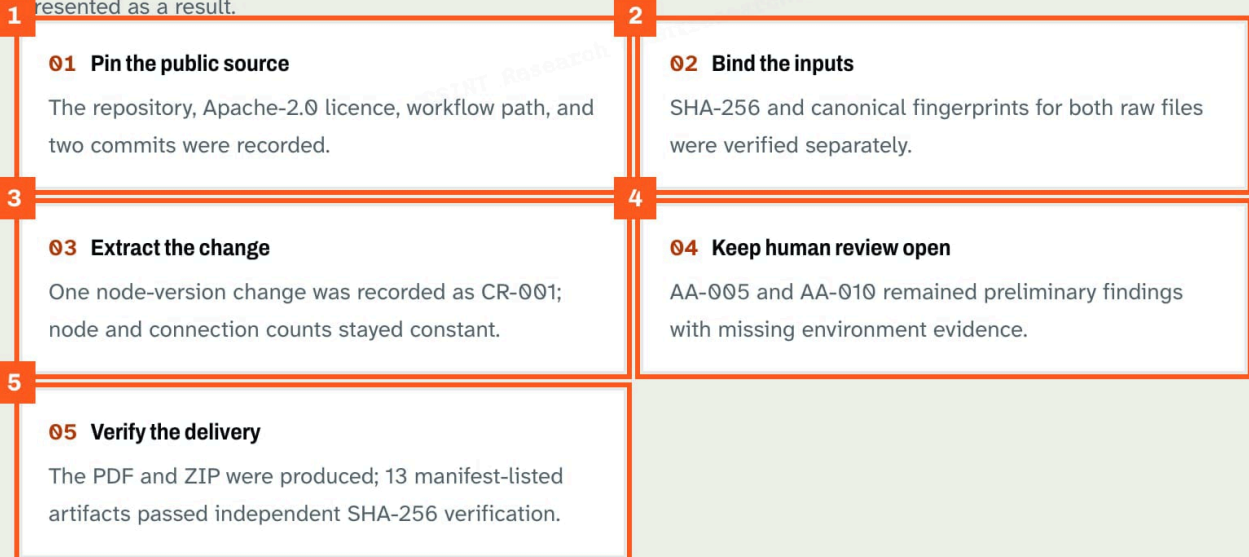


Evidence flow

The diagram shows the sequence actually used for this record; an unrun stage is never presented as a result.



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Workflow Clinic from start to finish

Workflow Clinic is an open method record that shows how I review an n8n change, where anyone can look and discuss. This guide walks the method from the first step to the last and shows how you can follow the same path yourself.

1 What the Clinic is

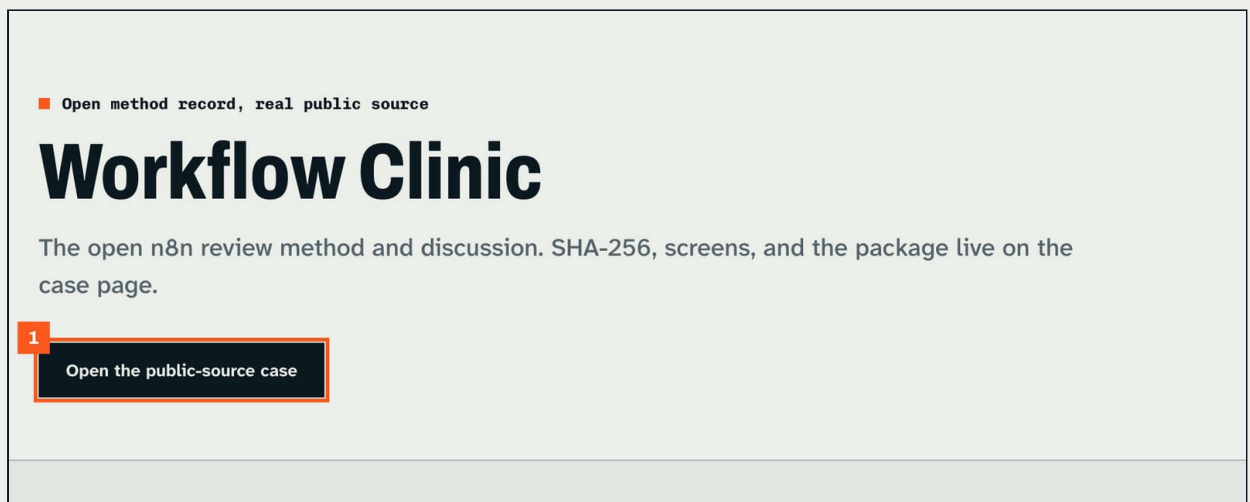
A person reading a review report usually sees only the result. They cannot see which file was looked at, what was not run, or where the decision was left to a person. I built the Clinic to keep the method itself in the open.

The Clinic page holds the method and the discussion. The hashes, screenshots and downloadable package live on a separate case page, the ReleaseGuard public-source case. The details of that case are explained in its own handbook (HB-27). This guide focuses on the order of the method.

A few words

Public source	Code or files anyone can see and use as far as the licence allows.
Upstream	The repository of the file's real owner. Here, the n8n organisation's repository.
Reproducible	Someone else following the same steps gets the same result.
False positive	The tool shows a problem, but looking at the file shows there is none.
Manifest	A list holding the SHA-256 fingerprint of every file in the package.

2 What is on the page



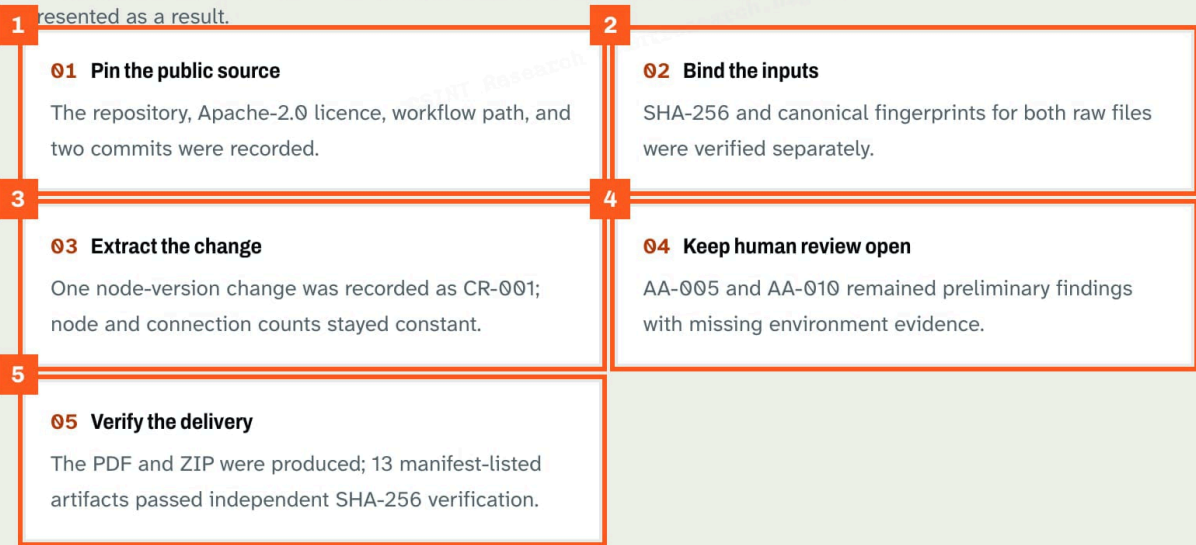
The top of the Workflow Clinic page.

1 Open the case record

This button takes you to the real public-source case the method was applied to. The evidence itself is there.

Evidence flow

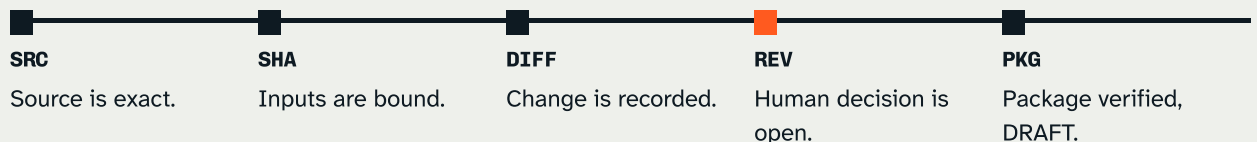
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The evidence flow. The diagram shows the order actually used for this record. A step that was not run is never shown as a result.

The five cards are the five steps of the method. In the record each step has a short code, in order SRC, SHA, DIFF, REV and PKG. The codes are not shown on screen, but I use them below.



3 Five steps

1 SRC, pin the public source

I recorded the repository, the Apache-2.0 licence, the workflow file path and the two commit IDs. If the source is not exact, nobody can check the result. To check, open the repository, commit and licence links on the case page.

2 SHA, bind the inputs

I verified the SHA-256 of both raw files and the canonical fingerprint of the ordered JSON, separately, because the report must stay bound to exactly these files. To check, download the files from the commits, calculate the SHA-256 and compare it with the case page.

3 DIFF, extract the change

I compared the two versions with ReleaseGuard. One change came out. The Basic LLM Chain node moved from version 1.3 to 1.7. The record number is CR-001. Node and connection counts did not change. To check, open the same two files in the free tool.

4 REV, keep human review open

The tool gave two preliminary findings, AA-005 and AA-010. Neither can be confirmed without environment evidence. I left them open instead of closing them, because an approval without evidence confirms nothing.

5 PKG, verify the delivery

A PDF and a ZIP were produced. The 13 files listed in the manifest passed an independent SHA-256 check. Because human sign-off is missing, the package stayed DRAFT. To check, open the ZIP in the package verifier on the ai-agent-audit page.

This case was not run in any staging environment. Its state is DRAFT and NOT-RUN. It is not a client delivery or a CLIENT-READY approval.

4 Walking the same path yourself

If you want to try the method with another public n8n workflow, the order is the same. The tool is free and your files do not leave your browser.

1 Choose a licensed source

Find a public repository with a clearly stated licence, and a workflow file that exists in two different commits.

2 Download both versions and fingerprint them

Download the file from each commit separately. Note the SHA-256 values and the commit IDs.

3 Compare

Give the old version to the free tool as the baseline and the new version as the candidate.

4 Check every finding in the file

Do not take an automatic finding as true. Open the field in the file. Leave open what you cannot confirm.

5 Download and verify the package

Download the ZIP and open it in the verifier. If the human record is missing, the package stays DRAFT. That is a correct result.

01
Baseline
The workflow running today, or the last approved version.

Choose JSON

02
Candidate
The new workflow you intend to release.

Choose JSON

03
Staging receipt
Optional. The JSON receipt from an isolated run.

Choose JSON

04
Prior review receipt
Optional. Select the earlier ReleaseGuard JSON receipt when checking a corrected candidate.

Choose JSON

05
n8n instance audit
Optional. Security audit JSON from your own n8n instance. Only category counts enter the pack.

Choose JSON

The file picker of the free tool on the [ai-agent-audit](#) page.

1 Baseline

The file from the older commit.

2 Candidate

The file from the newer commit.

3 Staging record

Optional. A public-source case usually has none. The result is then written as NOT-RUN.

5 Contribution and discussion

Safe contribution boundary

1 Contributions must use open, redistributable sources.

A public workflow link with an explicit licence

An upstream commit or hash correction

A reproducible check proposal

A false-positive assessment

A source or method documentation correction

The safe contribution boundary. Contributions use open, redistributable sources only.

1 Accepted contributions

A public workflow link with an explicit licence, an upstream commit or hash correction, a reproducible check proposal, a false-positive assessment, a source or method documentation correction.

At the bottom of the page is the Method discussion section. To comment, you sign in to your community account with an email code. Your email address is not shown publicly. You can leave a note about the source, reproducibility or where a finding ends.

- × Do not share client workflows, secrets, credentials, production data or personal data.
- × Do not add private files you have no permission for, not even as a link.
- × If you make a claim, give its source. A claim without a source cannot become part of the method.

6 Limits

- × The Clinic holds no real client data, production access or security guarantee.
- × The case is a static baseline and candidate comparison. Model behaviour was not tested.
- × Live credential permissions, n8n instance settings, role permissions and the identity of the published workflow were not seen.
- × It is not a pentest, a vulnerability verdict, a compliance result, a certificate or an n8n endorsement.

If you see a gap in the method, write it in the discussion. A specific, sourced note makes the method better for everyone.