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Perspectives from EMA Scientific Committees

## Paediatric Committee - PDCO

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Regulatory challenges and opportunities

PCWP/HCPWP workshop on personalised medicines

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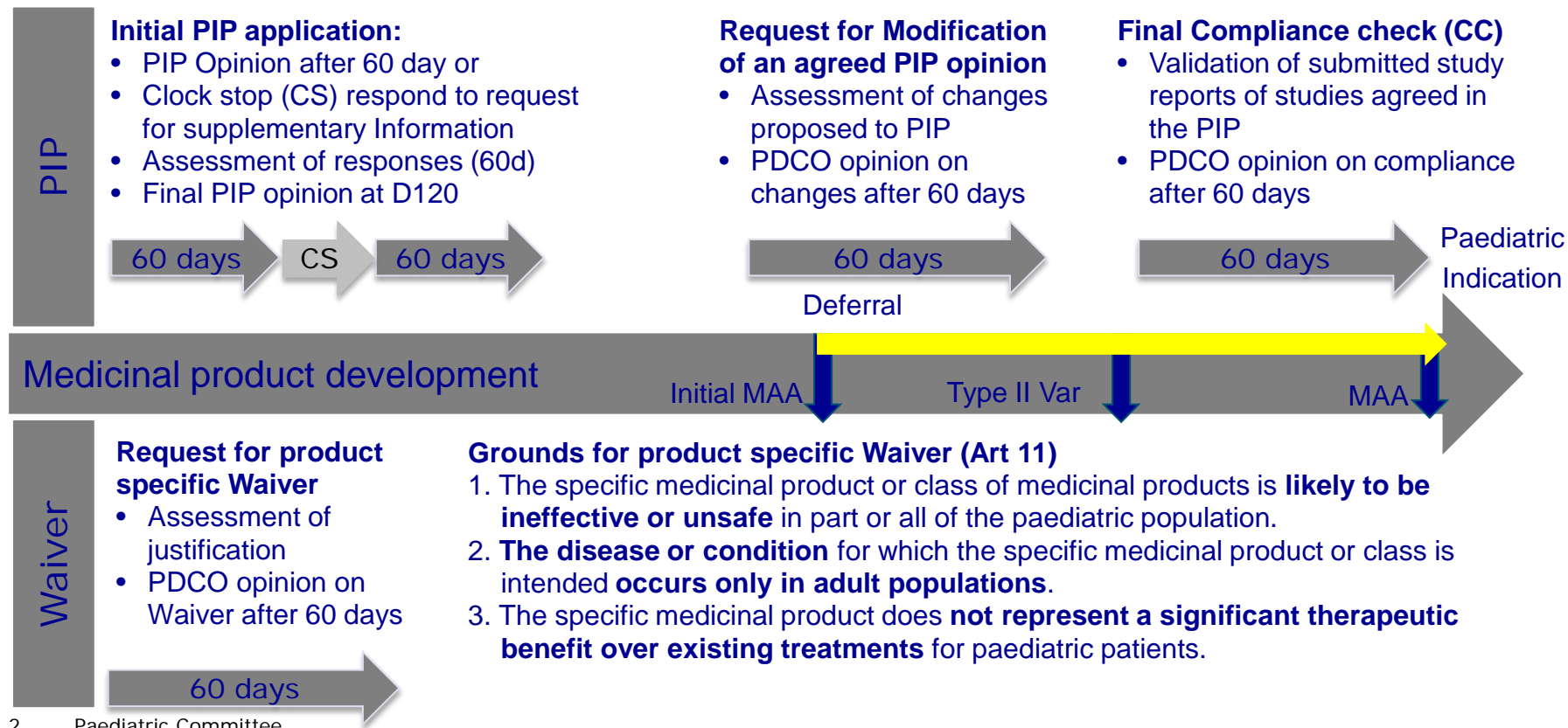


## Key developments that are shaping medicines evaluation

- Paediatric development is **mandatory** in the EU and has to follow the agreed key binding elements laid down in the opinion of the paediatric investigation plan (PIP)
- Unless a product-specific **waiver** or a class waiver is granted (which applies only for specific conditions and dosage forms)
- **Early submission** of the PIP to guarantee the timely conduction of agreed paediatric clinical trial development to allow authorisation.
- **Deferrals** can also be granted (studies in children can be initiated and/or completed after applying for marketing authorisation in adults)
- **Incentive** for conducting the PIP as agreed with the PDCO in the PIP opinion.



# Regulatory challenges





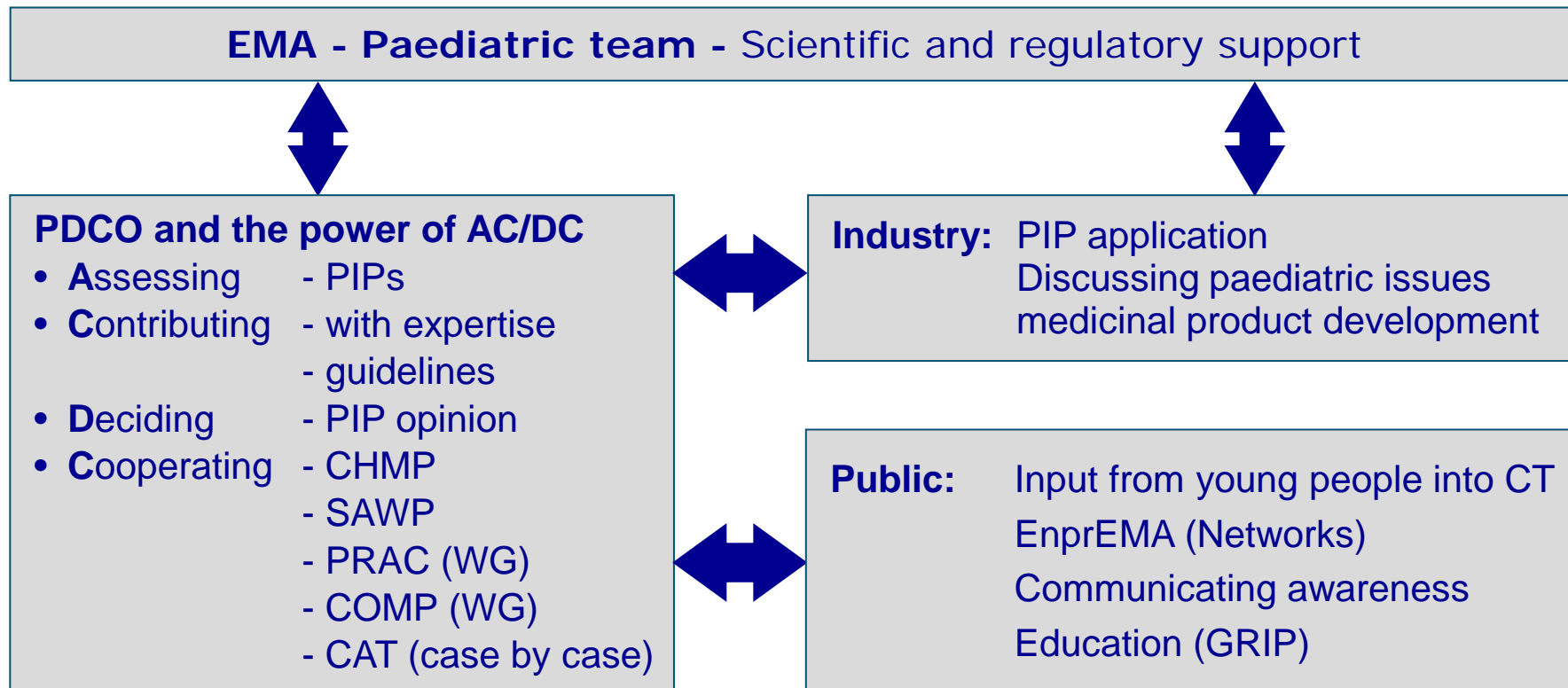
## Objective of Paediatric Regulation (art. 2.2):

'Paediatric investigation plan' means a research and development program aiming to ensure that the necessary data are generated determining the conditions in which a medicinal product may be authorised to treat the paediatric population

Paediatric regulation plays a key role paediatric drug development



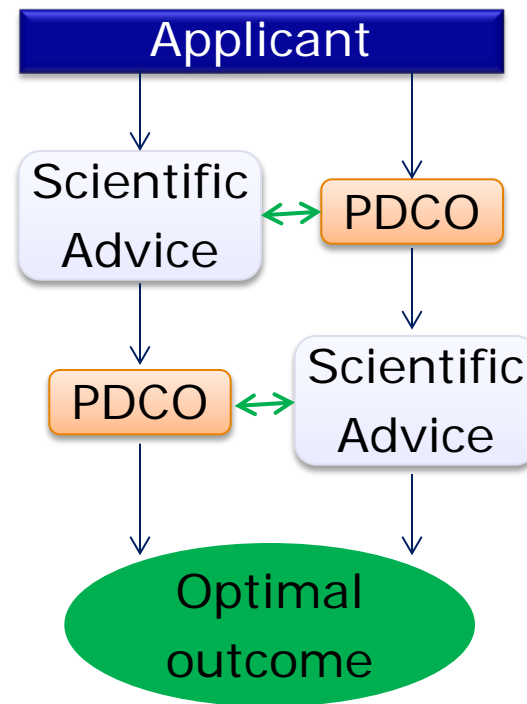
# Opportunities



## Opportunities for interaction

PDCO tries to ensure a successful PIP/waiver procedure and paediatric development by ensuring best use of existing resources efficiently and supporting use of

- extrapolation
- Modeling and simulation
- Innovative trial design
- Multi-company-multi-drug clinical trial





# Thank you for your attention

## Further information

Link to EU - Paediatric Regulation

[http://www.ema.europa.eu/ema/index.jsp?curl=pages/regulation/document\\_listing/document\\_listing\\_000068.jsp&mid=WC0b01ac0580925c45](http://www.ema.europa.eu/ema/index.jsp?curl=pages/regulation/document_listing/document_listing_000068.jsp&mid=WC0b01ac0580925c45)