

# VERIFICATION PROCESS OVERVIEW

Data quality is of the utmost importance at M3 Global Research. To ensure the best possible quality, M3 uses a three-step-verification process before, during, and after a market research study. M3 Global Research monitors for duplicates, fraud, and abuse throughout the survey process. In addition, M3 performs a validation check at the conclusion of each project, confirming all respondents are verified and acceptable.














## M3 Global Physicians Verification

Upon registration, physicians' details are sent for review on a verification process. For US physicians, information provided on the registration form is validated against the AMA and NPI database, details such as specialty, medical school and year of graduation are confirmed.

For the EU markets, M3 validates physicians' details on the local medical council. In addition to that, EU physicians are asked to submit their medical credentials to Panel Team:

- Copy of medical ID license
- Copy of the diploma of medical school
- Copy of medical license

The verification team validates the submitted documentation against the local medical council sites, as follows:

Country	Local Medical Council Site	Description
	 <b>American Medical Association (AMA) Physicians</b>	The AMA is the largest association of physicians, doctors of osteopathic medicine and medical students in the United States.
	 <b>The NPI (National Provider Identifier)</b> <a href="https://npidb.org/">https://npidb.org/</a>	The NPI (National Provider Identifier) is the only health care provider identifier that can be used for identification purposes.
	 <b>GMC: General Medical Council</b> <a href="http://www.gmc-uk.org/index.asp">http://www.gmc-uk.org/index.asp</a>	GMC is the independent regulator for doctors in the United Kingdom and maintains the official register of medical practitioners within the United Kingdom.
	 <b>CGCOM: Consejo General de Colegios Oficiales de Médicos</b> (General Council of Official Colleges of Physicians) <a href="http://www.cgcom.es/">http://www.cgcom.es/</a>	The CGCOM It is the public body that coordinates and represents all medical associations state-wide and establishes the criteria for licensing physicians to practice in Spain.
	 <b>ASIP Santé</b> (Agency of Shared Information Systems of Health) <a href="http://esante.gouv.fr/en/asip-sante">http://esante.gouv.fr/en/asip-sante</a> <a href="http://annuaire.gip-cps.fr/">http://annuaire.gip-cps.fr/</a>	The ASIP Santé is a governmental agency responsible for the development of the shared information systems in the healthcare sector.
	 <b>Bundesärztekammer</b> Federal Chamber of Physicians <a href="http://www.bundesaerztekammer.de/">http://www.bundesaerztekammer.de/</a>	The Bundesärztekammer physicians' chambers and regional associations (federal states) provide data of the qualified doctors working in Germany.  <b>Other sites used for verification</b> The official websites of the hospital which must show the full name of the physician together with their role and speciality.  Online sources: <a href="http://www.kinderaerzte-im-netz.de/">http://www.kinderaerzte-im-netz.de/</a> , <a href="http://www.frauenaezte-im-netz.de/">http://www.frauenaezte-im-netz.de/</a> , <a href="http://www.hno-aerzte-im-netz.de/">http://www.hno-aerzte-im-netz.de/</a>
	 <b>FNOMCEO</b> Federazione nazionale degli ordini dei medici chirurghi e degli odontoiatri National Federation of Chambers of Physicians and Dentists <a href="https://portale.fnomceo.it">https://portale.fnomceo.it</a>	The FNOMCEO collects the data from all the regional medical professional associations, issues physicians and dentists' professional certificates and exercises disciplinary authority.