# Patient perspectives on the role of PROMS in the evaluation of medical devices

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## Delphi study overview

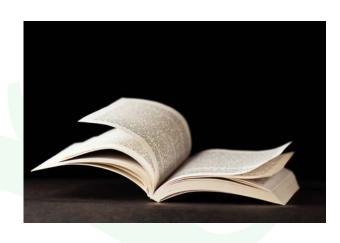








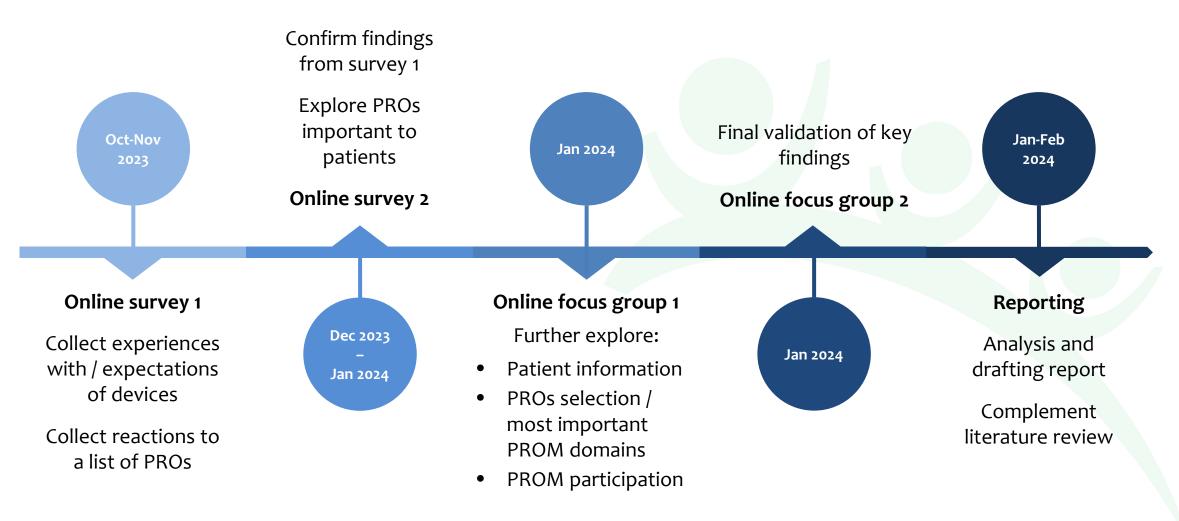
Consensus on PROMs' use and utility



Complementing the literature review

## **Approach**





## Patient experiences with medical devices



- 1 Safety and performance of the device
- 6 Replacement of the device

2 Concerns about misfunctioning

Noise / Size

3 Security

8 Shape

4 Control of the device

9 Appearance of the device

5 Comfort

10 Colour

#### The use of PROMs



- Limited familiarity with PROMs among patients
- Co-creation and feedback pathways need to be clearer for patients
- Frequency of PROM use: 3-6 months; patients should see why it is important (for them) to participate
- Detail and format of PROM questionnaires: online or printed, at clinic or at home

### Patient information about medical devices



- Importance of different device choices for patients: patients want to have a say
- Desired information and learning materials: combination of different materials/formats
- Importance of visual information: explanatory videos, etc.
- Role of online communities: peer-to-peer exchange of experience on social media – moderation needed

## The importance of patient involvement



- Develop a set of core indicators for PROMs per disease area that addresses patients' concerns and capture information that is relevant from their perspective, to inform healthcare decisions and further research needs.
- 2. Clearly communicate the objectives of PROM collection, inform patients about the use of their feedback, and share results/updates with them.
- Facilitate PROM collection (frequency, format) to ensure patients' engagement and willingness to contribute.
- 4. Develop ways to integrate PROMs, and patient experience data more generally, in the regulatory process for medical devices and assessment of the risk-benefit.
- 5. Involve patients throughout the lifecycle of medical devices, including in the development of information/communication materials that address their needs.



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