# PDCO feedback

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## Opportunities and Challenges with Patient & Healthcare Professional Organizations:

Interaction in both cases it can be viewed as an additional burden in the process but the benefits are well received and understood, for this reason

PDCO appreciates the help and support that both groups provide in the Committee

- Provide an insight in the opportunities and challenges
- Feasibility challenges in performing CTs in Children

## Parent and Patient Organizations Contibution:

#### There are many areas that we work together

- general to specific cases
- benefit risk
- burden
- but also ethical issues For example the use of PLACEBO

#### We need to work together more on

- acceptability of CTs
- advocating the need of paediatric CTs with parents and patient organization
- willingness of families and children to participate in CTs and in the
- medicines development process
- **EDUCATION** is important.

We welcome the inclusion of young people in the processes of EMA in a safe and effective way

## Healthcare Professional Organizations Contibution:

#### **Provides the Commitee:**

- everyday experience of clinical practice
- much needed expertise, especially in the
- neonates, rare diseases etc
- BUT also this two-way interaction, promotes the benefits of having medicines tested and monitored via the controlled CTs pathway VS the uncontrolled off label use!
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## Feasibility of Trials:

Finally in this panel it is important to highlight the **challenges faced in paediatric medicines development** in EU and we need to discuss how to tackle:

- the low recruitment in EU and we need to discuss how to
- the fragmentation and discrepancies of Ethics Committees in paediatric Trials, that affects directly the feasibility of CTs in children and sometimes delays paediatric medicines development.

We need to work together to change minds and hearts and in this effort we should work with universities, with young doctors, young academics but also the various and fragmented EU Ethics Committees.

This is a place PCWP have a huge role to play in moderating the discussions and reaching out.

## THANK YOU!

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