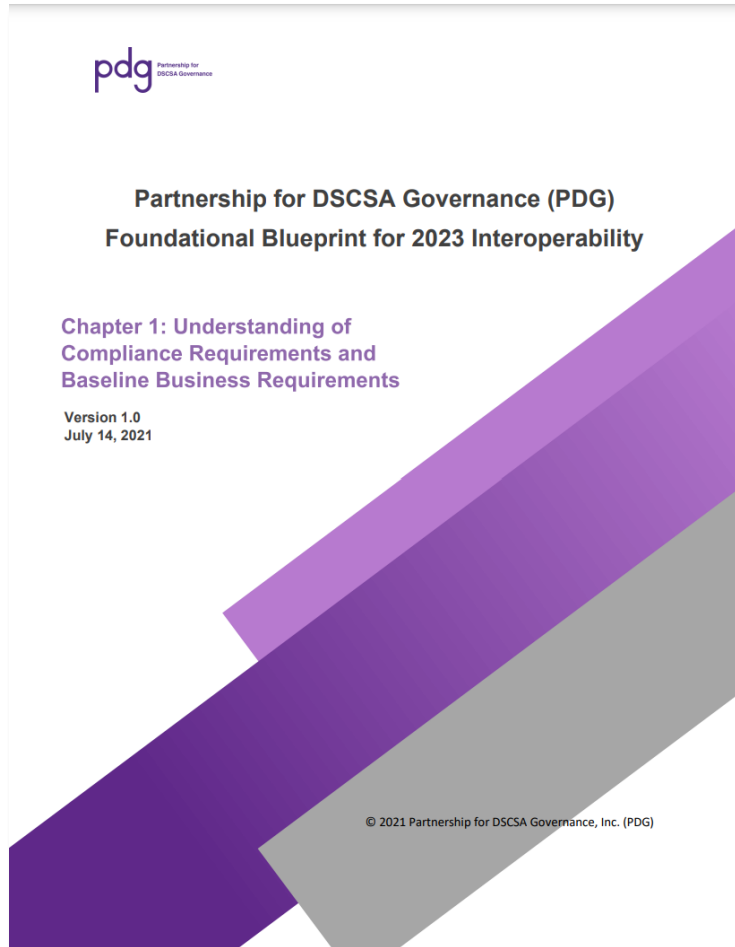
# Overview of PDG Blueprint

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# PDG Foundational Blueprint for 2023 Interoperability



- Chapter 1 formally approved; focus on compliance and business requirements and recommendations
- Chapters 2-6 coming soon; functional design requirements
- Not legally binding
- 2023 interoperability
- Continued feedback encouraged

# Serialized TI Exchange

“Prior to, or at the time of, each transaction” provide the subsequent owner with TH, TI, and TS

“Not accept ownership of a product” unless the previous owner provides TH, TI, and a TS

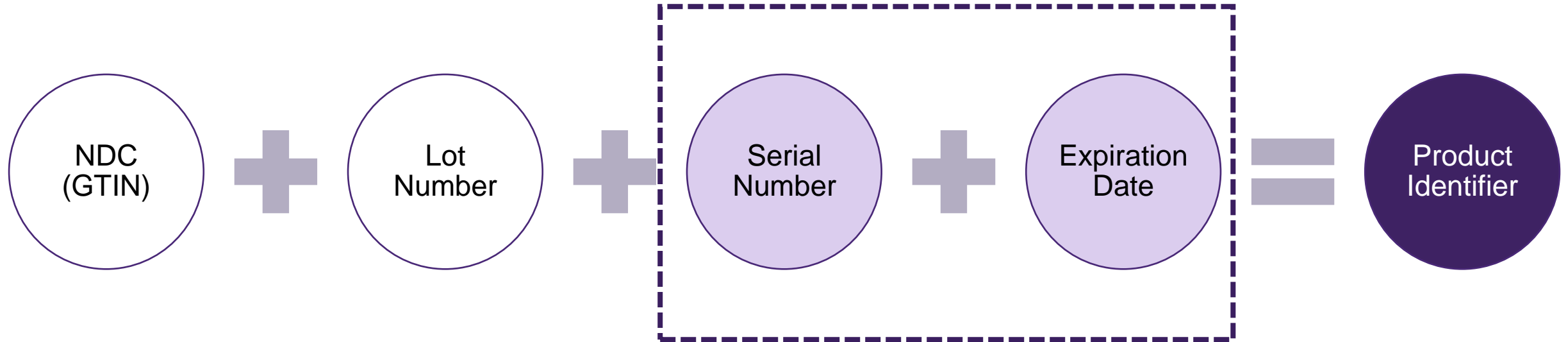
“Capture” TI, TH, and TS for 6 years

# Serialized TI Exchange: 2023

TI and TS must be exchanged in secure, interoperable, and electronic manner.

TI shall include the product identifier at the package level

# Serialized TI Exchange: 2023



# Serialized TI Exchange

## Blueprint

- Standardized TI element formats
- General expectations for accuracy and reliability

## Functional Design

- Data push (EPCIS) or data availability (web portals)
- Dropships, 340B, direct ships, etc.
- Misalignment exception resolution

# Interoperable Verification

Requests for verification **from authorized trading partners** to manufacturer

Verification of product in requestor's **possession or control**

Manufacturer **shall respond** within 24 hours

Response includes **whether** the product identifier **corresponds to the product identifier affixed or imprinted by the manufacturer**

# Interoperable Verification: 2023

Electronic, interoperable systems and processes

Verification at the package level (including serial number)



# Interoperable Verification

## Blueprint

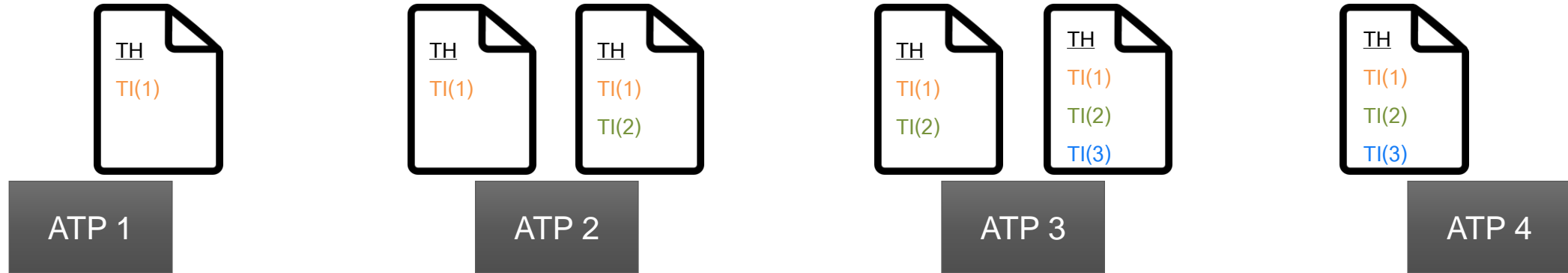
- Modest enhancements to VRS
- Serial number statuses
- Direct-to-replicate verification

## Functional Design

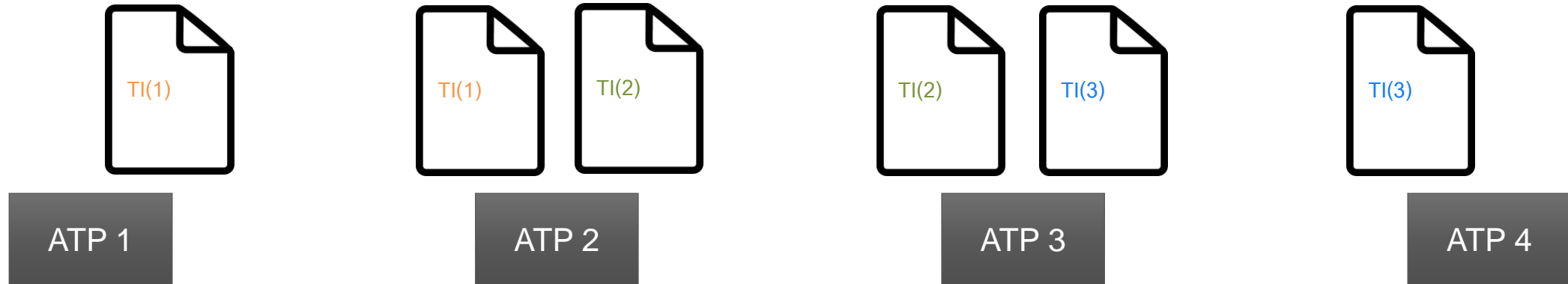
- Extension of VRS to additional use cases
- Addition of contact information
- Role of credentialing

# Interoperable Unit Level Tracing

Today



2023



# Interoperable Tracing

## Blueprint

- Who can trace for what purposes
- What information can be requested
- How fast is tracing performed

## Functional Design

- General request-response model
- Request-response message protocol
- Role of credentialing

# Initiation of a Trace

*[Requirements-Trac-002 to -004] define the legal authority to request that tracing systems and process be executed.*

## *Suspect Product*

- To support the investigation of a suspect product
- May be initiated by an **ATP** *involved in the investigation* of the suspect product at issue
- May be initiated by a **Regulator**

## *Illegitimate Product*

- To support the investigation of an illegitimate product
- May be initiated by an **ATP** *involved in investigation* of the illegitimate product at issue
- May be initiated by a **Regulator**

## *Recall*

- On account of a recall
- May only be initiated by a **Regulator**

# Initiation of a Trace

***[Requirement-Trac-004] Any use of systems and processes for tracing for use cases other than those for suspect product, illegitimate product, or recall is a matter of commercial business practice that shall be left to, and would require agreement by, the relevant ATPs.***

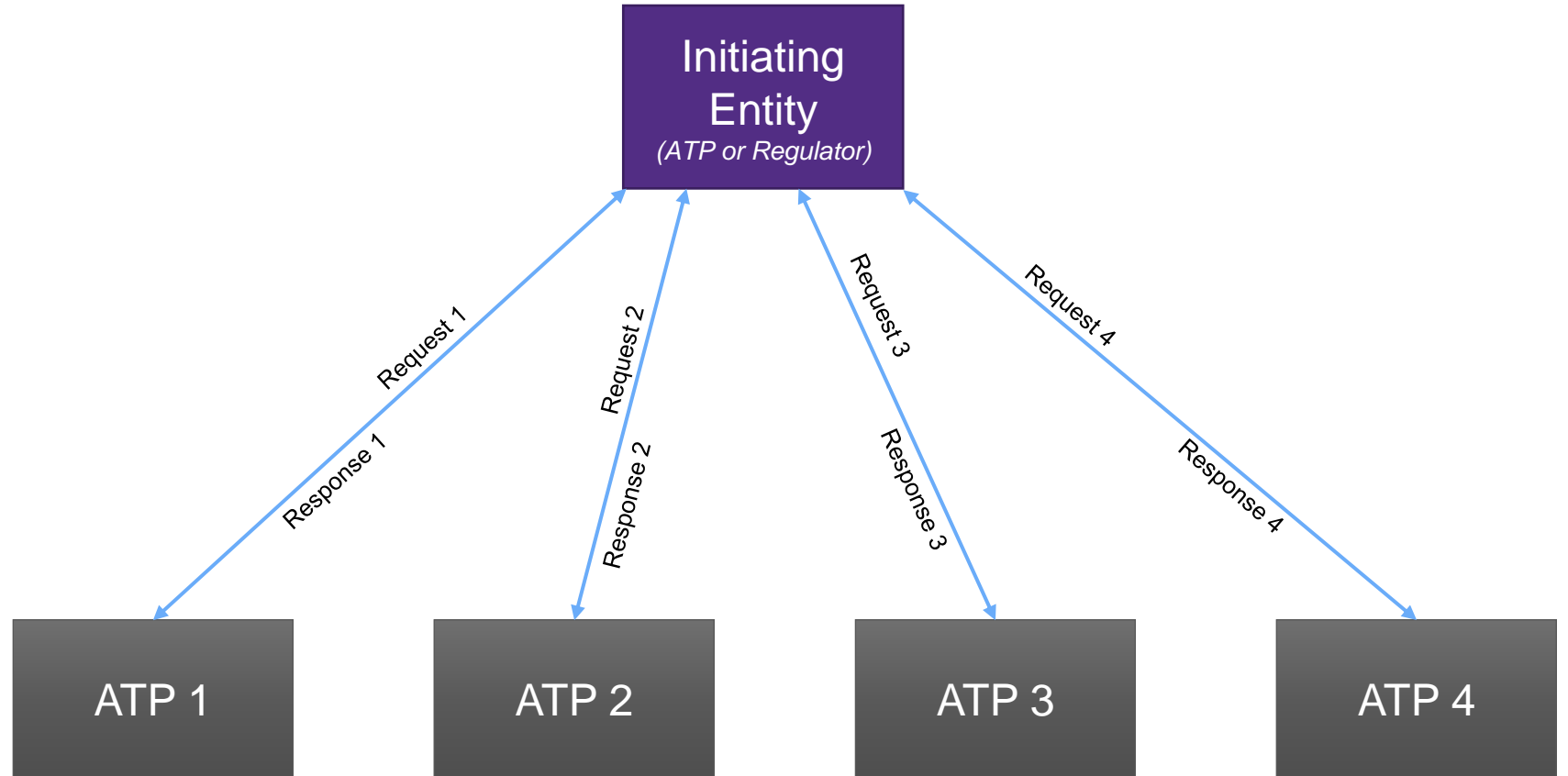
# Speed of Tracing

*[Requirement-Trac-016] The systems and processes for Tracing shall be configurable to enable Responding ATPs the optionality to respond in a rapid automated manner or to manually review the request and respond within one business day.*

# Interoperable Tracing

*Standardized request/response messaging protocol to enable interoperability company-by-company automation, as desired.*

*Company-by-company process to review request and determine how to respond.*



# Credentialing

## Blueprint

- Requirements to confirm ATP status
- Requirements to confirm identity

## Functional Design

- Digital verifiable credentials as one way to efficiently manage credentialing



# ATP Proof

- Requirements specific to each sector
- License/registration confirmed against the source-of-truth
- One valid license/registration per corporate entity
- Wholesalers/3PLs complying with FDA reporting requirement
- License/registration routinely re-confirmed

# ATP Proof

If a license/registration is confirmed today, for how long can you rely on today's confirmation?

Where there are not regulator systems and process to push changes in licensure/registration status

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**Weekly re-confirmation**

Where there are regulator systems and process to push changes in licensure/registration status

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**Upon expiry of the current license/registration**

**NIST**

**Level 2**

# Functional Design

**Requirement: Tracing requests and responses must contain the standardized PDG data elements.**

Transport mechanism to meet requirement:

1. Structured email (*outside PDG EDDS*)
2. **Email with JSON attachment** (*inside PDG EDDS, at least near-term*)
3. **B2B/API connection** (*inside PDG EDDS; optimal future state*)

**Requirement: Identity and ATP status must be validated according to the criteria in Ch. 1. of the PDG Blueprint.**

Method to meet requirement:

1. **Individual company process** (e.g., existing KYC/KYS process, manual check, phone call) (*inside PDG EDDS, at least near-term*)
2. **OCI-conforming verifiable credential** (*inside PDG EDDS; optimal future state*)