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Patient-Reported Outcome
Consortium Workshop***

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eCOA: Getting Better Together Initiative Update

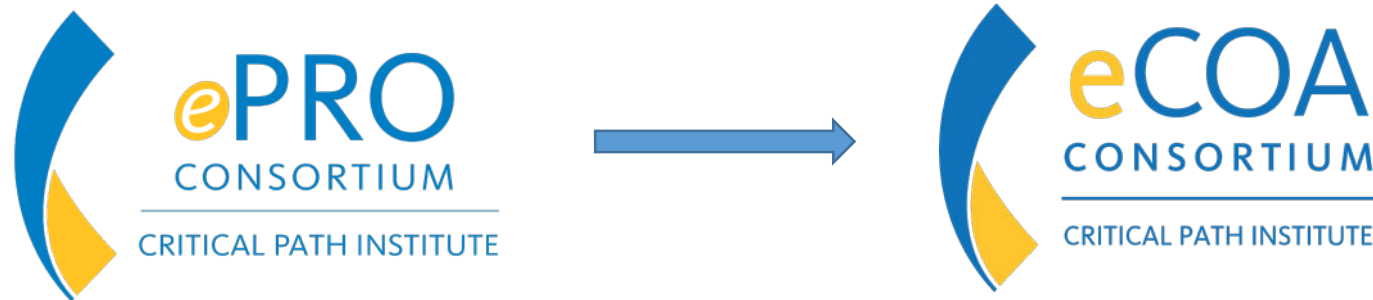
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- Collaboration between Consortia
 - eCOA: Getting Better Together Initiative
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Background

The eCOA Consortium was established as the *ePRO Consortium* in 2011. With C-Path as the managing member, the 17 other members of the eCOA Consortium are firms that provide electronic data collection technologies and services for capturing patient-reported outcome (PRO) and other clinical outcome assessment (COA) data electronically in clinical trials. The name was changed to the *eCOA Consortium* in January 2022 to better reflect the capabilities of the membership and the scope of the Consortium's interests and direction.



Mission

To advance the science of clinical trial endpoint assessment by collaboratively supporting and conducting research, designing and delivering educational opportunities, and developing and disseminating best practice recommendations for electronic collection of clinical outcome data

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eCOA Consortium: Active, Planned and Potential Projects



Active

- Update to Best Practices Recommendations for Paper to Electronic Migration of PRO Measures
 - Updating established best practices with new recommendations addressing newer technology capabilities as well as the creation of a single point of reference for all migration best practices.
 - Target output: Peer-reviewed manuscript
- eCOA systems and Conformitè Européenne (CE) Mark
 - Examining how and when eCOA systems would be in-scope for CE certification
 - Target output: Self-published white paper

Planning

- Practical considerations for the implementation of wearables in clinical trials
- Opportunities for enhancing uptake of *bring your own device* (BYOD) methods for COA data collection

Potential

- Methods standardization for remote assessment of dermatological conditions
 - Candidate for FDA's Innovative Science and Technology Approaches for New Drugs (ISTAND) Pilot Program
 - In collaboration with PRO Consortium
- Methods standardization for assessing wearable device data collection compliance in clinical trials
 - In collaboration with PRO Consortium

- Measurement Comparability of Electronic and Paper Administration of Visual Analogue Scales: A Review of Published Studies
 - The article was published in *Therapeutic Innovation & Regulatory Science* on February 10, 2022
 - Link: <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s43441-022-00376-2>
- Best Practice Recommendations: User Acceptance Testing for Systems Designed to Collect Clinical Outcome Assessment Data Electronically
 - In collaboration with PRO Consortium
 - The article was published in with open access in *Therapeutic Innovation & Regulatory Science* on March 1, 2022.
 - Link: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s43441-021-00363-z>

Collaboration between Consortia

eCOA: Getting Better Together Initiative



Background

What it is:

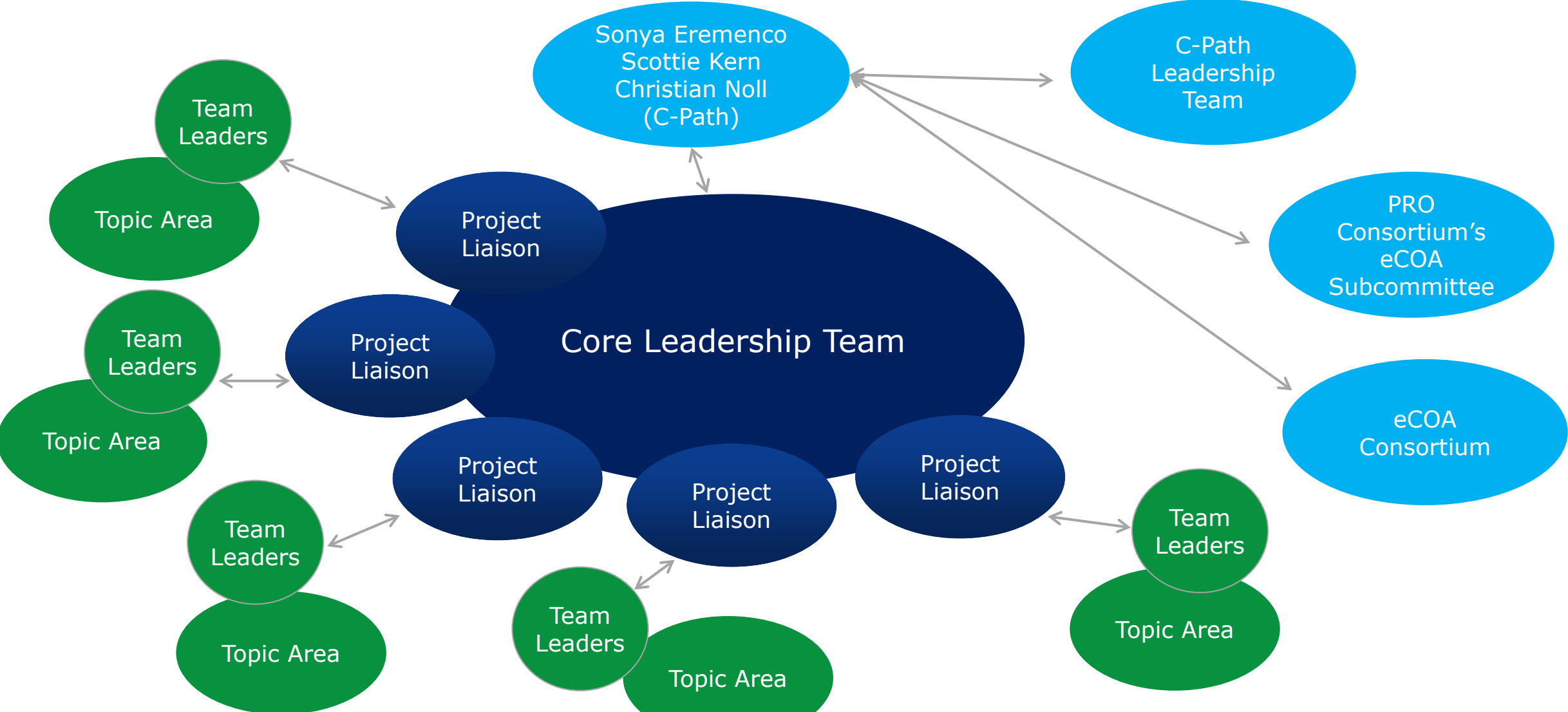
A collaborative, pre-competitive initiative among C-Path, clinical trial sponsors from the PRO Consortium, eCOA providers from the eCOA Consortium, contract research organizations, and regulators (FDA)



Aims:

- Identify and address the root cause of issues with eCOA implementation in clinical trials
- Drive positive and lasting change in the eCOA ecosystem for the benefit of all stakeholders

Organizational Structure



Wave 1 Launch Date: June 2019

Topic 1: eCOA Lexicon



Project Liaison: Paul O'Donohoe (Medidata)

Project Team Leaders: Megan Turner (GSK) and Lisa Nguyen (MedAvante)

Objective:

- Without a common lexicon among eCOA providers, sponsors, study site staff, and regulators, the chance for miscommunication, errors, and inefficiencies increases. The objective of this team is to review terminology and create an aligned eCOA Lexicon for use by stakeholders across the eCOA ecosystem.

Status:

- This project will likely run through the duration of Waves 1, 2, and 3.
- February 2021: Version 1 was completed and posted to the C-Path website.
- March 2022: Version 2 was completed and posted to the C-Path website.

Final Deliverable:

- A searchable PDF document is available via the webpages for the PRO Consortium (www.c-path.org/proc) and the eCOA Consortium (www.c-path.org/ecoac).

Topic 2: eCOA Process/Workflow and Roles/Responsibilities



Project Liaison: Kate Zarzar (Genentech)

Project Team Leaders: Gena Gough (formerly of Clinical Ink) and Jennifer Lord-Bessen (BMS)

Objective:

- Define an eCOA workflow or process aligning expectations for successful eCOA strategy development and deployment and clarifying roles and responsibilities.

Status - Completed:

- February 2021: Final documents were completed and posted to the C-Path website.

Final Deliverables:

- Searchable PDF documents are available via the webpages for the PRO Consortium (www.c-path.org/proc) and the eCOA Consortium (www.c-path.org/ecoac).
 - Abbreviations, Roles, Process Step Table, Workflow

Topic 3: Best Practice Recommendations for User Acceptance Testing



Manuscript Title: *Best Practice Recommendations: User Acceptance Testing for Systems Designed to Collect Clinical Outcome Assessment Data Electronically*

Writing Team: The writing team includes members from the PRO Consortium's eCOA Subcommittee and the eCOA Consortium.

Status - Completed:

- The article was published with open access in *Therapeutic Innovation & Regulatory Science* on March 1, 2022.
- Link: <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s43441-021-00363-z>

Topic 4: Best Practice Recommendations for ePRO Dataset Structure and Standardization



Manuscript Title: *Best Practice Recommendations for ePRO Dataset Structure and Standardization to Support Drug Development*

Writing Team: The writing team includes stakeholders representing FDA, eCOA providers, sponsors, CROs, analytic vendors, CDISC, the PRO Consortium's eCOA Subcommittee, and the eCOA Consortium.

Status:

- Final Draft Completed: Q1 2022
- Target Submission Date: Q2 2022
 - The writing team will submit the manuscript to *Value in Health* in Q2 2022.

Final Deliverable:

- A manuscript published in a peer-reviewed publication with open access

Topic 5: Best Practice Recommendations for Changing eCOA Data



Project Liaison: Trish Shepherd Delong (Janssen)

Project Team Leaders: Demian Humler (Clario) and Trish Shepherd Delong (Janssen)

Objective:

- Bring together experts across the eCOA ecosystem to develop best practices for handling COA data change requests.

Status:

- eClinical Forum representatives joined the project team in October 2020.
- Webinar: The team presented a joint webinar with eClinical Forum on December 7 and 8, 2021, to discuss key highlights from the manuscript. A public webinar will be held following publication.
- Manuscript: The manuscript is nearing completion. The writing team will submit the manuscript to *Clinical Trials*.

Final Deliverable:

- A manuscript published in a peer-reviewed publication with open access

Wave 2 Launch Date: January 2021

Topic 1: Support Flexible Approaches to PRO Data Collection



Project Liaison: To be determined

Project Team Leaders: Valdo Arnera (Clario) and Andriani Athanasiou (Janssen)

Topic: Support flexible approaches to PRO data collection in terms of both timing and mode to reduce burden on study participants and sites while meeting regulatory requirements

Objective: Develop best practice recommendations to support flexibility in PRO data collection in clinical trials

Timeframe: The goal is to finish this work in 12-15 months.

Status:

- The kick-off meeting for this project occurred on January 27, 2021. The project team divided into 3 workstreams: 1) improving participant and site experience through simplification; 2) innovations in technology needed to support flexibility; and 3) instrument developer and regulatory perspectives.
- Workstream 1 issued an eCOA experience survey to sites and clinical research associates in March 2022. A similar survey for participants will be issued in April 2022.
- Workstream 3 completed a survey of instrument developers in November 2021 to identify concerns and barriers to flexibility that this workstream can address.

Final Deliverable: A manuscript published in a peer-reviewed publication with open access

Wave 2 - Topic 2: Bring Your Own Device



Project Liaison: Shelly Steele (MedAvante)

Project Team Leaders: Karl McEvoy (YPrime) and Lisa Charlton (Science 37)

Topic: Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

Objective: Develop best practice recommendations for clinical trial implementation of BYOD

Timeframe: The goal is to finish this work in 12 months.

Status: Kicked-off February 12, 2021.

- The project team divided into 2 workstreams:
 - Workstream 1: Definitions and an overview of how to decide if BYOD is right for your trial
 - Workstream 2: Equivalency and Regulatory perspective
- A podcast discussing the use of BYOD approaches was released on April 8, 2022.
- Manuscript development was initiated in March 2022; target completion September 2022

Final Deliverables:

- A podcast and a manuscript published in a peer-reviewed publication with open access

Wave 2 Topics – Planned



- **Priority 3 – Q2 2022 – NEW**

Topic: eCOA Translations and Licensing Management Process (TLM)

Objective: Develop best practices for the management of translations in clinical trials

Tentative Launch Date: Q2 2022

- **Priority 4 – Q3 2022**

Topic: Data Management

Objective: Develop best practice recommendations, with particular focus on the collaboration among sponsors, CROs, and eCOA providers

- **Priority 5 – Q4 2022**

Topic: Site Readiness and Training

Objective: Work with collaborators from the 2019 DIA Forum on eCOA training to leverage outputs and enhance published best practice recommendations

Proposed Projects



- **Topic: Request for Proposal (RFP) – Order Form/Annotated Checklist and Best Practice Recommendations**
Objective: Align expectations on and define the RFP process; outline best practices for sponsors, CROs, and eCOA providers
- **Topic: Design Requirements**
Objective: Create best practice recommendations to define content when developing design requirements
- **Topic: Data Transfers**
Objective: Develop an annotated data transfer agreement (DTA) template and best practice recommendations for operational aspects (e.g., timing and stakeholder responsibilities) of data transfers
- **Topic: eCOA Compliance Thresholds**
Objective: Create best practice recommendations for the development, implementation, and evaluation of eCOA compliance thresholds to determine the impact of data collection thresholds on the clinical statistical analysis plan
- **Topic: Approaches to Optimizing Timelines and Efficiencies for eCOA Deployment**
Objective: To be developed

eCOA: Getting Better Together Initiative - Available Resources



Electronic Clinical Outcome Assessment Consortium

The Electronic Clinical Outcome Assessment (eCOA) Consortium provides scientific leadership and best practice recommendations surrounding electronic data capture technologies and services that support the collection of patient-focused outcomes data in clinical trials.

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eCOA: Getting Better Together Initiative

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Quarterly Update

Please click [here](#) to view the most recent quarterly update, which includes the status of current and future areas of focus.



Mar 2, 2022

C-Path Welcomes ActiGraph



Mar 2, 2022

eCOA Consortium Announces Publication of Open Access Article



Jan 11, 2022

C-Path's ePRO Consortium Announces Rebranding, Changes Name to eCOA Consortium



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eCOA: Process/Workflow and Roles/Responsibilities  Contributors	Define an eCOA process and workflow that aligns expectations for successful eCOA strategy development and deployment and clarifies roles and responsibilities.	 Abbreviations Table  Roles Table

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