

Dear EPF member,

Special appeal: Help EPF collect data on patient organisations' awareness of EU pharmacovigilance rules

How much do patient organisations know about the EU pharmacovigilance rules? Are patient organisations in different Member States involved in their implementation? ¹

EPF is currently collecting information through a short online survey. We would ask you kindly to disseminate this survey to your member associations in different countries, and urge them to provide as many responses as possible from individual patients or patient representatives. The survey is in English, but it is short and **does not require any special knowledge about pharmacovigilance.**

This simple survey will help us form a picture on patient organisations' awareness of EU rules, and how they are involved in the implementation of the EU Pharmacovigilance Directive in their country – or if they are not involved. The more answers we get, the better we will be able to prepare information and tools to support your needs.

As the EPF representative on the PRAC², I am attending a Pharmacovigilance Stakeholder Forum in London on 27 September 2013, where I will present the results of this survey.

Please help us to collect as many responses as possible by 20 September.

If your organisation is an EU-level umbrella organisation, kindly disseminate the questionnaire to your national member organisations, since we are looking for country-specific information.

Access the survey through this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/YFZLBXP>

Every answer counts!
Thank you for your support.

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¹ For more information about the new pharmacovigilance rules, including a video, please see this [page from the European Medicines Agency](#).

² Pharmacovigilance Risk Assessment Committee (PRAC) is responsible for assessing and monitoring safety issues of medicines at the European Medicines Agency.