



# Regulatory Updates regarding Pediatric Drug Development in Japan and International Collaboration

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### Pediatric Regulations In Japan

- There is no regulation mandating pediatric drug development.
- ICH-E11 and ICH E11(R1)
- Several frameworks to enhance pediatric drug development have been implemented so far.
  - Extension of re-examination period (revised in 2020)
  - Drug Price Premium for Pediatric Use (5~20%) (updated in 2024)
  - Council for unapproved and off-label drugs with high medical needs
  - Pediatric clinical trial network
  - Considerations for clinical evaluation of drugs in pediatric patients (10 or 12 years of age and older) who can be evaluated together with adults
  - Specific Use Drug Designation System



# Regulatory Updates in Japan

- New Approach to Enhance Pediatric Drug Development
  - Planning of the Pediatric Drug Development Program during Development of Drugs for Adults
- PMDA Regulatory Affairs Consultation Center dedicated to Pediatric and Orphan Drugs
  - Consultation on Confirmation of the Pediatric Drug Development Program
- New Drug Pricing System
  - FY 2024 Drug Price System Reform to promote pediatric drug development



### Planning of the Pediatric Drug Development Program during Development of Drugs for Adults

Applied from April 1, 2024

(PSB/PED Notification No.0112-3. dated January 12,2024, partially revised in March 29, 2024)

https://www.pmda.go.jp/files/000268523.pdf (English translation by the PMDA)

- Encourage pharmaceutical companies to
  - prepare a pediatric drug development plan
  - confirm with the PMDA before submitting new drug application for adult use
  - proceed with the development without delay based on the prepared development plan
- Not only the implementation of clinical trials in Japanese children, but also using clinical data from adults and non-Japanese pediatrics, real-world data, and modeling & simulation, etc. should be considered and confirmed by the PMDA



When pharmaceutical companies develop pediatric drugs in accordance with this new approach

Incentives related to the drug price



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# Consultation on Confirmation of the Pediatric Drug Development Program Starts from July

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- Dedicated to confirmation of the Pediatric Drug Development Program based on the new approach
- Consultation prerequisites
  - The pharmaceutical company is planning to conduct a pediatric clinical trial and has already conducted scientific consultation for adult indication with the PMDA regarding clinical trial design, etc..

#### AND

The adult use is before filing an application for approval.



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### Exceptions

- Regarding the validity of the clinical trial design and the sufficiency of the application data package
- Regarding pediatric drug development plan for drugs with different indications between adults and children
- Regarding the utilization of real-world data, modeling & simulation, etc., without conducting pediatric clinical trials

**Existing scientific consultation** 



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### Latest Information about ICH E11A "Pediatric Extrapolation"

- Completed Regional Consultation 28 Oct 2022
  - 1182 comments received

- Current work plan is intended to deliver final guideline by the end of the second quarter of 2024
- ► ICH E11A Expert Working Group acknowledges the need to develop training materials
  - Expected to be completed 6 months after the publication of the final guideline



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### To Enhance Pediatric Drug Development

- Because of a decrease in the number of children in Japan as well as in major advanced countries/ regions, it becomes more and more difficult to conduct pediatric clinical trials of a certain scale leading to high level of evidences in single countries.
- Global collaboration is absolutely imperative.
- Participation from emerging countries/ regions is also essential.

### Create new path for better medicines for children

- ✓ Global Harmonization
- ✓ Beyond the borders
  - Regulators, Industries, Health Care Professionals,
     Patients/ Patients' Care Givers
  - Countries/ Regions



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### PMDA Asia Training Center & U.S. FDA Pediatric Review Seminar

Once a year since 2018

- To promote pediatric drug development globally
- To assist capacity building related to pediatric drug development in Asia and other countries/regions
- For regulatory authority officials who are engaged in the review of pediatric drug development programs
- Current pediatric guidelines and practices in the United States and Japan
- Current pediatric guidelines and practices in participants' respective countries and regions
- Case study and small group discussions among the participants
- Face to face meetings between the U.S. FDA, the PMDA and participants
- A lecturer from the EMA



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### Summary and Future Perspectives

- The environment for pediatric drug development in Japan is improving through various efforts.
- It is expected that pediatric drug development will gain further momentum with the latest new approach and new initiatives in Japan.
- PMDA strongly supports pediatric drug development.
  - Accelerating multi-regional pediatric clinical trials
  - Global Collaboration and Harmonization
  - Involving emerging countries/regions

Better medicines for children!



### Thank You

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