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SCIENCE MEDICINES HEALTH

Bringing real-life experience into the evaluation of medicines

EMA interaction with healthcare professionals

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Why do
we need
to talk to
each
other

To make sure that
the decisions we take

are meaningful

for your practice

and have a

positive impact

on your patients

When
and
How

The various roles of the EMA



The Agency is responsible for:

- The **evaluation of marketing authorisation** for **human and veterinary** applications submitted by pharmaceutical companies
- The coordination of European **pharmacovigilance** (supervision of the medicines on the market)
- The provision of **scientific advice** on the development of medicines
- The evaluation of applications for **orphan** designation in EU
- The evaluation of **paediatric investigation** plans (or waivers)
- The evaluation of **arbitration** and **referral** procedures
- The provision of good quality and independent **information** on the medicines it evaluates to patients and healthcare professionals
- 2 • The coordination of Member States' **inspections** (*GMP, GCP, GLP*)



Where do the regulatory and clinical contexts come together?

Benefits/risks balance



Risk management and communication



Medicines information

Hallo Alo Alo duit
Halla Hej Olá
Bonjour Dia duit
Здравейте
Pozdravi Hei
Bok Cześć
Hello Ahoj Sveiki
Hola
Ciao Tere
Helló Για σας

24 official languages



Approved via EMA (centralised procedure)

Dabigatran	Cangrelor
Rivaroxaban	Canagliflozin
Bivalirudin	Loxapine
Aripiprazole	Paliperidone
Imatinib	Lurasidone
Sunitinib	Olanzapine
Insulin degludec	Duloxetine
Pioglitazone hydrochloride	Orlistat

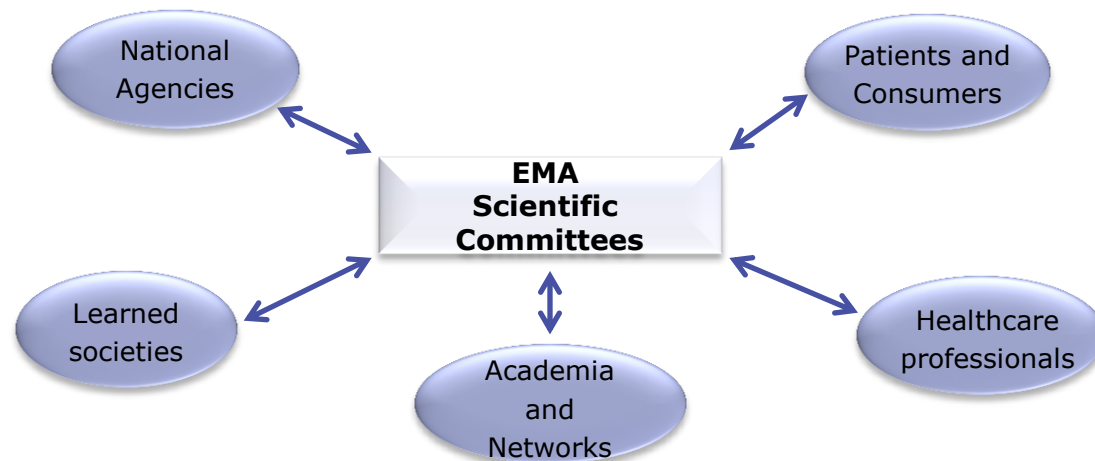
Safety reviews involving nationally authorised medicines (EMA level)

Valproate
Codeine
Domperidone
Diclofenac
Tetrazepam

Outcomes of
periodic safety
update report
single
assessments

European Regulatory Network

The European regulatory system for medicines is a unique model in the global regulatory environment.



EU Member States: 28

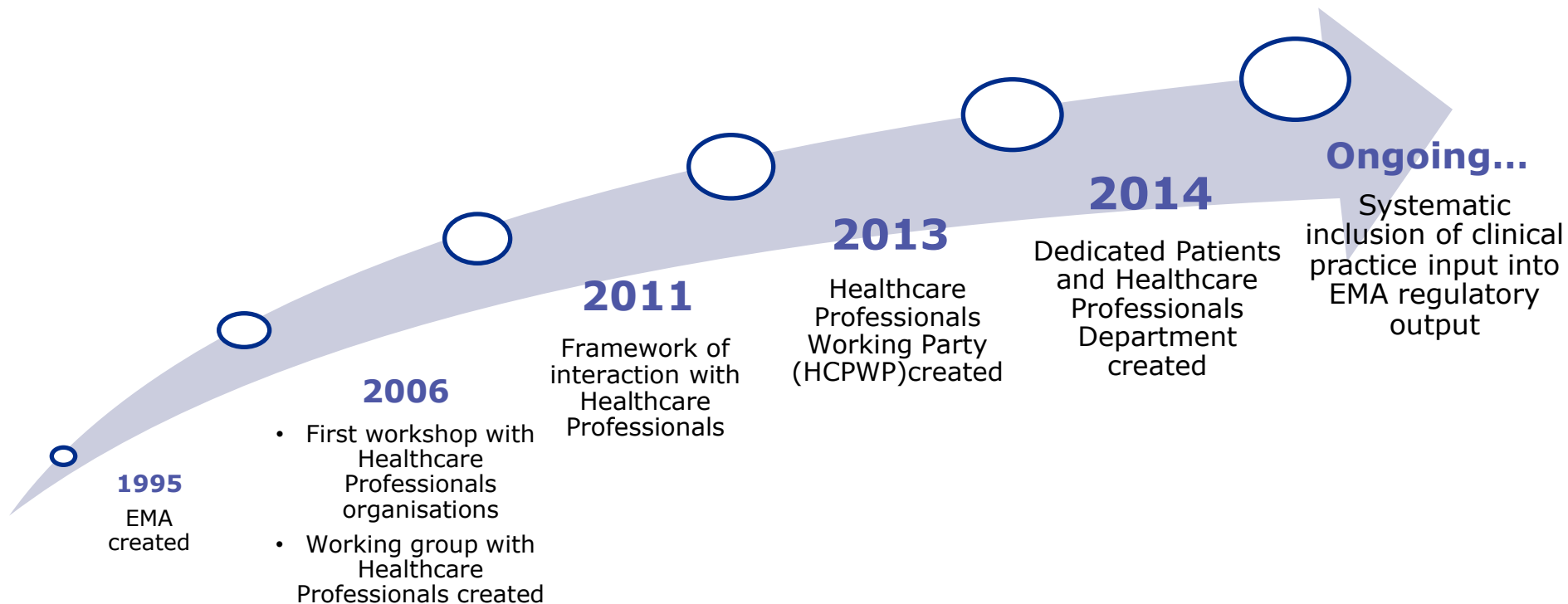


The European Economic Area (EEA) is formed of the 28 EU Member States plus:





Collaboration of EMA with healthcare professionals



Framework for interaction between the EMA and healthcare professionals



Support the Agency in order to access the best possible **independent expertise** and obtain information on the current use of medicines in **real clinical practice**



Contribute to a more efficient and targeted **communication** to healthcare professionals, to support their role in the safe and rational use of medicines



Enhance healthcare professional organisations' **understanding** of the role of the EU medicines Regulatory Network

Network of European healthcare professional organisations

Maintenance of the Network of European healthcare professional organisations (HCPOs)



- 29 eligible organisations by Dec 2015
- Transition into revised eligibility criteria

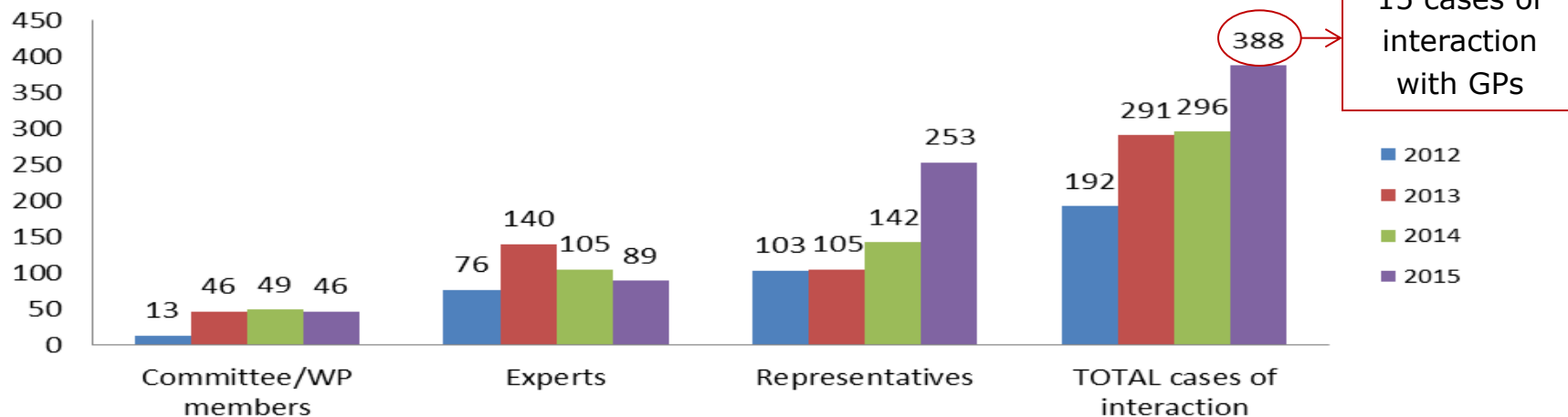
Healthcare Professionals Working Party (HCPWP)

Platform for dialogue and exchange on relevant issues concerning medicines;
The HCPWP provides recommendations to the EMA and its Human Scientific Committees on all matters of direct or indirect interest to healthcare professionals



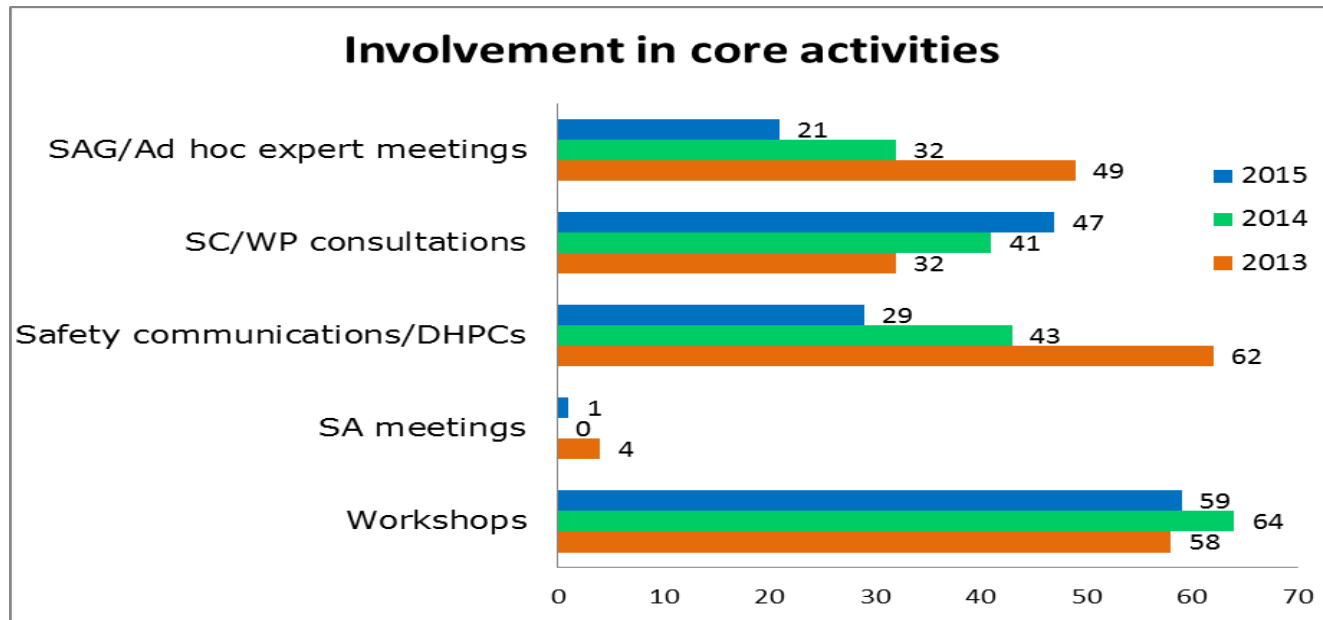
Involvement in core activities

Comparison of involvement as committee / WP* members, experts and representatives of organisations



*WP – working parties

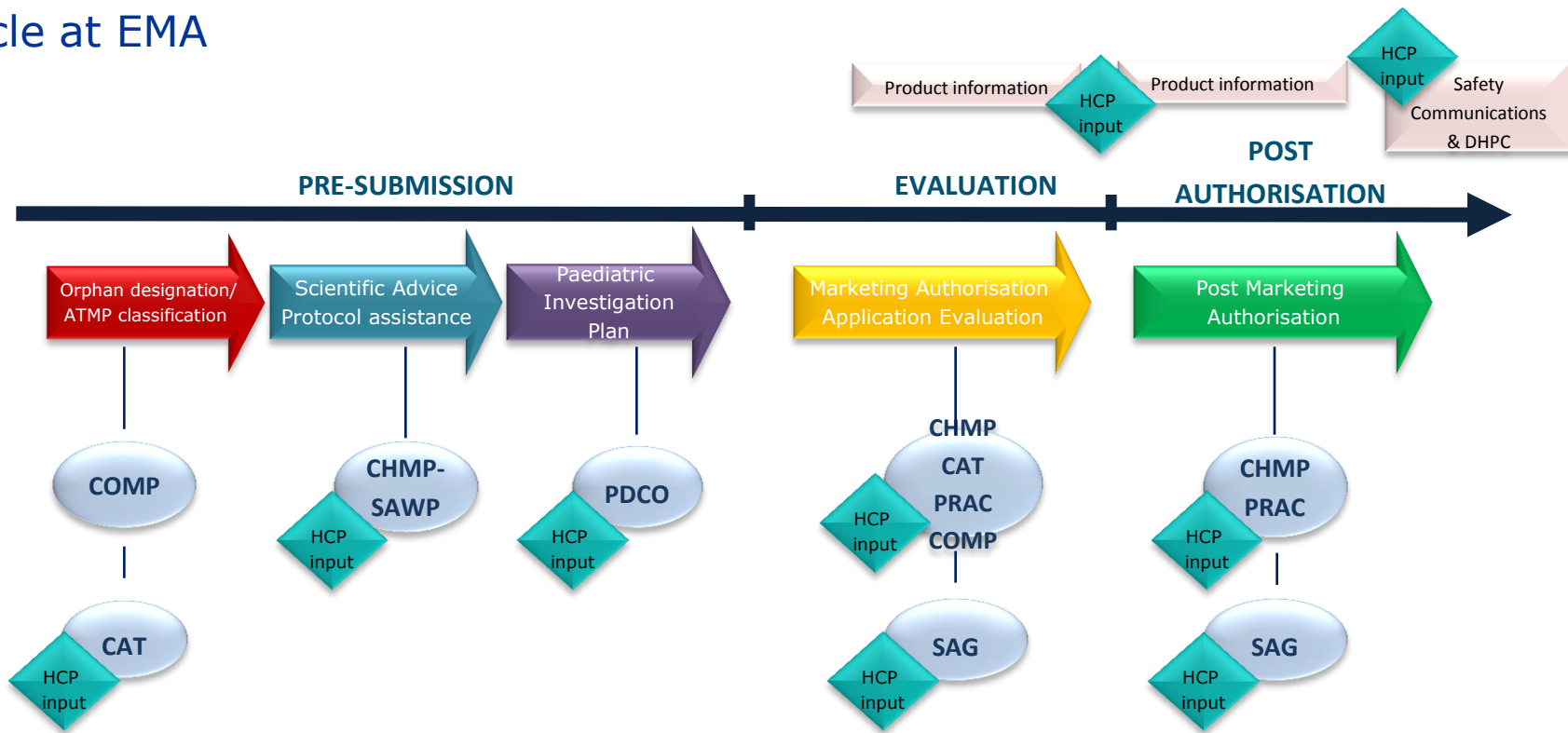
Sustained involvement in core activities



- SAG – Scientific Advisory Group
- SC – Scientific Committee
- WP – Working Party
- DHPC – Direct healthcare professional communication
- SA – Scientific Advice

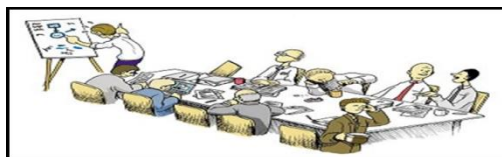
- Input and participation continues to be spread-out by various core activities
- Cases of interaction with previous years differ, due to the nature of the Agency's activities

Opportunities for Healthcare Professional involvement along the medicine lifecycle at EMA



Safety monitoring

Research & Development – Risk management Plan – Periodic Safety Update – Spontaneous report



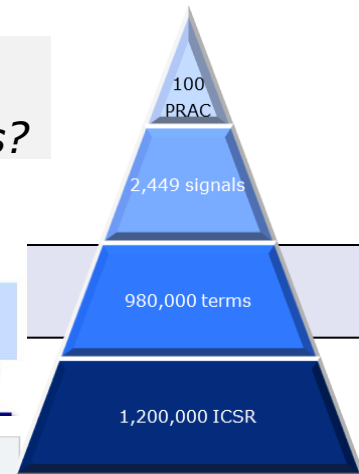
*Real-life data
e-health records?*

Clinical trials
safety data

e.g. post-
authorisation
safety study
or collection of
data in
subpopulation
or drug
interaction



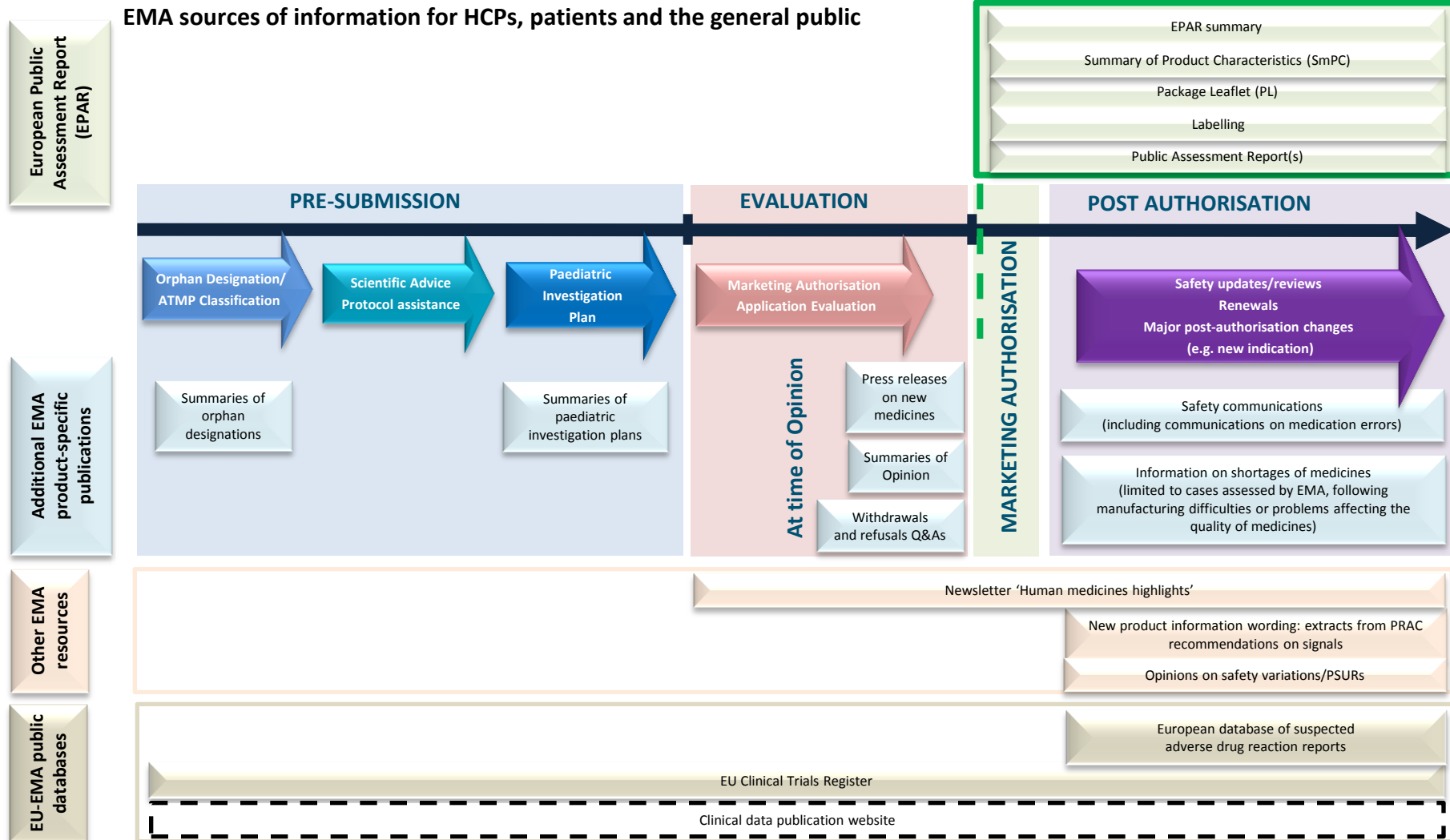
How to report a side-effect



Scientific
literature

Non-clinical and
clinical safety
investigations

EMA sources of information for HCPs, patients and the general public





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