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**Chair's suggested process for assessment of "Need Additional Information" cases**

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**Submitted by the TCC Chair**

**A. Principles already in place:**

i) paragraph 16. ii. of WP12 (Process for developing pCMR): *TCC22 will limit the practice of allowing CCMs to provide additional information verbally to situations of clarification only.*

ii) paragraph 42 of CMS CMM (CMM 2023-04): *CCMs may provide additional information up to 21 days after TCC. Additional information is restricted to that which only requires administrative consideration by the Secretariat to fill an information gap. This paragraph shall not apply to substantive issues. TCC shall consider whether a particular obligation may be met with the provision of additional information.*

**B. Suggested process**

**Step 1:**

Does the case fall into the category of "situations of clarification"? – To be confirmed by the meeting. Unless there are explicit views or positions expressed and agreed by CCMs, such a case will be deemed not to fall into the category of "situations of clarification".

**Yes** → Provide the relevant CCM with an opportunity to provide additional information verbally and make an assessment based on the additional information provided.

**No** → Assess as "Non-Compliant" or "Priority Non-Compliant", depending on the nature of the obligation being reviewed or assessed.

**Step 2:**

In the case of the cases assessed as "Non-Compliant" or "Priority Non-Compliant" in the Step 1 above, does the case fall into the category of "substantive issues"? To be confirmed by the meeting. Unless there are explicit views or positions expressed and agreed by CCMs, such a case will be deemed to fall into the category of "substantive issues".

**Yes** → The relevant CCM is not allowed to provide additional information within 21 days and the assessment remains.

**No** → The relevant CCM is allowed to provide additional information within 21 days.