



**PLAN FOR
DEMONSTRATING VALUE
IN HEALTH CARE**

**MEDICINAL PRODUCTS:
NEW SCIENTIFIC ADVICE
PROCEDURE FRANCE**

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WHAT DOES 'NEW' LOOK LIKE?

In April 2020 the Haute Autorité de Santé (HAS) has set out new requirements on which medicinal products can seek scientific advice. Make sure you meet them!

Topline

- **Standard and accelerated advice** procedures will be available
- HAS answers medical and medico-economic questions regarding **draft protocols for pivotal studies (generally phase III trials)** in accordance with HTA methods and current clinical guidelines.
- If HAS has participated in an early dialogue in collaboration with other European HTA agencies and/or in parallel with the EMA, the procedure **will not be duplicated on a national level.**
- Confidential and non-binding for HAS and the manufacturer.
- **HAS can consult experts and patients** in preparing its response to questions included in the scientific advice.
- Discussions and documents submitted during these national early dialogues **can be in English**, at the request of the pharmaceutical company seeking the early dialogue

Eligibility

Only scientific advice requests meeting the eligibility criteria defined in the Article L. 161-37 11° of the CSS will be accepted, i.e., requests submitted by a pharmaceutical company concerning:

- **a medicinal product with a new mechanism of action in the disease, and**
- **targeting an indication for which there is an unmet or insufficiently covered need, and**
- **when the early dialogue can be finalised before the start of the pivotal clinical trials**

CSS: CODE DE LA SÉCURITÉ SOCIALE (FRENCH SOCIAL SECURITY CODE)

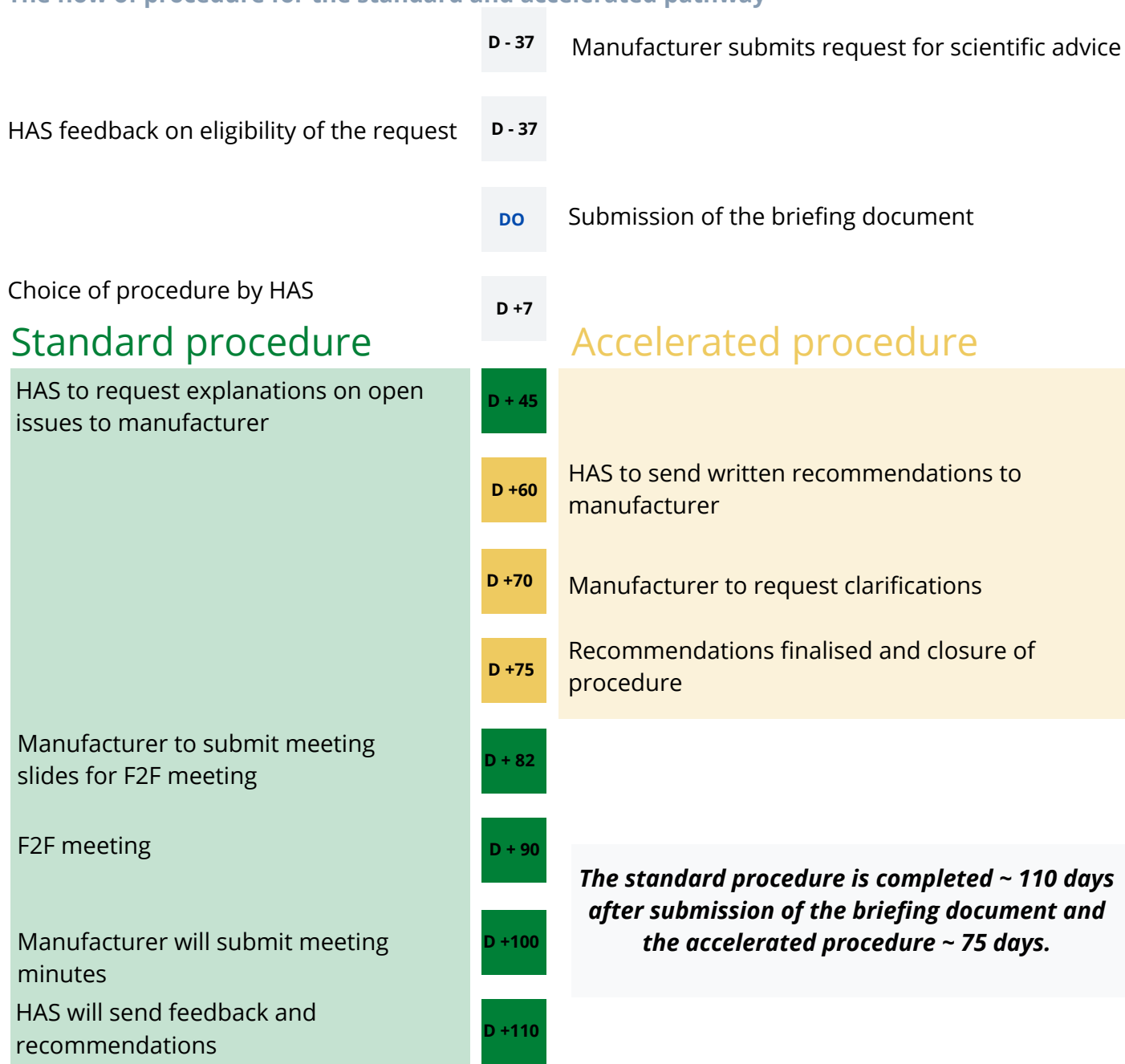
Balance needs against requirements:

Evaluate meeting the eligibility criteria; the request concerns the planning for a Phase III trial; appraise seeking either EU multi HTA or EMA/HTA advice or national advice.

THE PROCESS

Seven days after submission of the briefing document HAS will inform the manufacturer if the scientific advice procedure is *standard* or *accelerated*. When making the decision HAS will consider the briefing document, the degree of knowledge and complexity of the disease and the clinical development proposed.

The flow of procedure for the standard and accelerated pathway



PREPARE THE BRIEF

If the request for scientific advice is decided by HAS as eligible, the manufacturer has 30 days to submit the required briefing documents using the SESAME platform.

SESAME:HAS ONLINE PLATFORM [HTTPS://SESAME.HAS-SANTE.FR/PORTAIL/](https://sesame.has-sante.fr/portail/)

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The briefing document should include:

- description of the disease,
- medical need,
- target indication,
- early development data,
- planned pivotal development,
- planned post-launch evidence generation (if applicable) and whether a French or European registry has already been identified.

The briefing document should also include the questions (maximum of 10 questions) HAS should address during the scientific advice. Each question should be followed by a corresponding, separate Company's position including a comprehensive justification of the chosen approach.

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More explanations - request separate document on briefing book content HAS France

STANDARD PROCEDURE PREPARE THE MEETING

45 days before the meeting

HAS will send the manufacturer a list of issues to be addressed during the face-to-face meeting.

Meeting presentation

Discussions during face-to-face meeting will be structured around a PowerPoint presentation prepared by the manufacturer. This presentation, along with the list of participants, should be sent to HAS via the SESAME platform at least 8 days before the date of the meeting. The presentation should focus on the list of issues send by HAS. The clinical background and the mechanism of action of the medicinal product should not be presented, if no issues are raised by HAS on these topics.

The two hour face to face meeting

The meeting takes place on HAS premises on the date pre-specified in the early dialogue calendar. HAS will inform the manufacturer who from HAS will attend the meeting. The meeting is preferred face to face, but tele/video conference can be considered.

After the meeting

The manufacturer is responsible for the meeting minutes and should send the draft minutes to HAS within 10 days after the meeting. Meeting minutes will not be published. HAS will provide final recommendations in response to the questions raised by the manufacturer 20 days after the face-to-face meeting. If one or several patients were consulted by the HAS, the minutes of this consultation will be appended to the final recommendations (pending prior agreement from patient[s]).

ACCELERATED PROCEDURE

75 days in total

This procedure concludes 75 days following submission of the briefing document and does not include a face-to-face meeting.

2 months after submission of the briefing document

In response to the submitted questions HAS will share with the manufacturer draft written recommendations. The manufacturer has 10 days to submit requests for clarifications. HAS will share final recommendations and close the procedure. IF HAS has consulted patients, the minutes of the consultations will be included in the final recommendations (pending prior agreement from the patient[s])




APPOINTMENTS

Appointments will be provided along a prescheduled calendar for the standard and accelerated procedures

The timelines, including the date of the face-to-face meeting, depend on the submission date.

Standard procedure

Timelines for national early dialogues on medicinal products

PROCÉDURE STANDARD STANDARD PROCEDURE								
Demande de RP déposée avant le ED request submitted by	Détermination de l'éligibilité Feedback on eligibility	Soumission du briefing document Briefing document submission	Détermination de la procédure Choice of procedure by HAS	Envoi de la liste de sujets List of issues sent	Envoi de la présentation pour le rendez-vous face-à-face Face-to-face meeting slides sent	Rendez-vous face-à-face Face-to-face meeting	Envoi des minutes Meeting minutes sent	Envoi des réponses écrites finales Final recommendations sent
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Accelerated procedure

Calendrier des rencontres précoces nationales pour les médicaments en cours de développement clinique
Timelines for national early dialogues on medicinal products

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SOURCES

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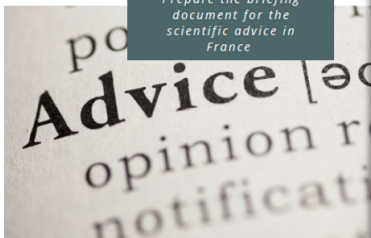
1. New process for early dialogues - medicinal products
https://www.has-sante.fr/jcms/c_1625763/fr/deposer-une-demande-de-rencontre-precoce

GLOSSARY

- HAS - Haute Autorité de Santé - High Commission for Health
- CT - Commission de la Transparence - Transparency Commission
- CEESP - Commission Évaluation Économique et de Santé Publique - Commission for Economic Evaluation and Public Health

YOU MAY ALSO WANT TO CONSIDER.....

Prepare the briefing document for the scientific advice in France



PREPARING THE BRIEFING DOCUMENT: FOCUS ON THE OBJECTIVE

In April 2020 the Haute Autorité de Santé has outlined new requirements for scientific advice for medicinal products

France

GENERAL OUTLINE OF THE BRIEFING DOCUMENT AND ANNEX

When drafting the briefing document for scientific advice, it is recommended to follow the structure described below:

- I. Table of contents
- II. Lists of figures and tables
- III. List of abbreviations

1. Presentation of the target disease
 - a. Aetiology, epidemiology and disease symptoms and burden
 - b. Current care pathway
 - c. Other medicinal products undergoing development in this disease (including compassionate use programmes)
2. Presentation of the medicinal product undergoing clinical development
 - a. Mechanism of action
 - b. Summary of ongoing or completed clinical studies
 - c. Study protocol that is the subject of the early dialogue (inclusion and exclusion criteria, endpoints, patient reported outcomes, sample size estimation, statistical analyses, etc.)
 - d. Choice of PROs or PRO measures (PROMs)
3. Presentation of the envisaged medico-economic assessment (optional)
4. Pharmaceutical company questions for the HAS
 - a. Questions related to the population included in the clinical trial and its generalisability with respect to the claimed indication
 - b. Questions related to the clinical trial comparator and/or other clinically relevant comparator(s)
 - c. Questions related to primary and secondary endpoints (including PROs)
 - d. Questions related to the design of the clinical trial and/or the statistical analysis
 - e. Questions related to the data collection envisaged after the MA is granted (optional)
 - f. Questions related to the medico-economic assessment (optional)
 - g. Other questions (optional)

Each question must be followed by a corresponding, separate position statement from the manufacturer including a comprehensive justification of the chosen approach. The manufacturers position regarding PROs must include a review of the literature relating to existing PROs in the target indication, along with justification of the appropriateness of the questionnaire(s) chosen and the frequency of collection of these data.

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