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**CONDITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS WITH REGARD TO THE SAFE AND EFFECTIVE USE
OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE MEMBER STATES**

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The MAH shall provide an educational pack targeting all physicians who are expected to prescribe/use Pioglitazone. Prior to distribution of the prescriber guide in each Member State, the MAH must agree the content and format of the educational material, together with a communication plan, with the national competent authority.

- This educational pack is aimed at strengthening awareness of important identified risks of bladder cancer and heart failure and the overall recommendations intended to optimise the benefit-risk margin at the patient level.
- The physician educational pack should contain: The Summary of Product Characteristics, package leaflet, and a Prescriber Guide.

The Prescriber Guide should highlight the following:

- Patient selection criteria including that Pioglitazone should not be used as first line therapy and emphasising the need for regular review of treatment benefit.
- The risk of bladder cancer and relevant risk minimisation advice.
- The risk of heart failure and relevant risk minimisation advice.
- Caution in use in the elderly in light of age related risks (in particular bladder cancer, fractures and heart failure).

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