

integrating community is challenging, the engagement of patients/public in the processes of HTA has garnered support and endorsement from international network agencies. Dissemination of information, educational empowerment, and training are vital to give individuals capacity to partake in the intricate web of processes actively.

Methods: This review considered studies addressing educative strategies to train laypeople on HTA, additionally mapping and summarizing relevant methodological papers from any international HTA agency. Four databases were searched for qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods study designs. The grey literature search included policy and practice documents from HTA and health organization websites. Two reviewers independently completed title and abstract screening before the full-text review and data extraction.

Results: The main contributors to the production of knowledge about educating laypeople in HTA were the United Kingdom (40%), Spain (20%), and Canada (13%). Most studies included were conducted in the context of the United Kingdom (27%), followed by Spain (20%), and international networks context (20%). The main strategies included conference-like events (21%), the production of educational materials (18%), training (11%), and the use of plain language (8%). Furthermore, international HTA and health agencies have offered courses, and online training produced and made available online guidance materials for increasing laypeople's participation in the HTA process.

Conclusions: Despite the global efforts to educate laypeople on HTA, jurisdictional variations underscore the need for a more inclusive approach. Strategies like events, educational material production, training, and clear-language use offer diverse avenues for public engagement. International agencies' commitment to courses, online training, and guidance reflects a collective effort to enhance public involvement.

OP52 How Will European Joint Clinical Assessment Impact National Decision-Making?

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Introduction: In 2025, oncology drugs with new active substances and advanced therapy medicinal products will undergo joint clinical assessment (JCA). The comparative analysis of the clinical evidence as defined in the Regulation (EU) 2021/2282 on health technology assessment (HTAR) will save national/regional submissions of the same evidence. JCA will be available early supporting appraisal and decision-making, which remains within the responsibility of member states (MS).

Methods: Targeted searches on JCA and statements from stakeholders were performed and analyzed. We conducted interviews with current and former national payers, as well as members of HTA agencies, across Germany, France, Italy, and Eastern Europe to explore their perspectives on the anticipated implications of JCA on decision-making processes and reimbursement strategies in Europe. Focus was on reduced/additional effort for authorities and health

technology developers (HTDs), required national amendments, and potential discrepancies between JCA outcome and MS benefit evaluations.

Results: Stakeholders appreciate the standardized methodology and guidance on HTA, which, especially in countries without an established HTA system, could enhance patients' access to new treatments by considering JCA in decision-making. The comprehensive evidence compilation may also save resources in pursuing national/regional submissions. On the other hand, country-based appraisals within the MS could lead to diverse conclusions, and there is uncertainty as to which extent national authorities will adopt JCA and how its integration into decision-making will be handled. Some stakeholders challenge an impact on local patients' access as reimbursement and pricing processes remain within MS responsibility.

Conclusions: JCA is a long-desired achievement and will set the groundwork for timely access of new treatments in the MS. However, presently there are several uncertainties on how JCA will impact decision-making and whether MS appraisal could lead to contradictory value conclusions for a given treatment. Future adjustments to national/regional procedures and refinement of the JCA framework are expected.

OP53 An Actionable And Legible Toolbox For The Appraisal Of Healthcare Innovations Developed Through Nationwide Stakeholder Collaboration

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Introduction: In Québec, Canada, decisions about implementing innovations are taken both centrally for province-wide access and locally by healthcare institutions. There is no systematic evaluation process and various stakeholders are involved, notably within a new nationwide governance structure. There was a wish to increase consistency and clarity with the principles and methods used by various bodies across the innovation lifecycle.

Methods: The starting point was the Institut national d'excellence en santé et services sociaux (INESSS) multidimensional framework, which focuses on the population-level, clinical, economic, organizational, and sociocultural value of drugs, technologies, and interventions. The framework, already under evolution drawing on Responsible Innovation in Health (RIH), evolved through collaborative work between INESSS' methodological and scientific teams, but also and foremost with diverse groups and institutions within the provincial innovation ecosystem (e.g., university-based incubators, regional hospitals). The first steps were to capture current concepts and practices from different stakeholders, as well as their operational needs in terms of assessment tools.