

| Practical Information Note

JOINT MEETING OF THE HEADS OF THE MEDICINES AGENCIES,
HEADS OF HTA AGENCIES GROUP AND THE NATIONAL
COMPETENT AUTHORITIES ON PRICING AND REIMBURSEMENT

The Convention Centre, Dublin, 08 October 2026



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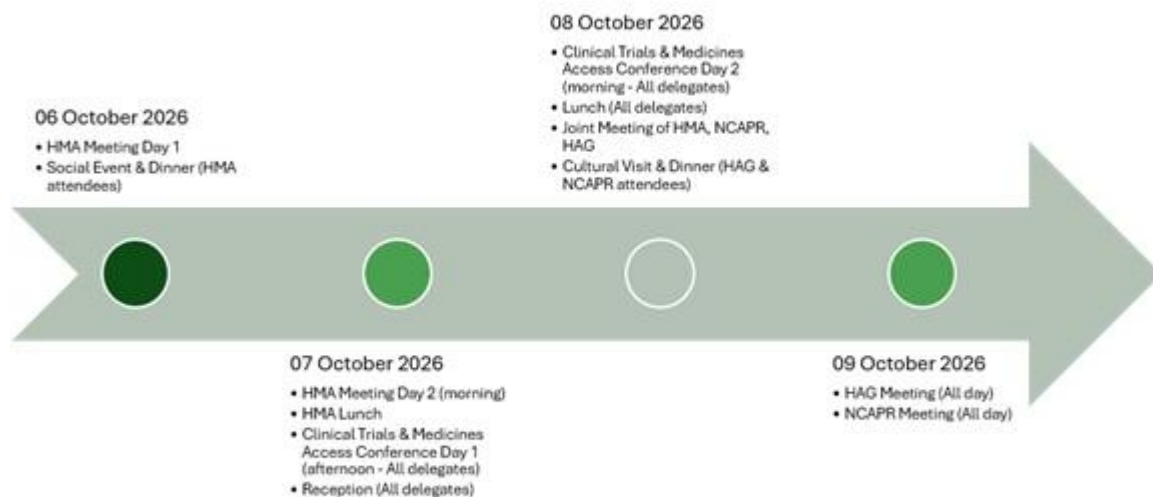
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General Information

The Irish Presidency will host a series of medicine-related meetings (Medicines Week) throughout 06-09 October, which will take place in the Convention Centre Dublin in Dublin. A detailed timetable can be found below. Attendance at each event is through invitation only and a Practical Information Note and registration details will be issued for each meeting.

This Practical Information Note (PIN) lays out the necessary information and requirements for the Joint Meeting of the Heads of Medicines Agencies, Heads of HTA Agencies Group and the National Competent Authorities on Pricing and Reimbursement on 08 October 2026.





Introduction

The Irish Presidency of the Council of the European Union 2026 looks forward to welcoming you to Dublin for the Joint Meeting of the Heads of Medicines Agencies, Heads of HTA Agencies Group and the National Competent Authorities on Pricing and Reimbursement on 08 October 2026. We are pleased to share this Practical Information Note (PIN) to assist you in preparing for the meeting.

Please note that the information contained in this PIN may be subject to change. Updated information, including any updates to the meeting programme, practical arrangements or meeting documentation, will be shared through the online Accreditation Platform. Registered delegates will receive email notifications when updated material is shared on the Accreditation Platform.

If you have any queries, please contact Health_EUPresEvents@health.gov.ie

Deadlines

Date	What you need to do	Where to go/Who to contact
14 August	Accreditation platform opens	Health_EUPresEvents@health.gov.ie
28 August	Deadline for DAO nominations	Health_EUPresEvents@health.gov.ie
09 September	Deadline for registration of delegates	Via the Accreditation Portal
08 October	Joint Meeting of the Heads of Medicines Agencies, Heads of HTA Agencies Group and the National Competent Authorities on Pricing and Reimbursement	The Convention Centre, Spencer Dock, North Wall Quay, Dublin 1, D01 T1W6



Location

The Joint Meeting of the Heads of Medicines Agencies, Heads of HTA Agencies Group and the National Competent Authorities on Pricing and Reimbursement will take place in The Convention Centre, Spencer Dock, North Wall Quay, Dublin 1, D01 T1W6.





Programme

This preliminary programme is subject to change. Further details of the programme will be shared prior to the meeting. The final programme will be shared with registered delegation members via the Accreditation Platform in advance of the meeting.

08 October

12:00-13:45:	Registration (Ground Floor)
13:45-13:50:	Opening
13:50-14:45:	Session 1 Presentation on Conditional Marketing Authorisation Presentation on HTA Regulation Panel Discussion
14:45-14:55:	Comfort Break
14:55-15:50:	Session 2 Presentation on Adaptive & Pragmatic Trials Presentation on The Payer Hub Panel Discussion
15:50-16:35:	Session 3: Heads Panel Discussion
16:35-16:45:	Close of Meeting
16:45:	End of day

Interpretation

This meeting will be conducted through English. Simultaneous interpretation will not be provided.



Delegation

Delegation Size and Format

Delegations size is **up to 6 delegates**.

It is recommended that your delegation comprise the representatives from the agencies and groups participating in the HMA, HAG and NCAPR meetings taking place in Dublin during Medicines Week (06-09 October), together with Pharmaceutical Directors, where feasible.

This format is fixed and no exceptions can be made.

Registration and Accreditation

For security reasons, each delegate must be registered and accredited in order to gain access to the meeting venue.

A **Delegation Accreditation Officer (DAO)** must be appointed by each invited delegation. Please send the DAO's full name, phone number and email address to Health_EUPresEvents@health.gov.ie to receive log-in details. The DAO must register all members of the delegation on the Accreditation Platform, in line with the instructions below.

Please note that in compliance with data security requirements, the Accreditation Platform requires Two-Factor Authentication. You will require access to an authenticator application such as Microsoft Authenticator or Google Authenticator in order to access the Accreditation Platform.

To facilitate the smooth running of the programme, please ensure that all delegates have registered and that all requested information has been provided, including accommodation details and dietary and accessibility requirements of delegates, by the registration deadline of **09 September**. Please ensure that all details are completed correctly before submitting the registration request, as certain information (for example, the delegate's name) will be printed on their accreditation badge.

All personal information provided for accreditation will be processed in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). Full details can be found in the Privacy Notice on the Accreditation Platform.

If you have any queries about the registration process, please email Health_EUPresEvents@health.gov.ie



Accreditation Badges

Accreditation badges can be collected on the ground floor of the Convention Centre, Spencer Dock, North Wall Quay, Dublin 1, D01 T1W6 on 08 October between 12:00 and 13:45.

Delegates will be requested to provide a photo ID document when collecting their badge. Delegate badges are strictly personal and non-transferable, and must be visible at all times within the meeting venue and at all events within the meeting programme.

If you lose your accreditation badge, please immediately notify your meeting host. Please also notify the accreditation team by sending an email to EUPresidency.accreditation@dfa.ie

Transport

Entering Ireland

Please note that Ireland is not part of the Schengen Area. Therefore, **EU citizens must present a valid passport or national identity card to enter Ireland.** Full details are available [here](#).

Citizens of other countries must present a valid passport or recognised travel document to enter Ireland and may also need a visa. You can find out if you need a visa to enter Ireland [here](#).

Transport Options

Delegates are invited to make their own travel arrangements for transfer to and from the airport. Information on public transport and taxi options to and from Dublin Airport are available [here](#).

Accommodation

If required, accommodation for the night of 08 October 2026 should be booked when registering for the Meeting of the Heads of the Health Technology Assessment (HTA) Agencies Group **OR** the Plenary meeting of the National Competent Authorities on Pricing and Reimbursement (NCAPR) on 09 October 2026.



Security

The Irish Presidency will ensure security during the meeting in close cooperation with An Garda Síochána, Ireland's national police and security service.

Media

Social Media

Content from the Irish EU Presidency is available on our social media accounts:

✕ [@Ireland2026eu](https://twitter.com/Ireland2026eu)

 [Irish Presidency of the Council of the EU 2026](https://www.linkedin.com/company/irish-presidency-of-the-council-of-the-eu-2026/)

 [@DFATIRL](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDFATIRL)

 [@ireland2026eu](https://www.instagram.com/ireland2026eu)

 [@Ireland2026EU](https://www.facebook.com/Ireland2026EU)

General Information

Useful Contacts

For general queries relating to the meeting logistics or content:

Health_EUPresEvents@health.gov.ie

Emergency services (police, ambulance, fire): 112 or 999

Internet/WiFi

Wireless internet access is available throughout the meeting venue. The network name and password will be available on signage in the venue.

Electricity



The standard electricity supply in Ireland is 230V at a frequency of 50Hz (the same as in other EU Member States). Three-pin power plugs and sockets of Type G are used. Delegates travelling from EU Member States will require a power plug adaptor in order to use electronic devices safely in Ireland.



Accessibility

At the time of accreditation, the platform will ask for relevant information on allergies, dietary restrictions and dietary preferences, and invite sharing of any meeting-related accessibility requirements. It is important that this information is provided so that delegates may receive all appropriate supports.

Lost and Found

If you have lost or found an item in the meeting venue, please bring it to the attention of your meeting host. Please note that the Irish EU Presidency is not liable for personal injuries, losses or damage to the personal property of registered delegates. All delegates should make their own arrangements with respect to personal insurance for their property.

Weather

Temperatures in Dublin in October typically range between 8°C and 14°C. Rain can be expected at any time of year.

Links of Interest

1. 🌐 Tourism Ireland – <https://www.ireland.com>
Official tourism website with destinations, itineraries, and travel inspiration.
2. 🚌 Transport for Ireland – <https://www.transportforireland.ie>
3. 🚆 Iarnród Éireann – <https://www.irishrail.ie>
Train schedules and ticket booking.
4. 🚌 Bus Éireann – <https://www.buseireann.ie>
Regional bus services across the country.
5. ☁️ Met Éireann – <https://www.met.ie>
Official weather forecasts and alerts.
6. 🏰 Visit Dublin – <https://www.visitdublin.com>
7. 🆘 Tourist SOS Ireland – <https://www.touristsos.ie>
Free assistance service for tourists who lose documents or need support.
8. 🦋 Wild Atlantic Way – <https://www.wildatlanticway.com>
Information on Ireland's famous coastal scenic route.



Irish Presidency Sustainability Policy

The Irish Presidency of the Council of the European Union provides a significant opportunity to demonstrate Ireland's commitment to sustainability and environmental responsibility. Ireland is committed to embedding sustainable practices across all aspects of planning and delivery of our EU Presidency.

To reaffirm our commitment, Ireland has developed a Sustainability Policy for our EU Presidency, applying it directly to official EU Presidency meetings and events held in Ireland. The objective of the policy is to support the organisation and delivery of EU Presidency meetings as sustainably as possible. We wish to encourage the implementation of initiatives that are environmentally, socially and economically responsible throughout the organisation and delivery stages.

We hope that our efforts will be visible across our meetings and events and that you will be inspired to continue making sustainable and environmentally conscious choices. More information about the Sustainability Policy will be available on the official website of the Irish Presidency of the Council of the European Union.



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