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Joint Health Technology Assessment in Europe: today and tomorrow

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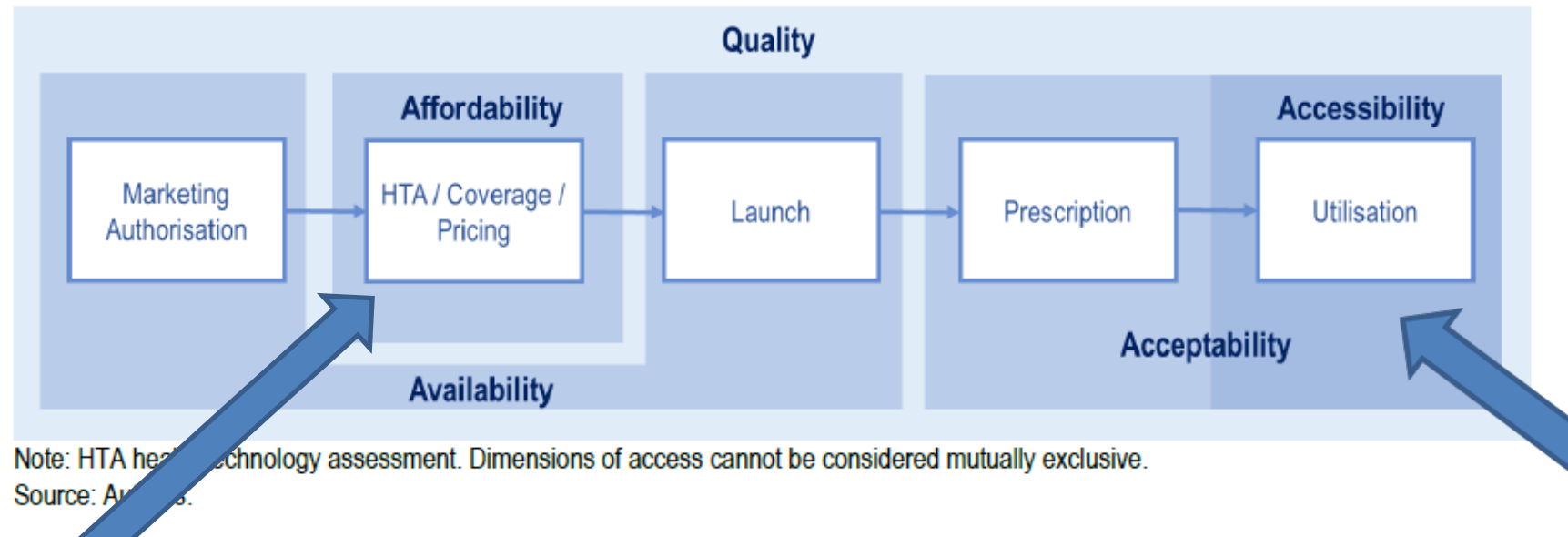
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Figure 1.2. Dimensions of access relative to the lifecycle of a medicine



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Until yesterday ...

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European

National
(subnational)

History Joint HTA work



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European agencies discuss relative effectiveness

The European Medicines Agency (EMA) is collaborating with the European network for Health Technology Assessment (EUNETHTA) to determine how it can contribute to assessments of relative effectiveness.

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HEADLINE NEWS

New EU HTA guideline tackles thorny issue of comparators

8 | July 13th 2012

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PILOTING INTERNATIONAL PRODUCTION OF RAPID RELATIVE EFFECTIVENESS ASSESSMENTS OF PHARMACEUTICALS

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(Legislative acts)

REGULATIONS

REGULATION (EU) 2021/2282 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL

of 15 December 2021

on health technology assessment and amending Directive 2011/24/EU

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,



MEMBER STATE COORDINATION GROUP ON HTA

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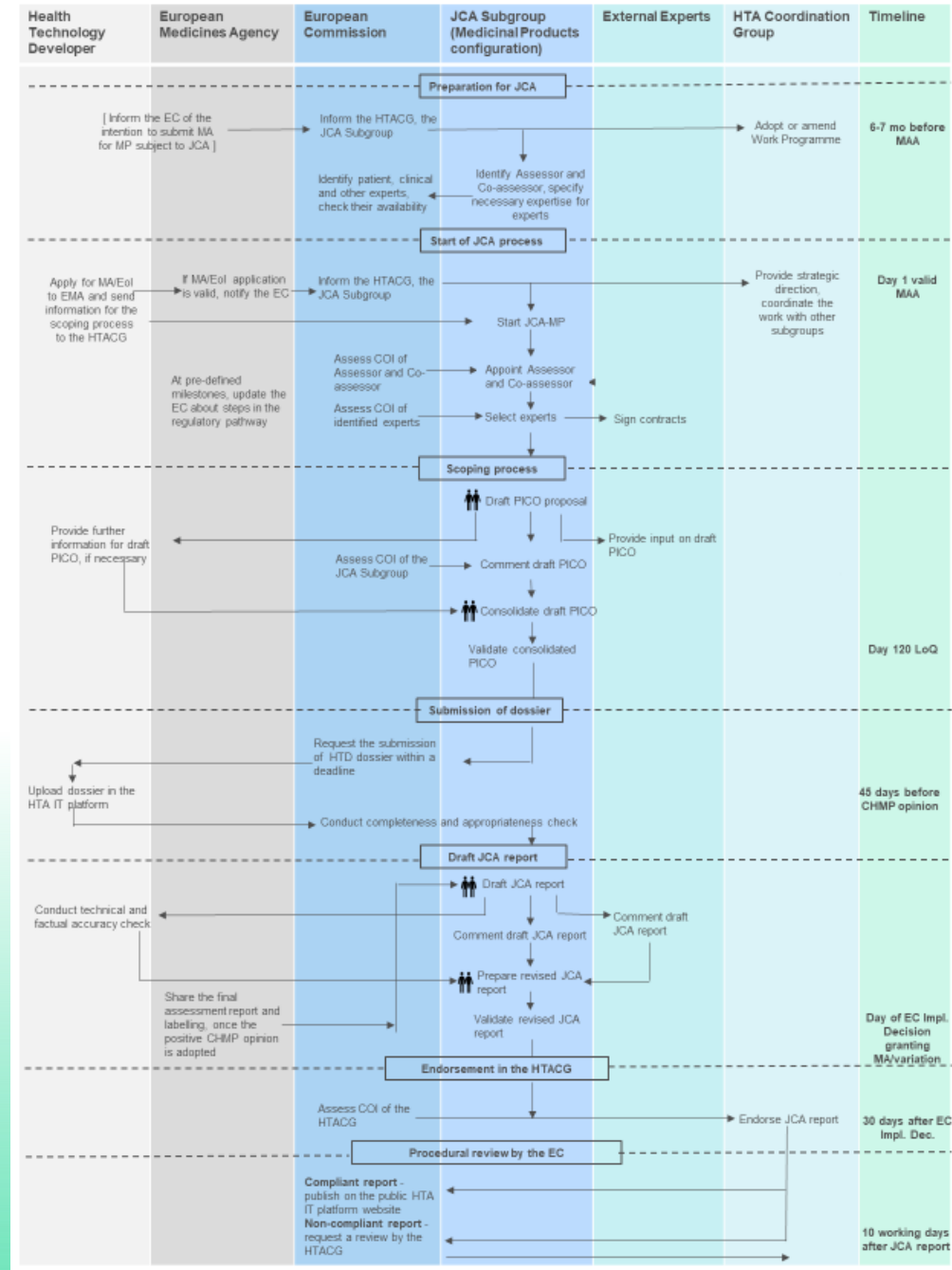
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Medicinal products are subject to JCA according to the following timeline:

- from 12 January 2025 onwards: medicinal products for which the applicant declares that the application contains a new active substance for which the therapeutic indication is the treatment of cancer and medicinal products which are regulated as advanced therapy medicinal products (ATMP),
- from 13 January 2028 onwards: medicinal products which are designated orphan medicinal products,
- from 13 January 2030 onwards: the remaining medicinal products not previously included.

JOINT CLINICAL ASSESSMENT



IN PARALLEL
WITH EMA

→ NATIONAL
ASSESSMENT
CTG-CRM



JCA process in parallel with EMA

406 days	Standard procedure
277 days	Accelerated procedure



Scoping before submission dossier (JCA)

P	Patient population
I	Intervention
C	Comparator
O	Outcome

Once the European report (JCA) is finished



2025 EUROPEAN HTA MEDICINES

What will be in the EU HTA-report ?

“description of the relative effects observed
for the health outcomes analysed,
Including numerical results and confidence intervals,
And an analysis of scientific uncertainty and
strengths and limitations of the evidence, e.g. internal and external validity.”

Once the European report (JCA) is finished



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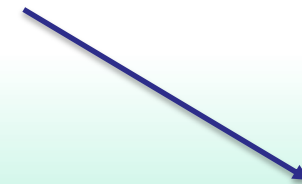
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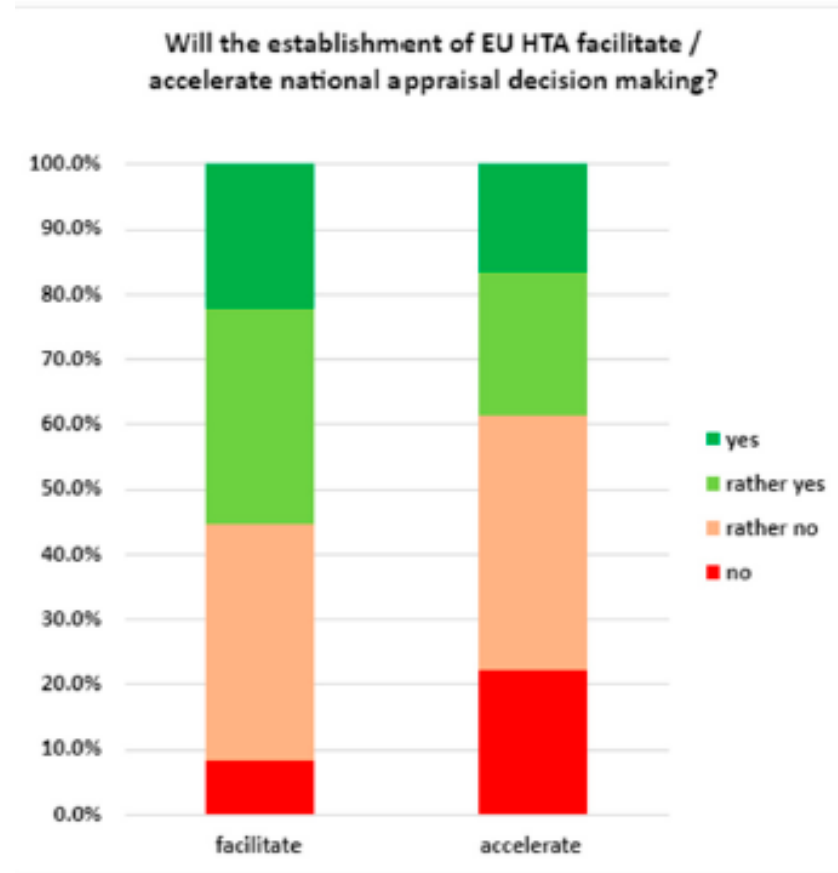
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Reactions 2025



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Joint Scientific Consultations

BJCP British Journal of Clinical
Pharmacology



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The impact of parallel regulatory–health technology assessment scientific advice on clinical development. Assessing the uptake of regulatory and health technology assessment recommendations



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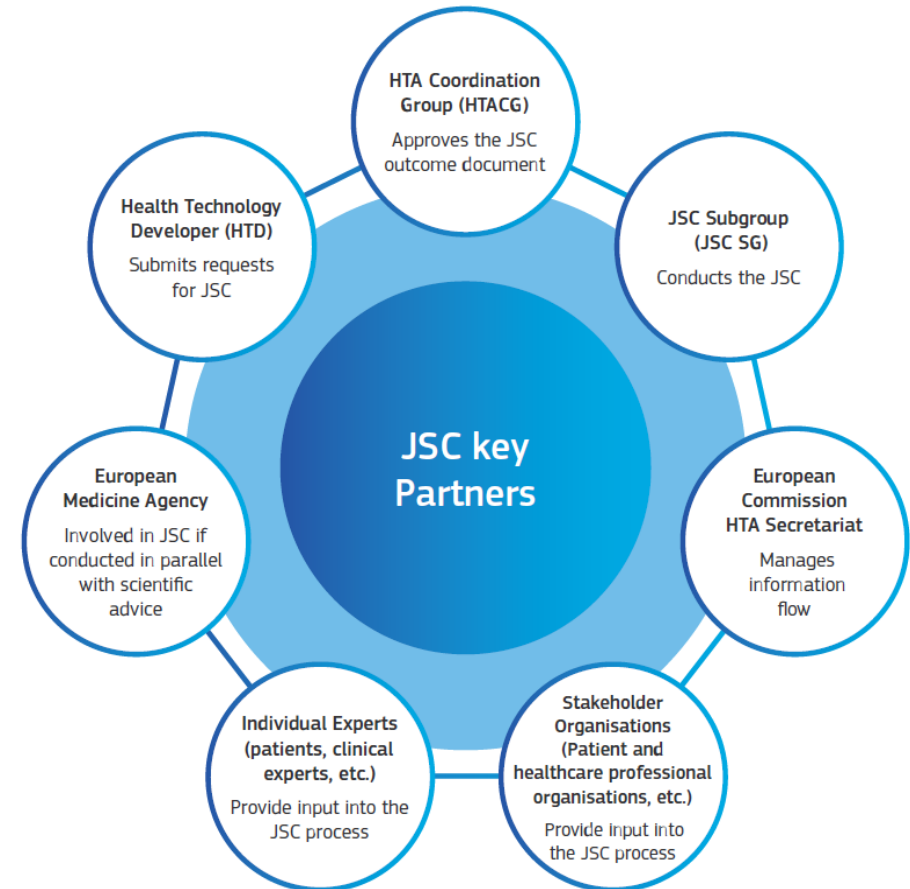
JOINT SCIENTIFIC CONSULTATION KEY PARTNERS

Before phase III study

3 periods/year

Joint HTA advice ± EMA CHMP scientific advice

JSC process 70 days + amended briefing pack 30 days



Conclusion

- **Joint HTA has started**
- **Long history track**
- **Shift from national assessment -> crossborder assessment**
- **Competent Pricing and Reimbursement authorities remain national**

