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Patients and Consumers Working Party (PCWP)

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Patients and Consumers Working Party (PCWP)

The PCWP, [established in 2006](#), provides a platform for exchange of information and discussion on issues of common interest between EMA, patients and consumers.





Patients and Consumers Working Party (PCWP)

European non-for-profit patient and consumer organisations





PCWP consists of 30 members:

- 22 representatives appointed from EMA's [eligible patients and consumers organisations](#);
- 6 representatives appointed by EMA's [scientific committees](#);
- 1 Chairperson elected from patient members (PCWP Co-Chair);
- 1 Chairperson nominated by EMA (EMA Co-Chair)

Observers from:

- EMA [Management Board](#);
- [European Commission](#);
- [Healthcare Professionals Working Party](#) (HCPWP);

All members' declarations of interests published in [European experts list](#).



PCWP Mandate

- PCWP members are nominated for a term of three years, renewable.
- [Mandate](#), [Rules of Procedure](#) and 3 year [Work Plan](#) developed together
- Up to four plenary meetings per year
- Consulted on specific cases, as and when needed, in writing or via TC.
- Systematically invited to participate / contribute to EMA workshops (often as speakers) and public consultations

Examples of PCWP activities

Workshops/info sessions:

- Personalised medicines
- Antimicrobial resistance
- Risk minimisation measures
 - Biosimilars

Contributing to new endeavours / strategies:

- Public hearings
- EMA Regulatory Science to 2025
- European Medicines Agencies Network strategy to 2025



Topic groups:

- Digital Media and Health
- Measure impact/value of patient involvement
 - Involvement of young patients
 - Training for patients
- Acknowledge and promote visibility of patient input



PCWP/HCPWP joint work



PCWP SPECIFIC WORK

- Patient data generation
- Package leaflet
- Patient reporting of ADRs
- Visibility of patient contribution
- Framework of interaction
- Training and support

SHARED AREAS OF WORK

- Medicines development and evaluation
 - Information on medicines
- Building trust and developing methodology
 - Public health focus areas

HCPWP SPECIFIC WORK

- Advances in clinical practice
- Outreach to clinical practitioners/researchers
- Framework of interaction



Thank you for your attention
Any questions?

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