

# Improving access to treatment in rare diseases

Expert Conference on Rare Diseases  
Towards a New European Policy Framework:  
*“Building the future together for rare diseases”*

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# How to Improve Access to Orphan Medicinal Products

- Increase Affordability
- Improve cost-effectiveness by improving the evidentiary base
- Improve awareness of disease, diagnostics and treatment
- Develop innovative and practicable payment models
- **Cooperation**
  - At the national level: among healthcare providers and payers responsible for in- and outpatient care
  - At the European level,
    - among member states, agencies and networks
- **At the European level among stakeholders**



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<http://www.eurordis.org/content/moca>

# MoCA is...

- ▶ A voluntary
- ▶ non-legislative,
- ▶ non-regulatory and
- ▶ non-binding collaboration
- ▶ among stakeholders who are willing to work together to provide **real** access to a **real** solution for **real** patients with real unmet medical needs
- ▶ Supported by...



# Potential and Realized Benefits of a Multi-Stakeholder Approach in Europe

COMPANIES	Regulators	PAYERS/HTA	PATIENTS
<b>Better insight needs and possibilities of other stakeholders</b>	<b>Insight into potential “downstream” problems</b>	<b>Better budget impact – predictability</b>	Quicker and broader availability of the product, Increased equity across Member States
<b>Increased predictability</b>	More efficient scientific advice	Better data for HTA	<b>Better understanding of needs and expectations</b>
	(if advice is taken into account)		
More effective data gathering	Facilitation of post-marketing evidence gathering	<b>Sharing of expertise with different stakeholders and Member States</b>	Better, coordinated follow-up and collection of PROs and real-life experiences

# Topics for Discussions at MoCA

- ▶ Epidemiology and population most likely to benefit
- ▶ How to measure performance?
  - ▶ At the time of marketing authorization?
  - ▶ Post-licensing?
- ▶ International cooperation/Cross-border issues?
- ▶ Is the price justified, fair and affordable?
- ▶ Who will pay?
  - ▶ Hospital budgets? Health insurance? Special funds?
- ▶ When?
- ▶ Practicability of payment models

# Technical Info on MoCA

- MoCA meetings are online since 2020. They are organized by MEDEV.
- Eurordis invites patient representatives to participate.
- There is no fee for companies.
- EMA and EUnetHTA are observers.
- MoCA stats 2013-2022:
  - 47 meetings
  - 17 companies/consortia
  - 20 Products
  - 20 payer-representing institutions that attended at least 1 meeting
- Contact for payer organisations: [www.medev-com.eu](http://www.medev-com.eu)
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