

## Transparency, engagement and communication

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# The importance of transparency, good communication and engagement

- More than ever, these remain priorities during a crisis
- The public needs to be able to access data and understand the rationale behind important decisions on vaccines
- **Extraordinary measures** have been put in place to enhance the level of transparency for COVID-19 medicines
- **Transparency** requires extra effort to communicate better, put the data into context and explain the science in plain language

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- Engagement remains crucial:
  - · actively listening to the public and our stakeholders
  - involving them in our activities



## Enhanced transparency for COVID-19 vaccines

### What information is being published ?

- Medicines that have received EMA advice during their development
- Committee meetings highlights, minutes and agendas
- Start of rolling review and applications for marketing authorisation
- Product information (all EU languages)
- An overview of the vaccine and why it is approved in plain language (all EU languages)
- European Public Assessment Report
- · Full Risk Management Plan
- Clinical data supporting marketing authorisation
- Changes post-authorisation and regular safety updates





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## Provision of information on COVID-19 vaccines

#### How are we communicating ?

- New information on development & approval of COVID-19 vaccines – specifically targeting the general public
- Responding to queries from members of the public and media
- Press, public meetings & social media on key developments
- Media interviews with experts
- Providing content for <u>European Vaccination Information Portal</u> and supporting the European Commission
- EMA/Member States' safety communications







### Engagement and collaboration

#### Who are we working together with?

- Talking to patients and healthcare professionals in EMA's pandemic task force, regular meetings, user testing information materials
- Working together with European Commission, ECDC, national medicines regulators
- Listening to public concerns on vaccines, to understand what people want/need to know and try to explain the science



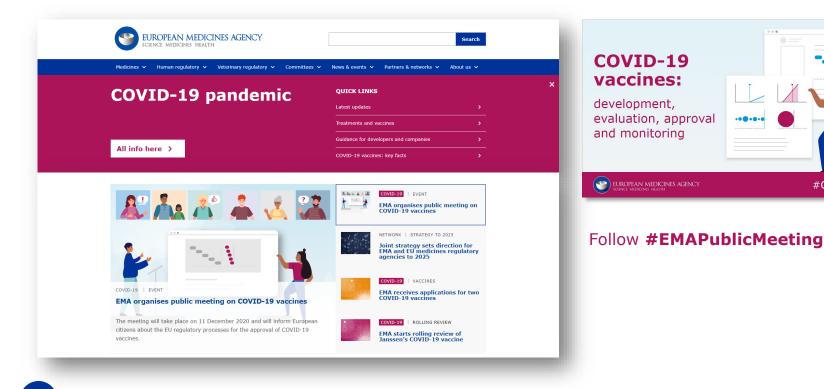
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### Latest updates on EMA's corporate website: COVID-19 pandemic



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