

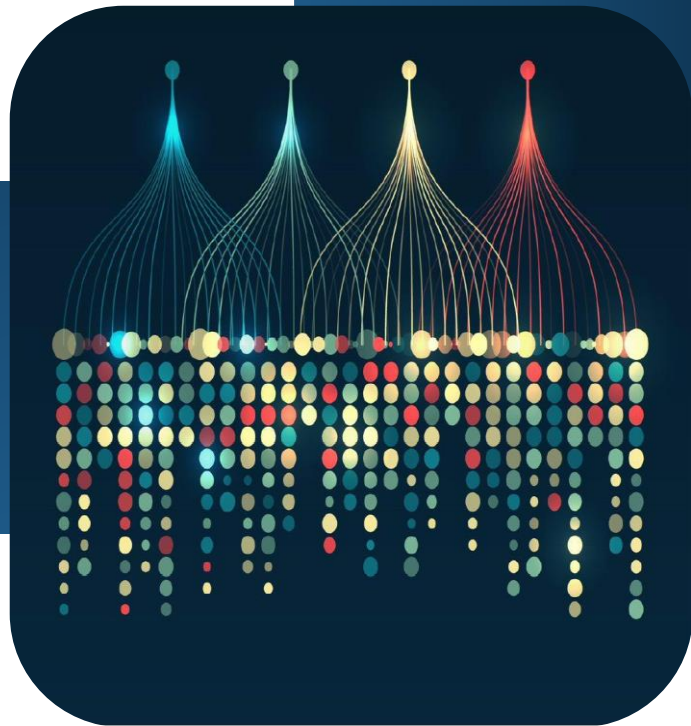


2024 November ESIG Meeting

Current implementation/utilisation of different  
collaboration models within and across  
Regulators and HTA agencies:  
*Feedback from CIRS workshop and research  
projects*

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# Agenda



**Introduction to CIRS**

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**Collaborative working model workshop**

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**Research to monitor the collaborative approach**

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**Discussion**

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# CIRS is an experienced convening organization with a global remit

## Mission

To identify and apply scientific principles for the purpose of advancing regulatory and health technology assessment (HTA) policies and processes in developing and facilitating access to pharmaceutical products

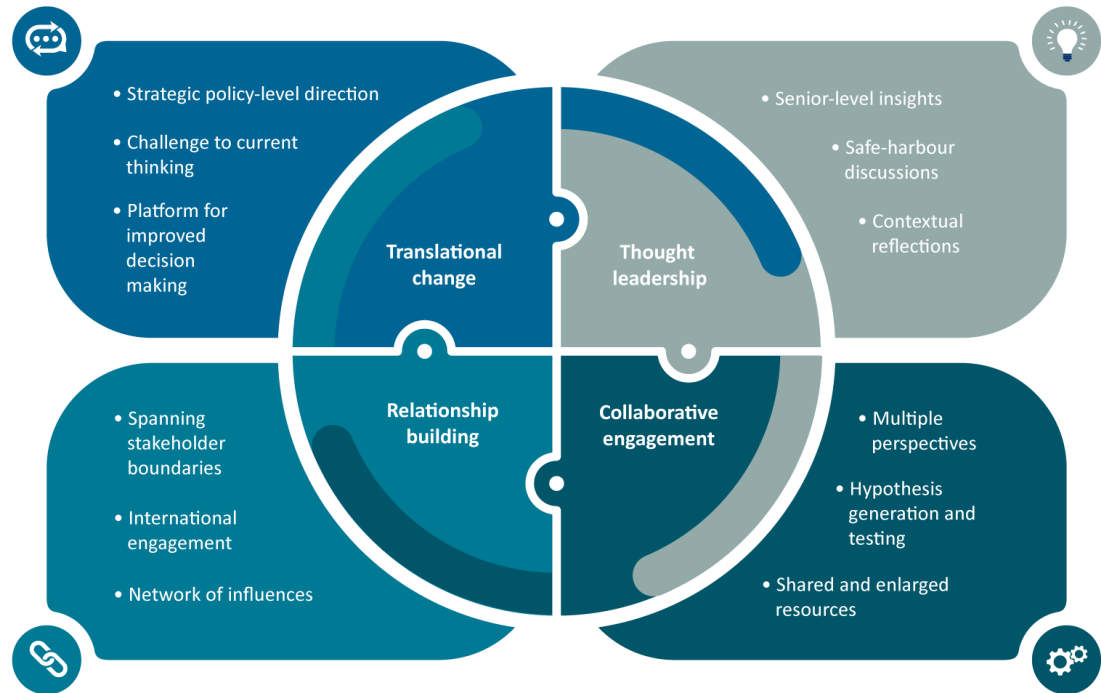
35+ yrs experience in bringing **global** industry, regulators, HTA bodies, payers, academics and others together in a **neutral** atmosphere to identify and address key issues in the development, licensing and reimbursement of medicines.

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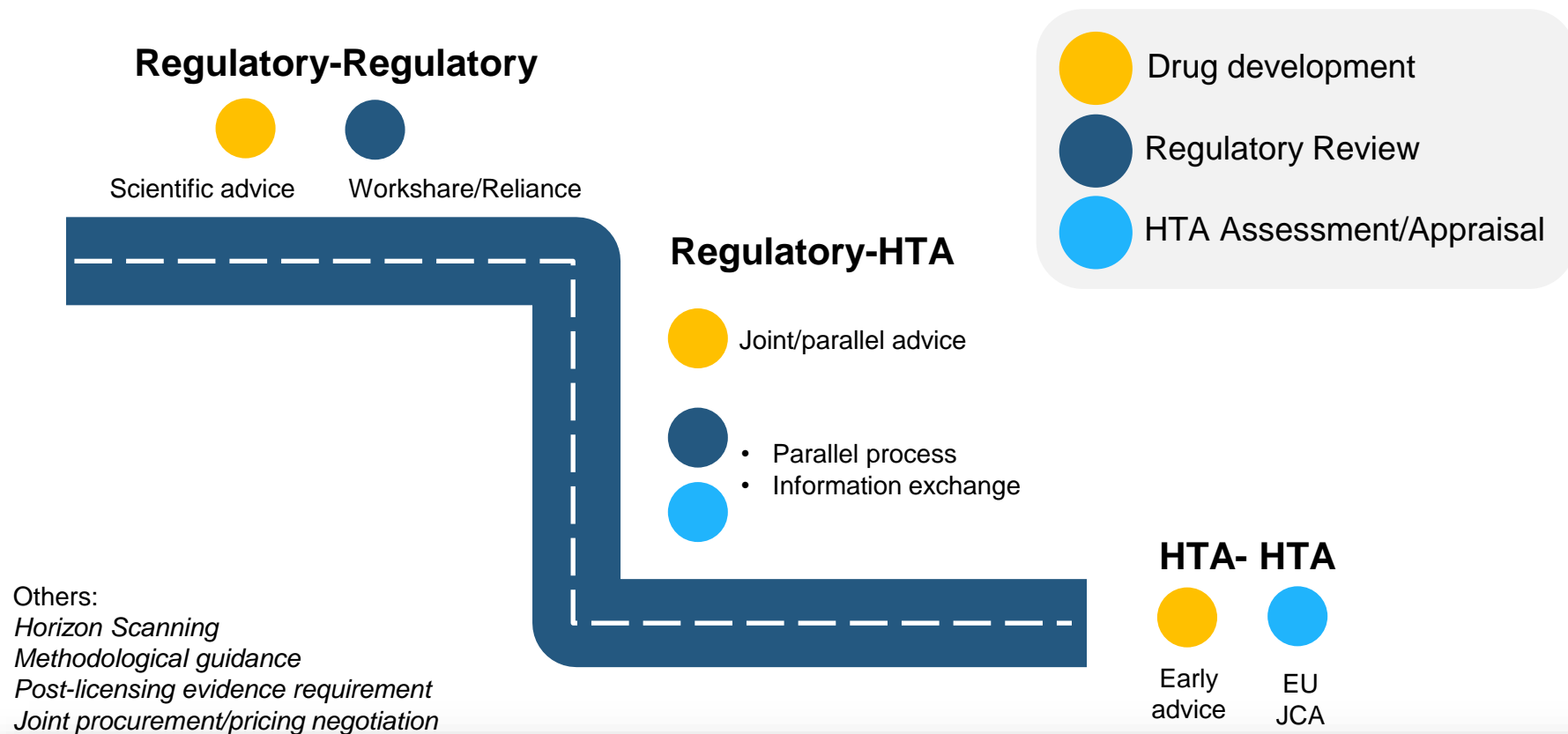
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# How do stakeholders work with CIRS?

- Participate/Present at CIRS multi-stakeholder workshops
  - CIRS Scientific advisory council/ HTA steering committee
  - Insight seminar/ educational webinar
  - Participate in research projects
- Focus study/opinion survey
- Benchmarking/ Metric project
- Commission Special project



# Dimensions of Stakeholder Collaboration Across the Medicine Lifecycle



# Types of Models of regulatory collaboration

Regulators conduct independent evaluation

Standard Process

Regulators conduct parallel collaborative evaluation and share information

Parallel Collaborative

PROJECT ORBIS

(2019)

Regulators divide review of safety quality efficacy modules:

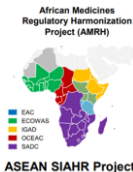
Workshare



(2007)

Centralised Evaluation Conducted for a group of countries/region

Regional Reliance - Joint Assessment



Centralised Procedures



Country A relies on Reference Agency Assessment(s)

Unilateral Reliance

Examples:  
verification/abridged year of adoption

Singapore (1987)

Egypt: Nov 2016

Jordan: Feb 2017

Brazil (Bio): (2018)

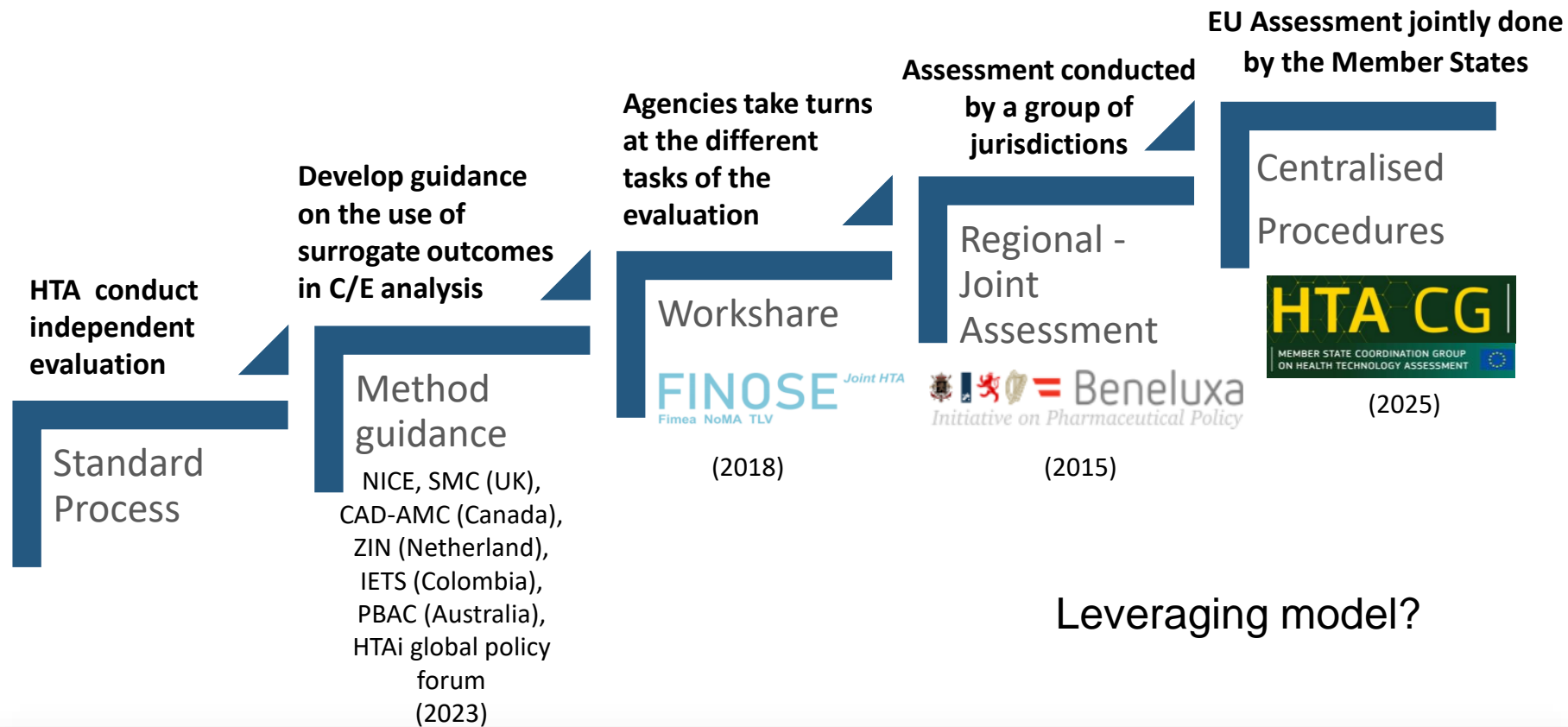
Thailand (2015)

Malaysia (2019)

Australia (2018)

UK (2024)

# Types of Models of HTA collaboration



# Key learnings from presentations and open floor discussions

## Reg-Reg

- Regulatory convergence has enabled collaboration
- Much can be learned from the EMA
- Access and Project Orbis are accelerating regulatory timelines, but could go further
- Strong leadership and trust can support mindset change

## HTA-HTA

- HTA-HTA collaborations are less mature than regulatory-regulatory collaborations
- Joint development takes time /Mandatory collaboration at the EU level
- International collaboration is especially important for emerging HTA agencies
- Leveraging the work of other HTA agencies

## Reg-HTA

- Many opportunities but also barriers to overcome
- Parallel scientific advice needs to evolve
- Learnings from the UK Innovative Licensing and Access Pathway ILAP
- Disconnect between expedited regulatory decisions and HTA
- Collaboration on RWE needs to be across the healthcare system

## Payer

- HTA-payer collaboration is not a pre-requisite
- Payer collaborations take various forms

# Key recommendations from the workshop and next steps

## Align and define

Start with a clear, aligned vision for the collaboration, with agreement on how to measure success.

## Look in your neighbourhood

Identify opportunities to adapt regulatory and HTA assessment reports for decision making.

## Product agnostic early dialogue

Explore a new forum for stakeholders to discuss unmet need and national health priorities.

## Changing mindsets

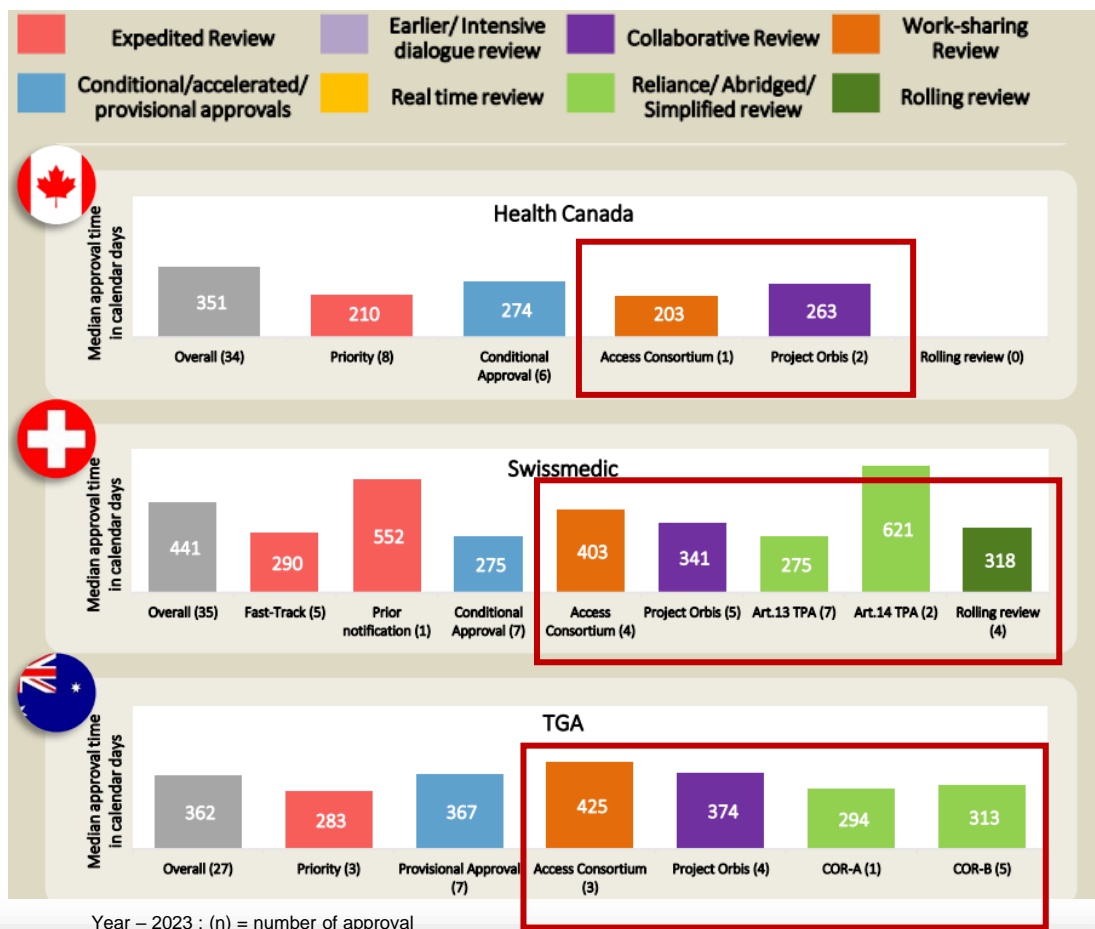
Ensure the success of collaboration is an organisational priority, with senior leadership buy-in.

## Next steps/research needed

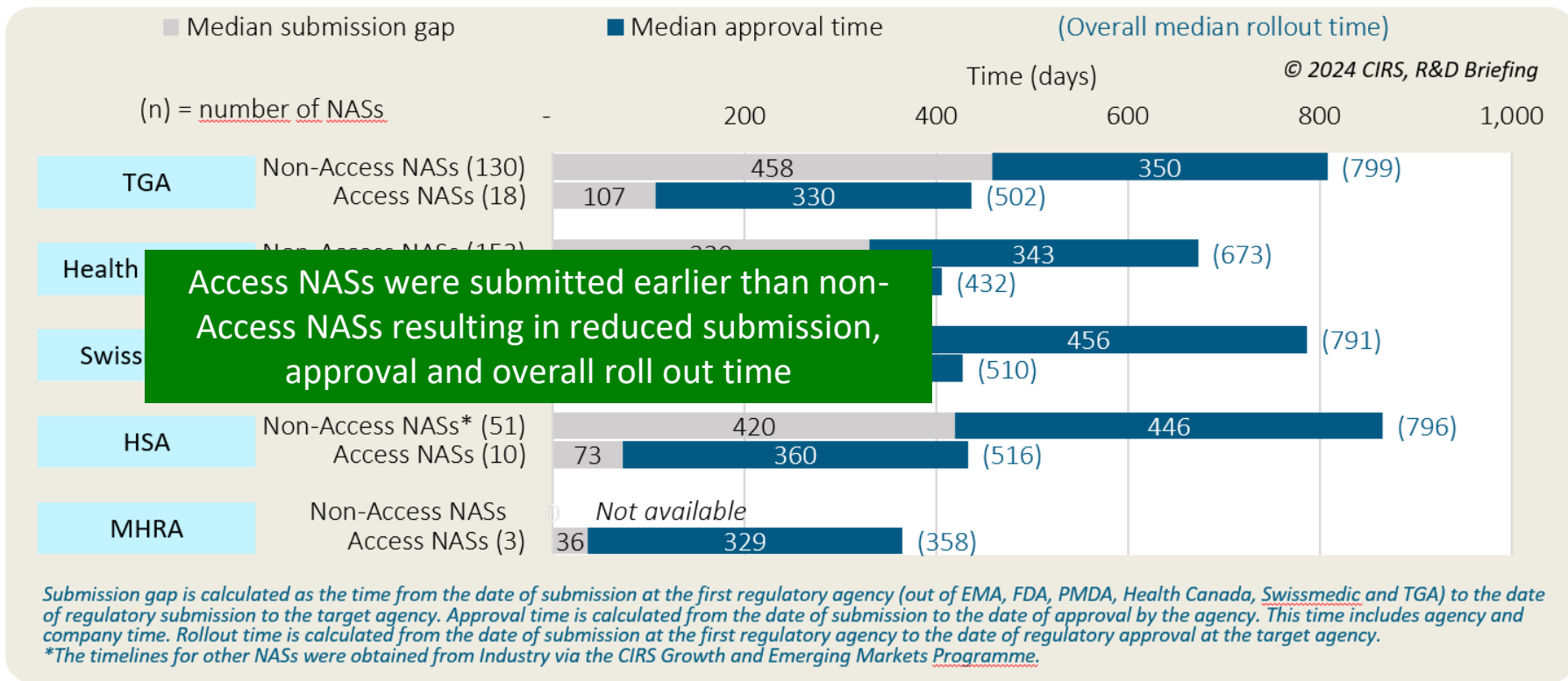
- **Identify** use cases for successful and unsuccessful collaborations.
- Develop appropriate outcome **assessments/metrics**.

# Collaboration models is one of the regulatory toolkits

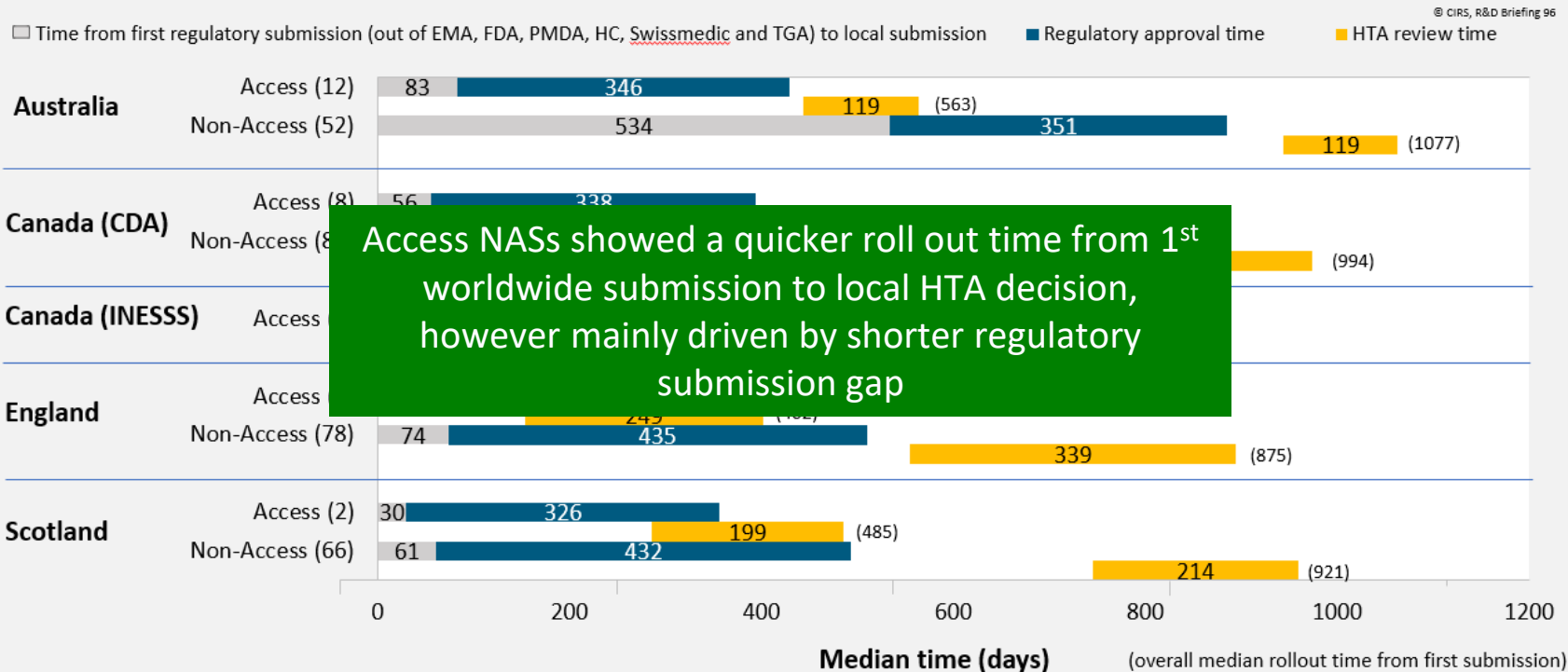
Agencies are **actively implementing collaborative approaches** as part of their toolkit –  
Utility of having more than one model and mindset that **one size does not fit all**



# Comparison of median submission gap, approval time, and rollout time for NASs approved via Access Consortium vs. Non-Access NASs (2019-2023)



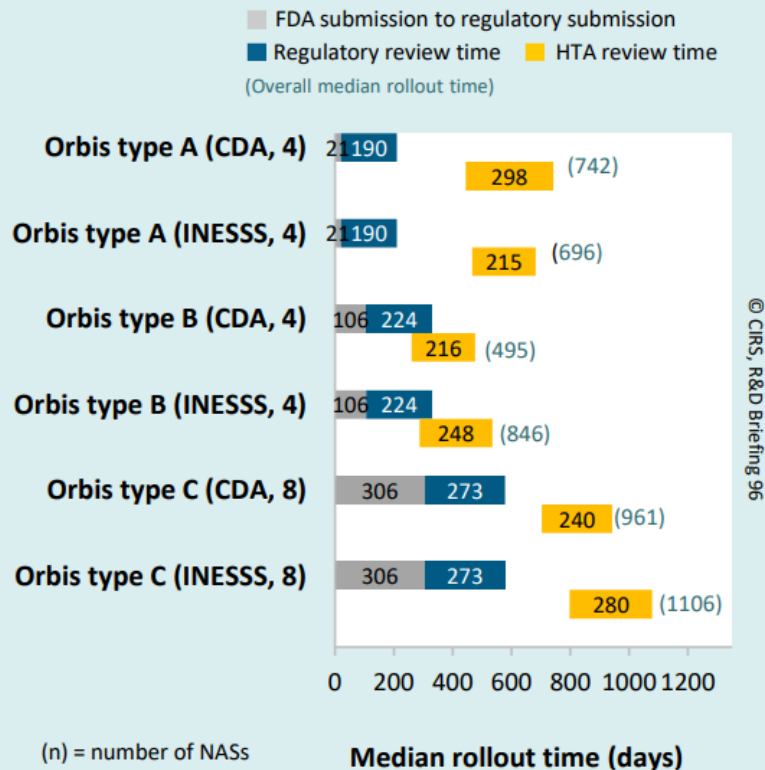
# Comparison of median roll out time for NASs approved via Access Consortium vs. Non-Access NASs (1st HTA recommendation 2019-2023)



(n) = number of NASs

Access NASs showed a quicker roll out time from 1<sup>st</sup> worldwide submission to local HTA decision, however mainly driven by shorter regulatory submission gap

**Figure 4. Breakdown of rollout time for Orbis products in Canada (1<sup>st</sup> HTA recommendation 2021-2023)**

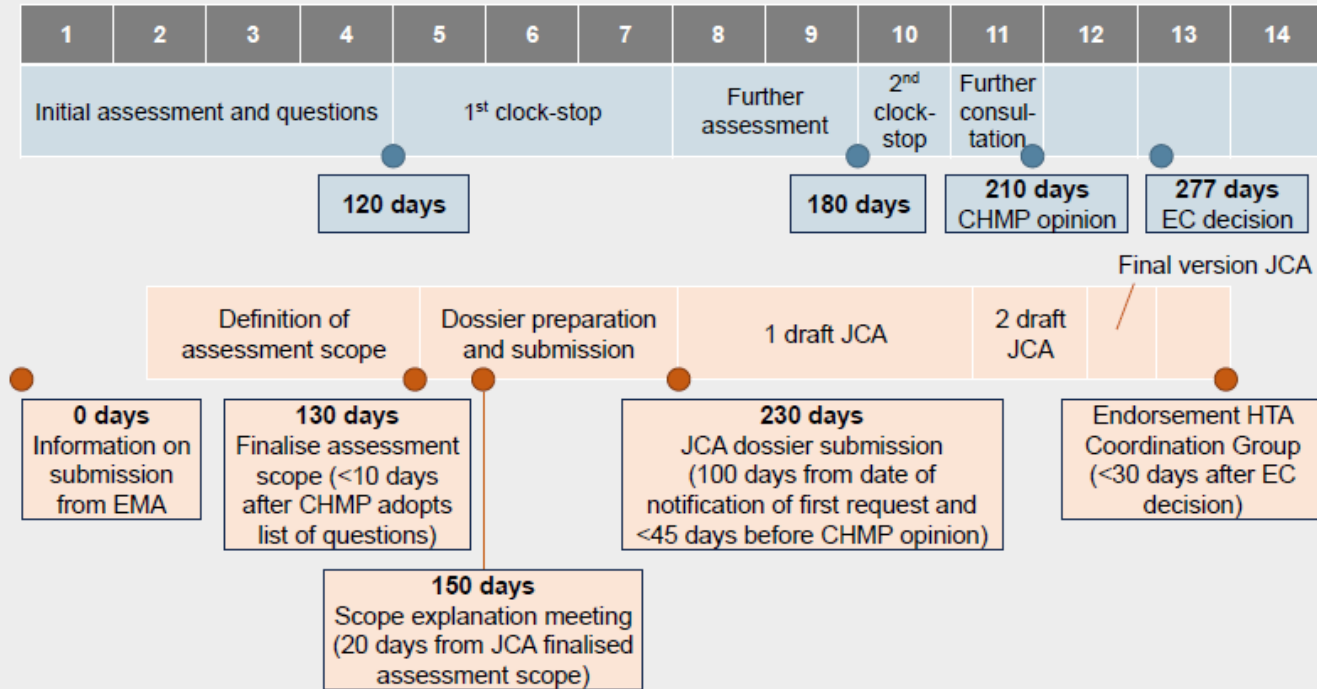


## Comparison of median roll out time for NASSs approved via Orbis project

- Products can be submitted for HTA review to CDA-AMC up to 180 days prior to the anticipated Notice of Compliance (NOC) from Health Canada.
- In a **Type A Orbis** submission, the marketing application must be submitted to the **< 30 days after the FDA submission**, which allows the possibility of concurrent action with FDA.
- If the **submission > 30 days** and/or the regulatory action takes more than three months after the FDA's decision, it is referred to as a Type B Orbis. Type B allows the possibility of **concurrent review with FDA but no concurrent action**.
- **Type C Orbis submissions**, where the **FDA has already taken regulatory action**, the FDA shares its completed review documents with the POP but there is no concurrent review or action with FDA.

EMA stop-clock data for oncology products to get initial insight into how the parallel JCA and EMA timelines may impact one another.

**Fig 1. Timeline (months) of EMA assessment (standard review) and JCA process**



# EMA stop-clock data for oncology products.

Fig 2. Proportion of oncology products that underwent clock-stops (EMA approvals between 2019-2023)

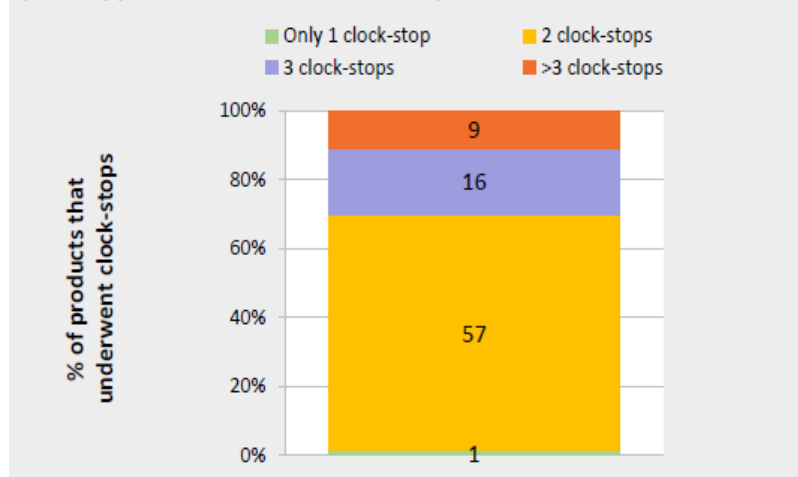
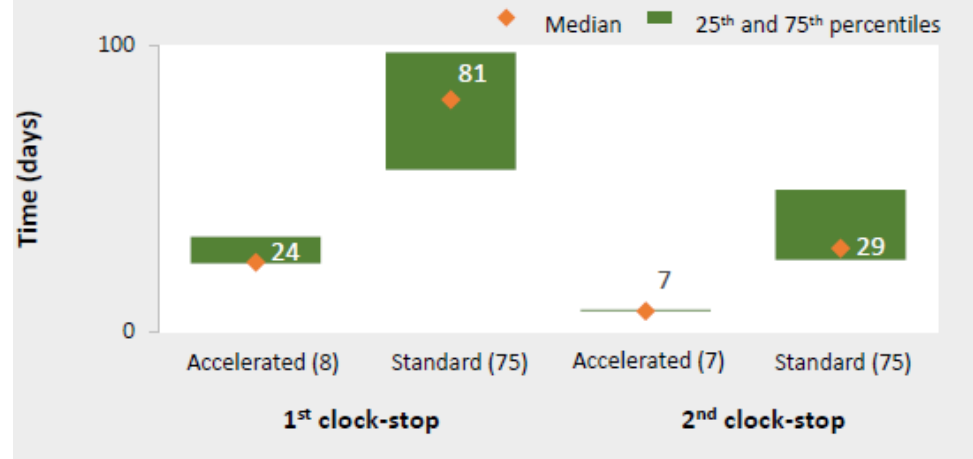


Fig 4. Variation of duration of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> clock-stops in standard versus accelerated reviews



Our analysis showed that both the first and second clock-stops were used in almost all of the analysed oncology products, with additional clock-stops being less likely. The variation of clock-stop durations makes the EMA review process less predictable, therefore, early awareness and preparation of JCA is required within companies to ensure the parallel process is aligned and efficient.

# THANK YOU!



## WORKSHOP SYNOPSIS

Working across regulatory and HTA agencies:  
collaborative, work-sharing and reliance  
models – what are the policy implications?

9-10th October 2024  
Oatlands Park Hotel, Surrey, UK



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