

## Capabilities Document Q4 2025

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### Overview

# Boutique quality GxP consulting practice in Philadelphia

Focusing on helping emerging GxP biotech companies at early stages of their clinical journey with a particular emphasis on auditing and managing GxP vendors.

## **Primary Service Offerings**

- GxP Vendor Audits
- Vendor Mgt & Oversight
- QMS Support
- Head of QA Fractional Consulting

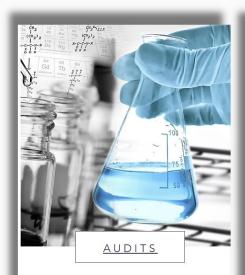
### Straightforward. Efficient. Simple.

"We are Cellicon Valley" Philadelphia Magazine

Philadelphia, now known as "Cellicon Valley," has become a hub for science innovation in cell and gene therapy. The main goal at **Simple Quality Systems** is to support small to medium-sized emerging biotech and startups entering the clinical space by providing essential GxP quality support and representation. All services are available domestically and internationally.



## Overview -Service Offerings



#### **GxP Vendor Audits**

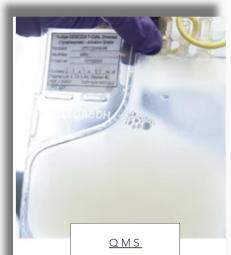
Set-up, mgt and execution of part or all of your audit program. Offering several audit packages for a costeffective solution for newer organizations.



VENDORS

#### Vendor Mgt/Oversight

Able to build (or improve!)
your vendor management
program, including
qualification, onboarding,
vendor oversight, and of
course, auditing.



#### **QMS Support**

Fit-for-purpose QMS, Gap
Assessment/Remediation.
From authoring/reviewing
SOPs to building the QA
organization (including
hiring/onboarding QA staff).

## Also offering Head of QA Fractional Consulting

Fractional consulting enables me to serve as Head of QA or similar level, on a part-time or project basis, rather than as a full-time employee. As your Head of QA Fractional Consultant, I would take a hands-on, senior leadership role within your company, providing strategic planning and execution of the quality assurance and QMS processes on a part-time basis. This approach allows organizations to access high-level expertise and support without the commitment and cost of a full-time hire. It is particularly beneficial for small to medium-sized enterprises, startups, and companies with fluctuating project demands.



#### DID YOU KNOW?

The use of fractional consultants in the biopharma sector has grown significantly, with more than 110,000 individuals identifying as fractional leaders in early 2024, compared to just 2,000 in 2022\*.

\*reference

**Explore The Benefits** 



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### Meet the Founder

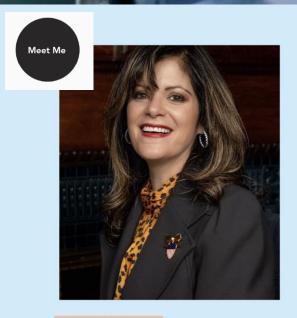
"Scientist at heart, Quality Crusader on the field!"

- 20 years of GxP experience
- MS Organic Chemistry
- Most recent assignments:
  - · Novartis: Head of QA Processes & Excellence
  - Gyroscope Therapeutics: Head of QA Operations
  - UPenn CCI: Director of GMP QA
- · Previous related assignments at Eli Lilly, GSK and J&J

I've spent 20 years in pharma and biotech building and strengthening quality systems, from R&D labs to commercial manufacturing, and I've learned one simple truth: quality doesn't have to be boring or overcomplicated. My passion is cutting through the noise, eliminating redundancies, and designing systems people can actually use. Compliance works best when it's clear, practical, and sustainable.

What sets me apart is my approach. I don't just "do compliance", I make it work for the business. Whether it's streamlining a QMS, overhauling training, or spotting vendor gaps before they become disasters, I bring energy, clarity, and a results-driven mindset that gets teams moving forward. Quality should empower innovation, not slow it down, and that's exactly how I lead.

Simple Quality Systems was created out of this philosophy: to help emerging biotech companies build frameworks that are fit-for-purpose, not overbuilt. Whether in consulting or in-house leadership, my goal is always the same, to deliver pragmatic solutions that foster compliance, efficiency, and trust.



#### Suzette Arostegui, MS Founder/Principal Consultant

(and problem solver extraordinaire!)

Learn more about me



Located in Philly but able to provide services domestically and internationally



Get to know me: "I believe that **having fun** while working is imperative! Building great work relationships not only makes the work environment enjoyable but also fosters collaboration. By creating a **positive and engaging atmosphere**, we can achieve our goals more effectively and enjoy the journey together. This approach has consistently led to successful projects and **long-lasting professional friendships**, which are invaluable for future collaborations and continued growth." -sa



Suzette proved to be a highly capable, organized and diligent QA professional and an outstanding team player who helped build the QA group as we scaled the organization through to Phase 2 clinical trials. Suzette has fantastic energy, attention to detail and applies a team-player approach to tackling QA issues. It was an absolute pleasure working with Suzette; she would be an asset to any biotech/pharma company.



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#### **GxP Vendor Audits**

#### Elevate Your Compliance with Flexible GxP Vendor Auditing Packages

At Simple Quality Systems, we understand that ensuring vendor compliance is crucial for product development, testing, and manufacturing. Our GxP Vendor Auditing service effers flexible packages tailored to your needs, with discounts available for booking multiple audits in advance. Whether you need a single audit or comprehensive program management, we provide expert support to maintain compliance and ensure product quality. Schedule a free consultation to discuss how our services can benefit your organization.

Free Consultation

#### **EXPLORE OUR AUDIT SOLUTIONS**

#### Single Audit

Ideal for organizations needing a one-time assessment only. Expect the same quick turnaround and the audit report back to you in less than a week. CAPA follow up is also available.

#### Audit Package

Ideal for organizations looking for the convenience of hiring a single consultant to expedite the overall process. Plus, the more audits scheduled, the greater the discount.

#### Audit Program

Full audit program management is also offered, including planning, executing, and monitoring of audits, managing the program's annual schedule, monitoring metrics, etc.

## Type of Audits

Free Consultation

Audits can be conducted onsite or remotely. Onsite audits are recommended for laboratories or vendors with physical facilities involved in manufacturing, testing, or product development, as well as for initial vendor qualification processes. Remote audits may be suitable for routine qualification audits of low-risk vendors. Audits typically last 1 to 3 days. An SME from your team is welcome to join if specific expertise is needed or if there are particular areas of concern to address.

Below are some examples of the types of audits covered with the service.

Please schedule a free consultation to discuss your audit needs so we can tailor our approach to meet your specific requirements.

#### **GMP Audits**

- Excipients/Raw Materials
- Contract Mfg Facilities
- Storage and Distribution

#### **GLP/GCLP Audits**

- Facility Inspections
- Testing Facilities
- Lab operations/housekeeping

#### **CSV/Data Integrity**

- Electronic records/signatures
- GxP-related systems
- Excel spreadsheets

#### **GDP Audits**

- Warehouse
- · Supply chain and distribution
- · Chain of custody



## **QMS Support**

## Gap-Assessment Workflow



How we'll do it: Gather relevant documentation, survey SMEs to identify current process pain

Timeframe: Typically takes 1-3 weeks, depending on complexity and availability of documentation and staff.



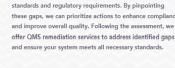
#### Plan

How we'll do it: Prioritize gaps based on impact. Assign responsibilities, set deadlines and allocate resources. Create a timeline for changes. depending on the number of gaps and complexity.



#### Evaluate

How we'll do it: Conduct followup audits, gather feedback, and review performance metrics. Adjust as needed to maintain compliance and improvement. Timeframe: 2-4 weeks, depending on complexity and data availability.





#### Assess

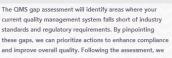
How we'll do it: Conduct interviews, review documents, and perform assessment to gather data. Checklists and assessment tools will be produced. Timeframe: 2-4 weeks, depending on organization size and

assessment thoroughness



#### Implement

How we'll do it: Implement changes, update documentation, and train employees. Monitor progress Timeframe: 4-12 weeks, depending on changes and resources





Through the QMS initial assessment we will identify main pain points as well as areas of **opportunity** to make your existing processes more efficient and compliant. This proactive approach not only enhances compliance **but** also fosters a culture of continuous improvement leading to increased stakeholder confidence.

QMS Support Services also encompass the management and execution of a wide variety of single quality initiatives or projects. For example, I can assist with the implementation of a new electronic eQMS, conduct workshops on technical writing or other quality topics, or create quality dashboards on Power BI, to name a few. Whatever your requirements, we can collaborate to develop a tailored plan that meets your needs.

Additionally, we offer targeted gap assessments of individual key quality processes rather than evaluating the entire program. Some examples of processes that can be individually assessed include:

- Training Program
  - Change Management
- Deviations/CAPAs
- Audit Program
- Vendor Mgt & Oversight
- Risk Management

DID U KNOW?



Contrary to popular belief, paper-based systems are acceptable, especially in the early development stages. The key is to ensure these processes are well-controlled and compliant until you are able to invest in the implementation of the

Result? A Fit-for-purpose



**Explore QMS Remediation Services** 

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The entire vendor management program will be assessed, and audit frequencies will be updated based on risk analysis results. The annual audit schedule will be revised to ensure an adequate schedule that minimizes overlap, simplifying the workload. Additionally, an audit tracker and dashboard can be developed upon request to help monitor the schedule and ensure timely completion of audits.



Step 1. Vendor Mapping Step 2. Assess vendor risk Step 3.
Determine Audit frequency

<u>Step 4.</u> Build Audit Schedule

**Explore Audit Services** 

I offer ongoing and continuous monitoring of your audit program, including building the annual audit schedule, executing audits, monitoring metrics, and ensuring the program remains compliant. Additionally, I can assist in preparing your team for regulatory inspections by conducting mock inspections and delivering training workshops. Let's discuss your specific needs in detail and develop a service that stays within your budget while ensuring compliance.

Get a Quote



A great way to start revamping your audit program is by developing visual tools to help you monitor audit schedule, report status, CAPA follow-up, etc.



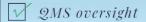
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## Head of QA Fractional Consulting

Fractional Consulting offers a deeper integration into your company's operations, providing long-term engagement, decision-making authority, and a cost-effective solution. Let's explore some of the most impactful differences between regular consulting and Fractional Consulting.

Get a Quote

## Why Choose Fractional Consulting?



Drive Change

Training Oversight

W Hiring/onboarding staff

Serve as QA Rep

While both Fractional and Regular Consulting offer valuable expertise and knowledge, there are some differences in the type of tasks addressed under each category

#### Regular Consulting:

· Best for short-term projects or one-time tasks

#### Fractional Consulting:

- Ideal for continuous oversight of QMS operations or OA staff
- · Provides ongoing, high-level strategic support
- · Focuses on continuous improvement
- Offers long-term engagement and integration into company operations