



Cancer Patients' Role in HTA

An International Perspective
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Key Messages

- To HTA Agencies: “If you’re not engaging patients, you’re not doing HTA!”
- To Industry: “If you are not improving patient relevant outcomes, your chances for successful reimbursement are diminished!”

Source: Dr. Brian O’Rourke, CADTH President and CEO; CTO Conference, October 2016



COI Disclosure

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LIFE	Kidney Cancer
1960	
	1974 Surgery
1987	
1989	
1992	
	1996 Surgery x 2
	1999 Surgery
	2004 Surgery
	2006 Nexavar
	2007 Surgery
	2009 cMET trial U.S.
	2015 SBRT
	2015 Exome Sequenced; RNA ...
	2017 ?



What Patient Input is NOT:

- Mediated via clinicians, other health system “experts”
- Public/citizen/taxpayer representation
 - Bias of the well vs. reality of those directly affected
- Tokenism... single patient representation on committees.



What Patient Input IS:

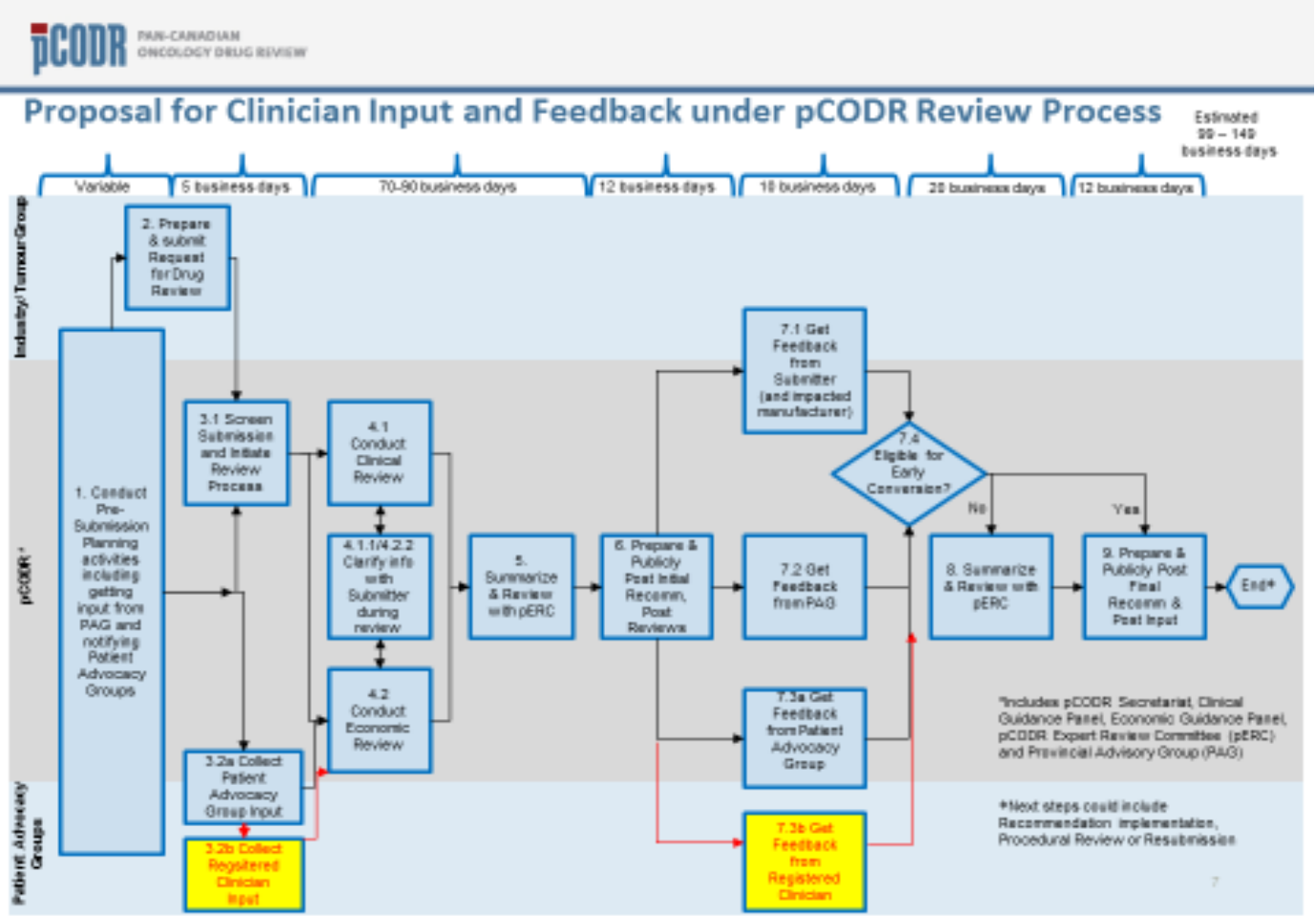
Based upon HTAi Value Standards :

- **Relevance**
 - Patients have knowledge, perspectives and experiences that are unique and contribute to essential evidence for HTA.
- **Fairness**
 - Patients have the same rights to contribute to the HTA process as other stakeholders and have access to processes that enable effective engagement.
- **Equity**
 - Patient involvement in HTA contributes to equity by seeking to understand the diverse needs of patients with a particular health issue, balanced against the requirements of a health system that seeks to distribute resources fairly among all users.
- **Legitimacy**
 - Patient involvement facilitates those affected by the HTA recommendations/decision to participate in the HTA; contributing to the transparency, accountability and credibility of the decision-making process.
- **Capacity building**
 - Patient involvement processes address barriers to involving patients in HTA and build capacity for patients and HTA organizations to work together.

Source: HTAi.org Patient & Citizen Involvement Working Group



Integrated (pCODR - Canada)

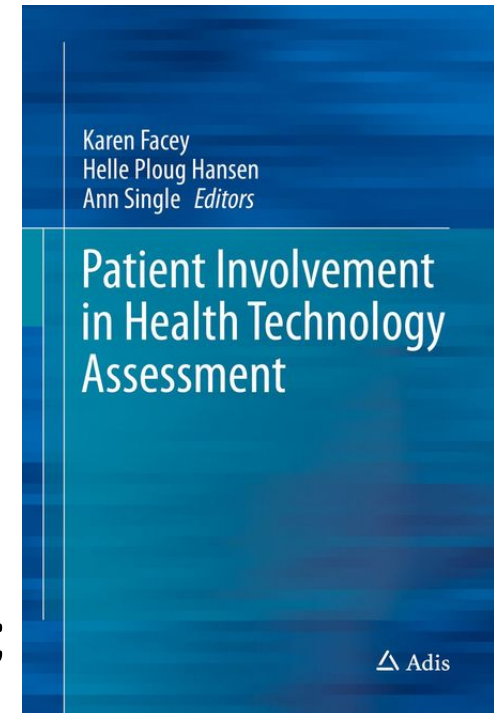


Recent: Request for Advice (RFA)

- pCODR issued RFA to registered stakeholders
- New data on “drug A” vs “drug B” in 2nd line
- Patient group response:
 - Accessed RWE database of 9,000+ patients
 - Data extract demonstrated equivalency of outcomes
 - Led to change in listing/criteria.

Best Practices Internationally

- SMC – patient representatives at the deliberation table
- NICE – patient reps involved in early scientific advice
- CADTH – feedback to patient groups
- PBAC – consumer representation; managed entry; RWE

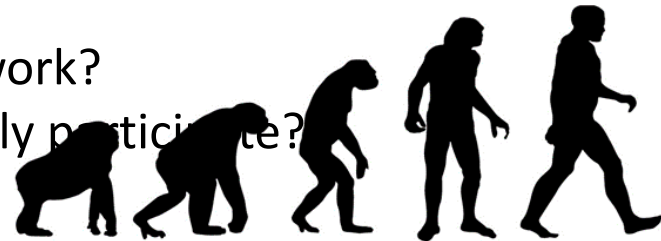




Where are we going?

Experienced patient groups:

- From “template submission” to interactive dialogue
- From end of process to beginning of discussions
 - Early scientific dialogue; clinical trial design
 - Design of relevant PRO measures
- Patient groups: “Be careful what you ask for...”
 - Significant work involved
 - Resource/ funding for this work?
 - Can all patient groups equally participate?



Experience with 'Patient Experience'

- pCODR Patient Evidence Process
 - Significant amount of work for patient orgs
 - Online survey, then 100+ hours per submission
 - pCODR expects input to be:
 - Current, Canadian^{*}, Specific to new molecule
 - Also: rural/urban, pan-Canadian, online/offline, representative of socio-economic spectrum, indigenous/northern, balanced +ve/-ve, ...
 - Techniques suggested:
 - Online surveys, but also: focus groups, IDIs (one on one interviews), telephone interviews, outreach to HCPs.
 - Reality...



Issues: what keeps us up at night?

- Are we wasting our time on “low level evidence”
 - Ethical dilemma of surveying patients
- Funding from industry / COI
 - Can we say “not this drug, not yet...”?
- What if we just stopped participating?
 - Would recommendations/decisions be any different?





Can we be smarter about this?

- Global collaboration:
 - Collaborate with other organizations nationally?
 - Same mutation/same drug/issues
 - Collaborate with HTA agencies at national/regional level
 - What is our Opinion?
 - How can we work together?
 - Collaborate internationally
 - Towards a “Global Patient Evidence Submission”



Radical thoughts

1. Given limited patient advocate resources:
 - Where would you spend YOUR time?
 - Working with trial data after the fact?
 - Poorly designed trials; wastage; duplication
 - Lack of PROs, QoL data, value
 - Historical control arm; no longer relevant
 - OR
 - Early involvement in drug development process?

Radical thoughts

2. What if we agreed:

“No data collection = no drug”. Period.

Outcomes matter

- Clinical trial and/or
 - Registry
 - Managed entry program
- With:
- Patient-reported outcomes beyond “EQ-5D” ...

Radical thoughts

3. How do we measure success together?

Do we value?

- Cost containment
- Transparency
- Patient & public engagement
- Acceptance if not agreement?

“What kind of society do we want to live in?”



Thank you

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