

# Useful Tips

## Before the audit

- Always be audit ready: do not perform any extra work in preparation for the audit
- Ensure documentation is always updated and available
- Always use document naming conventions consistently

## During the audit


- Be on time
- Listen carefully to the questions
- Consider the question type and what type of answer is appropriate
- Share the exact information requested
- Stick to the facts
- Only answer questions from your area of responsibility

## Afterwards


- Understand which observations require action on your behalf
- Define an action plan to complete the CAPAs on the target date
- Make sure your CAPAs are SMART
- Include the correct topics in you CAPA plan
- Engage with the right stakeholders

# Checklist

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**Auditor**  
The person assigned to conduct the audit. They might be an internal certified Novartis auditor or a contracted external auditor.



**CAPA Coordinator**  
The person appointed by the auditees to liaise with the auditors.



**CAPA Owner**  
This is the designated user responsible for the implementation of designated CAPAs.



**CAPA Plan Approver**  
The designated user of the Business Owner/Stakeholder QA Team responsible for the audit and approval of the CAPA Plan (only non-GMP audits).



**QA Approver**  
The designated user of the Business Owner/Stakeholder QA Team responsible for the final approval of implemented CAPAs for closure.



**QPPV**  
The Qualified Person for Pharmacovigilance, Additional CAPA Plan Approver for PV Audits with a “Need Improvement”.