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Guidance on transitional measures for the Pharmacovigilance Legislation

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Outline

- Scope of the 'transitional' exercise
- Legislation on transitional periods
- Gap analysis
- Guidance
- Objectives



Scope of the 'transitional' exercise

- Transitional period foreseen in the legislation
- Gap analysis to identify additional transitional aspects
- To identify changes impacting on :
 - future MA applications
 - ongoing MA applications
 - existing MAsat the time of entry into force of the new legislation



Legislation

- Transitional periods set out for:
 - Pharmacovigilance System Master File (PSMF) for 'old' products:
 - at renewal or from 2/21 July 2015
 - Post-Authorisation Safety Study (PASS) being a condition to the marketing authorisation (MA)
 - For PASS to commence after 2/21 July 2012
 - Reporting of Adverse Drug Reactions until Eudravigilance is fully functional
 - Reporting to MSs and Agency until upgrade of Eudravigilance
 - PSUR submission until the repository is fully functional
 - To submit PSURs to all MSs until availability of the repository



Key-changes from the Gap analysis

- Renewal
 - Referral
 - RMP
 - Product Information (black symbol / HCP-patient reporting)
 - PhV System Master File (PSMF)
 - PASS being condition to the MA
 - PSUR
- New Requirements
 - Modifications of existing requirements
 - New procedures and decision making process



New Requirements

→ How to introduce ?

- Black symbol and statements in SmPC and PL for authorised products subject to additional monitoring
- Standard text encouraging HCPs and patients reporting in SmPC and PL for authorised products
- PSUR frequency as condition to the MA



Modification of existing requirements

- RMP → When to apply?
 - Systematic RMP and summary for MAs authorised after July 2012
 - New format and content
- PSMF on site and PSMF summary in the MA
 - PSMF summary for MAs authorised after July 2012
 - Introduction of PSMF summary for authorised products before renewal or July 2015
 - New format and content
- Renewal
 - New submission deadline (from 6 to 9 months before expiry of the MA)
 - Updated content of the renewal application



New procedures and decision making process

- Involvement of PRAC

→ 'old' versus 'new'
legal framework?

- Safety related referrals
- PSUR
- RMP
- PASS (condition to the MA) - for study to 'commence' after July 2012
(*'commence'* = start of data collection – *Impl. Measures*)

- New decision making process (binding)

For Referrals / PSUR / PASS

- CAP only -> CHMP / EC
- NAP only -> CMDh (by consensus) / EC (if no consensus)
- Mix CAP/NAP -> CHMP / EC

CAP: Centrally authorised products

NAP: Nationally authorised products



Development of transitional measures guidance

- A joint exercise between EC / EMA / MS
- Where to be published?
 - Implementing measures
 - Legal and operational guidance on transitional measures
 - will be published on EC/EMA/HMA websites



Objectives of the guidance

- To operate in a consistent and harmonised way the entry into force of the new legislation across the Member States, the Agency and MAHs/applicants
- To provide timely guidance to Marketing Authorisation Applicants / Holders





Thank you for your attention

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