

Repurposing of medicines European Commission Expert Group on Safe and Timely Access to Medicines for Patients (STAMP)

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Repurposing Framework - Aim

 Aim to provide a visible supportive framework to not-for-profit stakeholders who have the data and scientific rationale for a new indication, and who have the aim to see this new use on-label



Key principles (1)

- Promotes a process for facilitating data generation in accordance with regulatory standards, described as voluntary steps within the existing regulatory framework
- Elements of the framework cover only one possible scenario, some key milestones are not regulatory activities
- Applicable to both EMA and NCA activities, and driven by 'Champions'



Key principles (2)

- A Champion is not a pharmaceutical company, is able to coordinate, transparent, files initial request for scientific advice, provides information to MAH
- Core components: new indication in areas of public health benefit / Union interests, valid out of protection marketing authorisation exists



Champion engagement with regulators

- Main tools are scientific and regulatory advice
- Scientific advice instrumental to discuss the data package in relation to regulatory requirements – current and future development plans
- Outcome of advice can be made available to marketing authorisation holders



Champion engagement with industry – before scientific advice

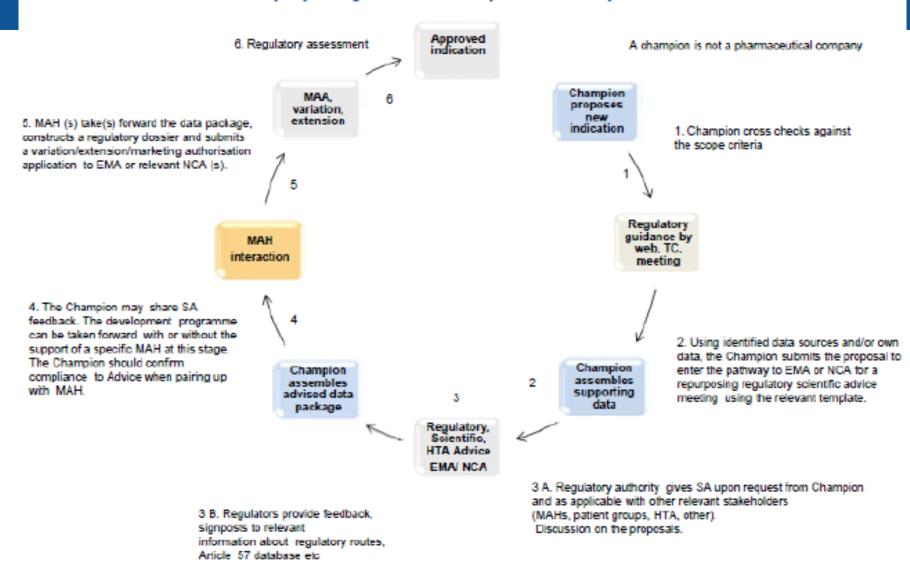
- Before the Champion seeks scientific advice in order to seek views or input
- Identification of marketing authorisation holder using the European Medicines Agency's Article 57 database
- Companies will be encouraged to create dedicated email addresses for repurposing queries
- Input may range from none to data sharing or even collaboration



Champion engagement with industry – after scientific advice

- After the Champion has sought scientific advice
 key engagement
- Champion to share output from scientific advice with marketing authorisation holders (MAH)
- MAH consider if interested in varying their marketing authorisation
- Champion to be ready to provide relevant information for regulatory submissions

Repurposing of MP's out of patent & data protection





Pilot to test framework

- assess whether the proposed framework is able to facilitate an application for a new indication for an unprotected off-patent medicinal product
- learn from the practical applications of candidates within the framework and build on the concepts identified



Repurposing Observatory Group – voluntary group led by Spain

- Objectives:
 - conclude on the practical aspects of the implementation
 - promote interaction
 - report on the challenges, successes and opportunities
 - make recommendations to facilitate the cooperation between parties
- Contact point for regulatory authorities and other stakeholders
- not involved in selecting Champions or medicines for the pilot nor any individual assessment or decision making role for the individual pilot projects



Next steps

- Repurposing Observatory Group
 - reach out to other groups
 - prepare supporting documentation (Q&A etc.)
 - dissemination plan
- Communication and start of pilot in Q4



Thank you

More information:

http://ec.europa.eu/health/documents/pharmaceutical-committee/stamp/index_en.htm