

Training

EUnetHTA 21 & HTA Regulation

European Network for Health Technology Assessment
EC Service Contract | 2021-2023 & future HTA Regulation

Abbreviations used

See supporting document for more terminology used

COIC = Conflict of Interest Committee

DOI = Declaration of Interest

ECA = EUnetHTA 21 Confidentiality Agreement

EUnetHTA = European Network for Health Technology Assessment

HCP = Healthcare Professional

HTA = Health Technology Assessment

HTAb = Health Technology Assessment bodies

HTAR = Health Technology Assessment Regulation

HTD = Health Technology Developer

JCA = Joint Clinical Assessment

JSC = Joint Scientific Consultation

PICO = Population, Intervention, Comparator(s), Outcomes(s)

An introduction to HTA

HTA vs. Regulatory

Regulators (European Medicines Agency) - Authorization focus: Efficacy, Safety, Quality of the drug

- Does technology X work?
- Does the benefit of technology X outweigh the risks? Is technology X of sufficient quality?
- Are there any additional needs for technology X post-licensing?

HTA - Assessment focus: Benefit in comparison to current standard treatment

- How does technology X compare with technology Y?
 - Is technology X better than the current standard we already have (technology Y)?
 - Fewer harms, under what circumstances, for certain patient population?
 - Put in national context - What else needs to be considered? Underlying question: Is it worth paying for?

Current situation in the EU: Regulatory vs. HTA

EMA

- Single licensing system
- Single EU legislation
- Well defined and agreed assessment criteria

National HTA

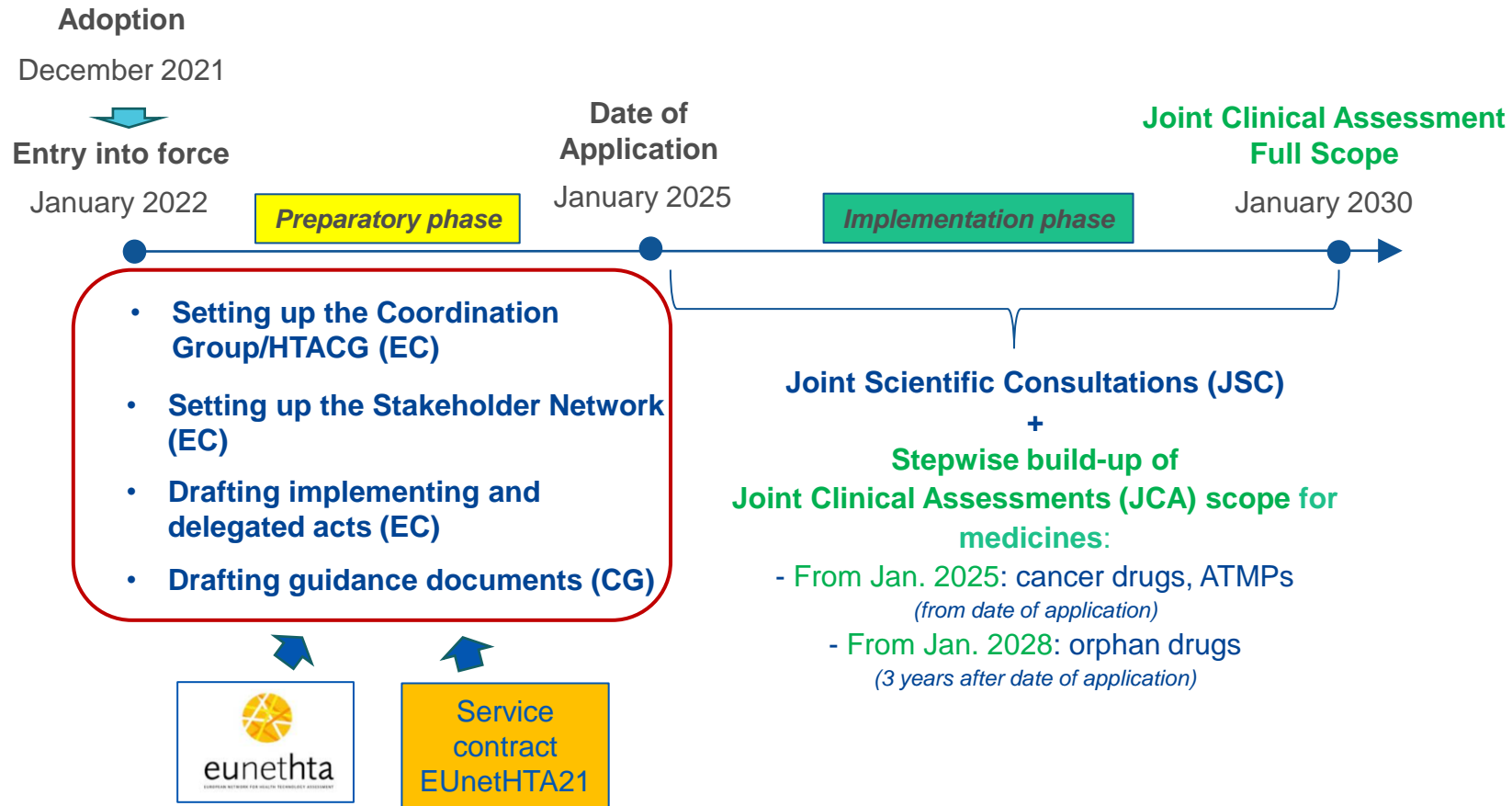
- All Member States have different HTA systems
- National legislations and procedures
- Different methodologies and assessment criteria

Situation under the HTA Regulation

EMA	HTA Regulation	National
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Single licensing system• Single EU legislation• Well defined and agreed assessment criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• EU regulation• Common methodology and approach for JSC and JCA	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• JCA to be used in national decision-making• National consultations possible

HTA Regulation & key products

HTA Regulation - Implementation timeline



What is EUnetHTA 21?

- EUnetHTA 21 is an EC service contract aiming to
 - Support the implementation of the HTA Regulation (HTAR), after its adoption in December 2021
- All output is joint output, with all consortium partners around the table
- Focus on developing methodological and transversal guidelines, templates and procedures
 - Also conducting joint products: Joint Scientific Consultation and Joint Clinical Assessment

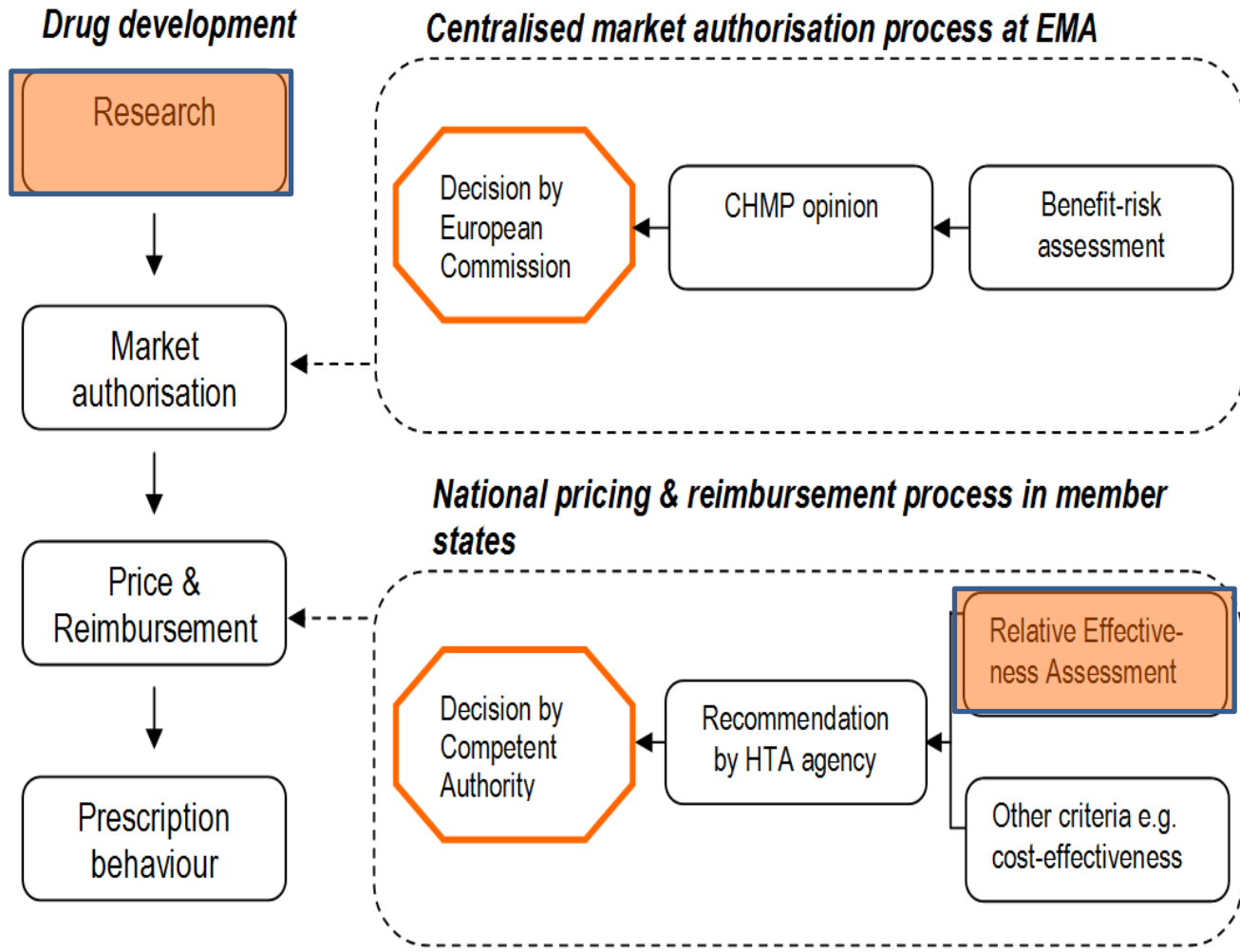
More info on: <https://www.eunetha.eu/jointhtawork/>

Key products under the HTAR

Joint Scientific Consultation (JSC)	Joint Clinical Assessment (JCA)
DEFINITION	
<p>Scientific advice provided jointly by HTA bodies to manufacturers on the clinical development. Can be in parallel with regulators</p>	<p>Joint HTA reports produced by multiple European Member States, focussing on the clinical domains</p>
AIM	
<p>To generate evidence that satisfies the needs of HTA bodies during their assessment and ultimately facilitates patient access</p>	<p>To avoid duplications of work at the national level, increase consistency and quality of assessments and ultimately facilitate patient access</p>

Where would EU-HTA come in?

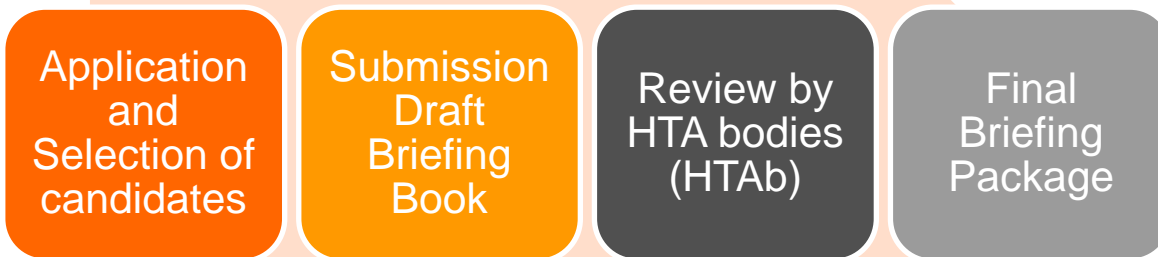
Joint Scientific Consultation (JSC)



Joint Clinical Assessment (JCA)



Briefing Book



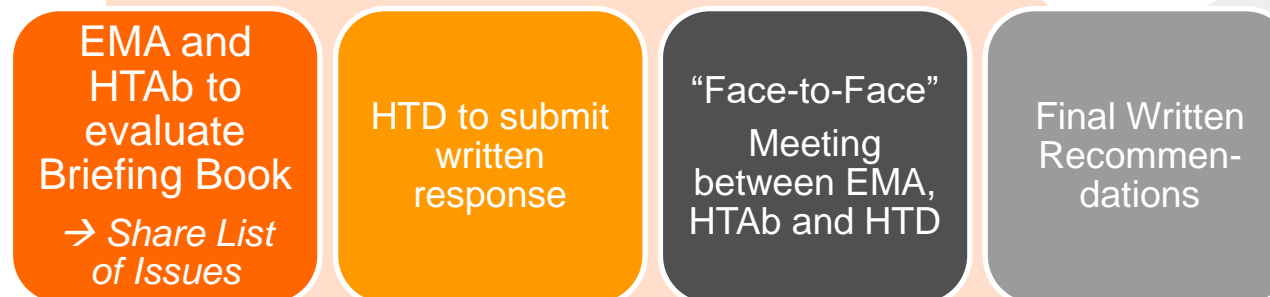
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JSC Recommendations



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Joint Clinical Assessment in EUnetHTA 21

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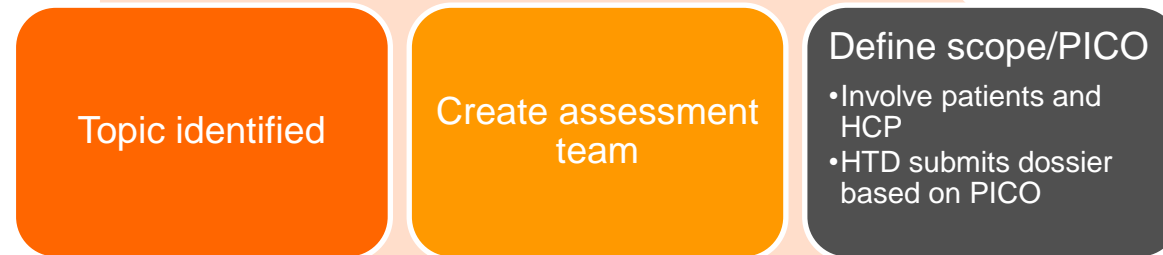
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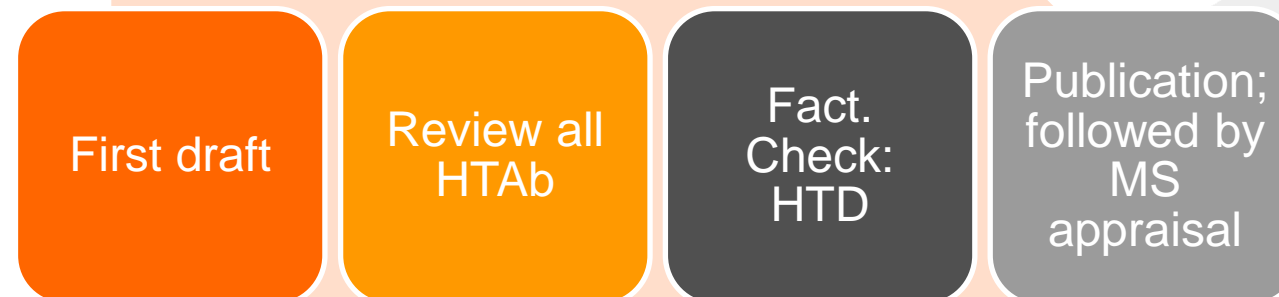
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Scoping phase



Assessment phase

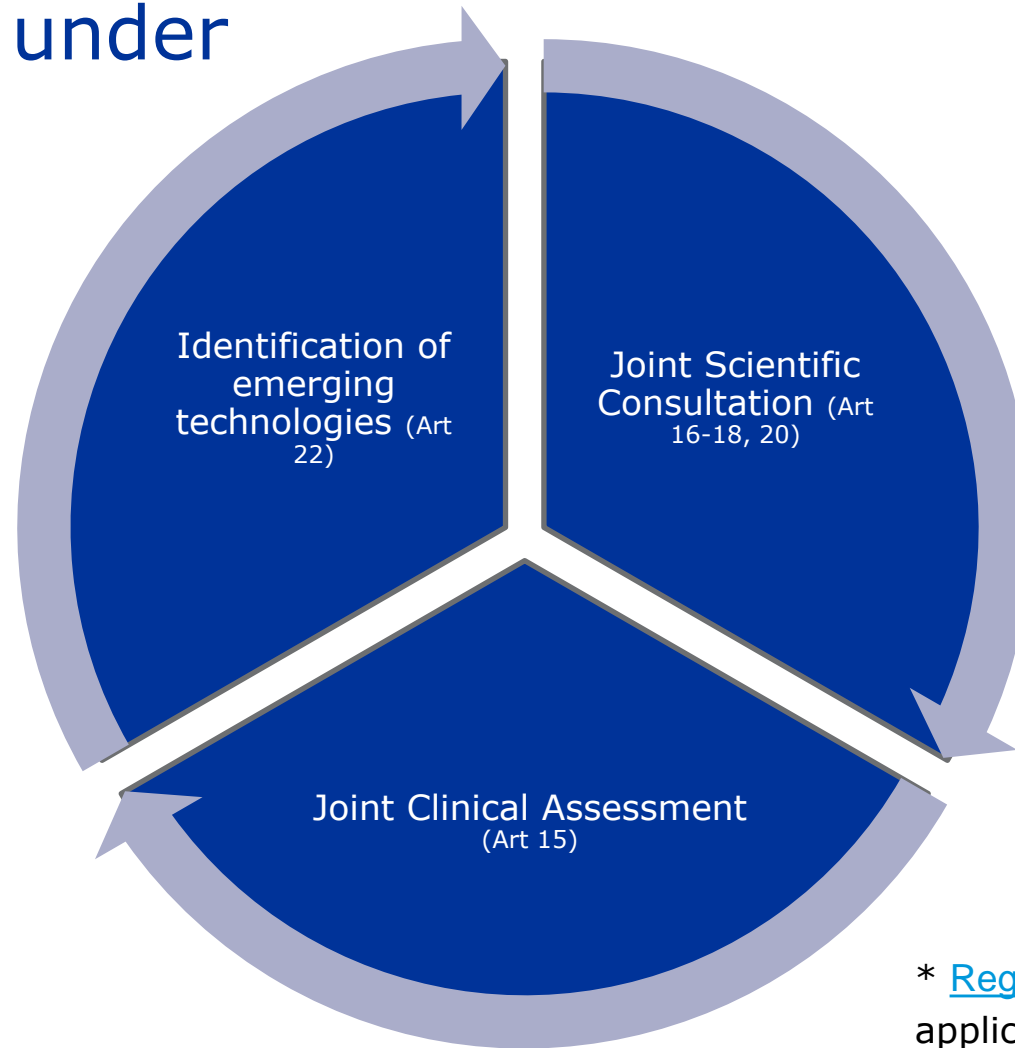


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Collaboration with EMA under the HTA Regulation*

Further details through
Implementing Acts

Transversal elements in the Regulation to facilitate such work, supported by the European Commission, include the sharing of confidential information



Note: "Joint" refers to collaborative work amongst HTA bodies

* [Regulation \(EU\) 2021/2282](#), applicable from January 2025

Contribution through the [joint EMA/EUnetHTA21 work plan](#)

Joint scientific consultation on evidence generation, including PLEG

Exchange of information on the respective assessments of medicinal products by regulators and HTA bodies

Continuous optimisation of regulatory outputs

Study methods and guidelines of real-world evidence, including for registries

Methodologies for engagement of patients and HCPs

Extrapolation / evidence transfer as tool to support assessment in smaller populations

Generation of patient relevant data / information to support decision making

Practices in the context of companion diagnostics

Horizon scanning and preparedness of HTA and regulatory systems

- Oversight through biannual EMA/EUnetHTA 21 bilaterals (most recent on 17th June 2022)
- In addition, exchange on selected EUnetHTA 21 deliverables