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## EMA Training and training strategy

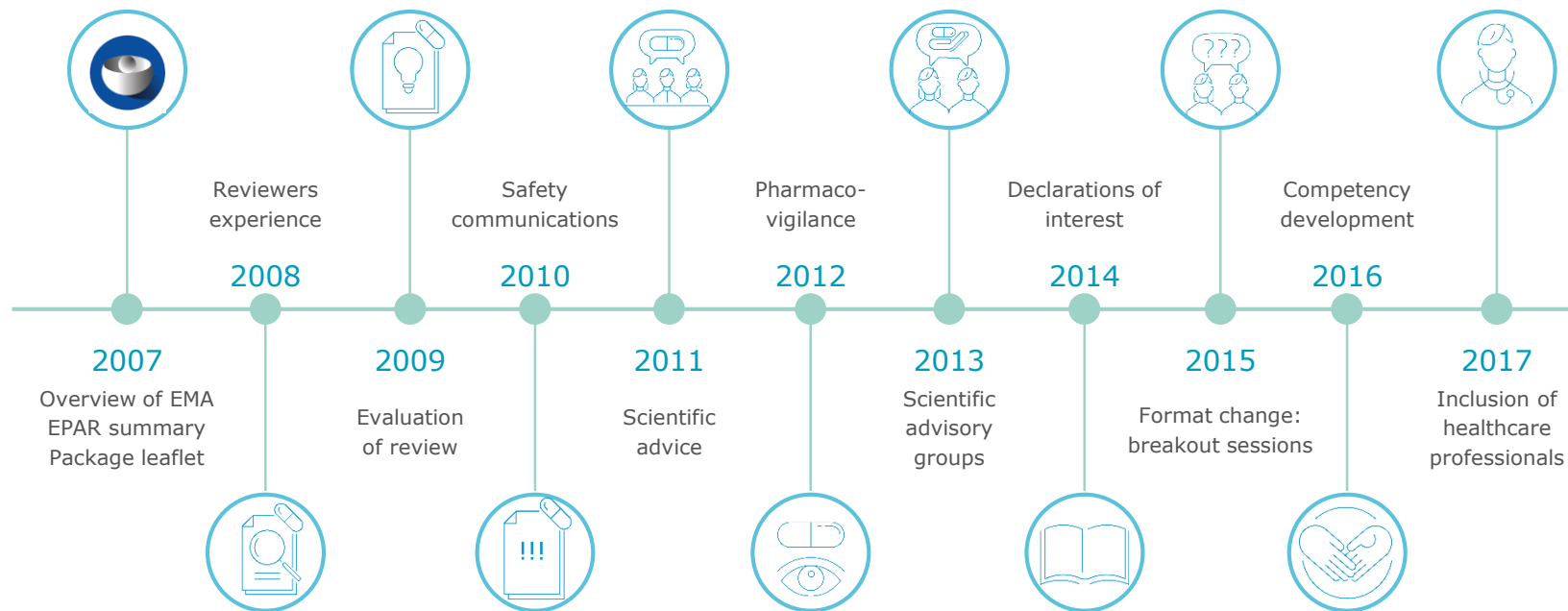
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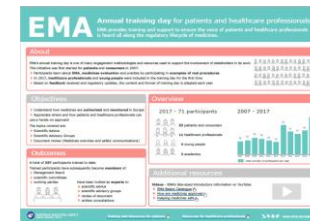


# Evolution of EMA training day





# EMA annual training day



## Objectives

- ▶ Understand how medicines are **authorised** and **monitored** in Europe
- ▶ Appreciate where and how patients and healthcare professionals can use a hands-on approach

The topics covered are:

- ▶ Scientific Advice
- ▶ Scientific Advisory Groups
- ▶ Document review (Medicines overview and safety communications)

## Outcomes

A total of **397** participants trained to date.

Trained participants have subsequently become **members** of:

- ▶ Management Board
- ▶ scientific committees
- ▶ working parties

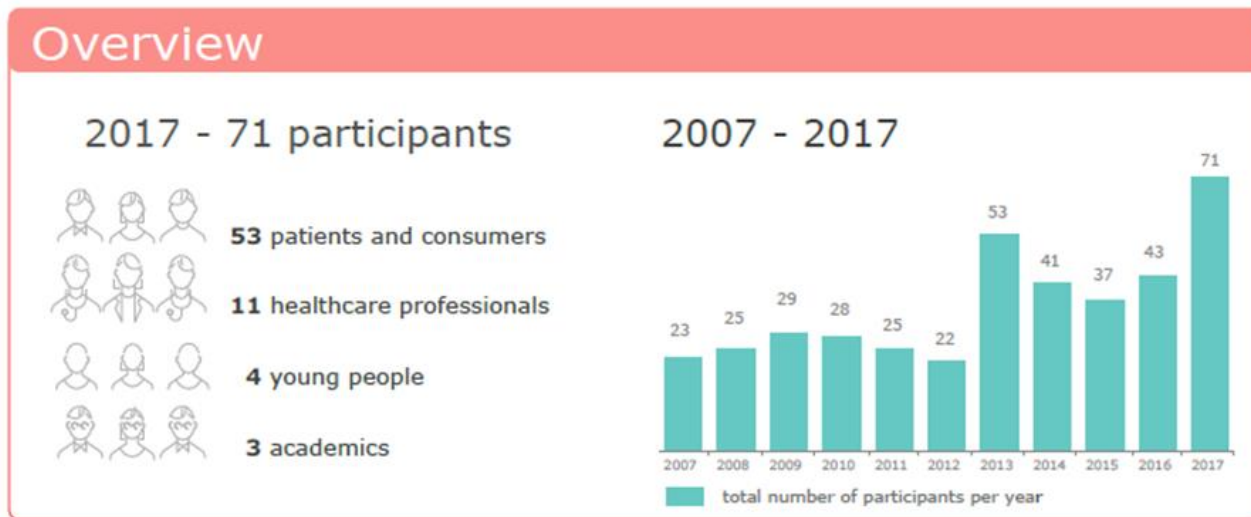
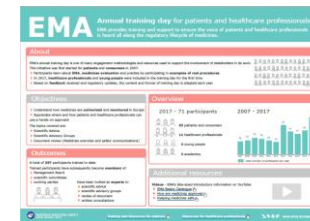


Have been invited as **experts** in:

- ▶ scientific advice
- ▶ scientific advisory groups
- ▶ review of document
- ▶ written consultations



# EMA annual training day



## Other training resources at EMA

Dedicated pages on EMA website for Resources and Training for patients and HCP

Links to:

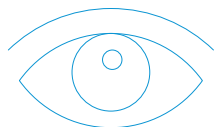
- Training documents
- Recent relevant workshops
- Videos of training days
- Short explanatory videos (EMABasics)
- External training initiatives (links)

## Future ideas for continued training

- Create more one page 'info sheets' on EMA activities
- Record more EMABasics
- Organise webinars on selected topics
- Investigate tools for creating on-line quizzes
- Create training for young people
- Explore adapted regulatory training for healthcare professionals

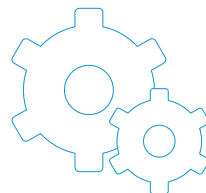


# Training strategy for patients – where we started



## Original objectives

- **Identify** patient/consumer training **requirements** for involvement in EMA activities
- **Define** a training **methodology** that delivers training packages in line with requirements
- **Construct an approach** that can be used by all while providing targeted material depending on specific activities
- **Define a continuous training** implementation plan, including frequency, priorities and monitoring



## Methodology

- Training delivered **face to face** on annual basis
- Materials for **ongoing training** developed – videos, leaflets, powerpoints..
- Face to face training moved to **competency-based** training



## Revised training strategy

- Review existing tools, identify gaps and determine resources needed
- Expand to healthcare professionals
- Involve stakeholders *early* to understand their training/resources needs



## Questions for your consideration [*from 2017*]

(bearing in mind that EMA is not a training institution)

1. Is there anything that would help you to better understand EMA activities where you could be involved?
2. What additional EMA topics would you like training on?
3. What format would you find most helpful to be informed of training?
4. What recommendations would you make for the available tools?
5. Are the training/resource materials useful within your organisation?



## Questions for discussion

- 🕒 Is a training strategy or training in general by EMA necessary?
- 🕒 What topics do you consider to be essential for the EMA training strategy?
- 🕒 How would you like to be trained (e.g. online, face to face)?
- 🕒 Who should deliver the training? (e.g. EMA staff, external experts, patients/healthcare professionals with experience in specific activities)?