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Haystack Project's Mission

Haystack Project is a non-profit coalition of **140+ ultra-rare patient organizations** that come together to present a coordinated, focused and unified effort to educate about the need to recognize and address **systemic access barriers**. The participants are committed to working together collaboratively to ensure patient access to novel treatments, specialists, and diagnostics for extremely rare conditions.

Haystack Project participating groups, educational initiatives, comment letters, etc. are all on our website at haystackproject.org



HAYSTACK PROJECT

2023 Policy Work



HEART Act Implementation



PROTECT Rare Act H.R.6094
Matsui, Dunn, Thompson and Kelly



State-level Access Barriers/Delays



Value Assessments/ICER re: RARE

PRIORITIES

NASEM Study



Flexibilities, authorities, or mechanisms available to regulators in the United States and the European Union applicable to rare diseases or conditions;



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Assessment of collaborative efforts between United States and European Union regulators related to: product development programs under review; policies under dev./recently issued; scientific information related to product dev./regs

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- ***ARE THEY USING THEM? AND HOW? DOCUMENTING THEM? TO WHOM? WHEN?***
- ***...COMPARISON***
- ***ADVISORY COMMITTEES***
- ***PFDDs/Listening Sessions***
- ***REVIEW THE REVIEWERS***
- ***DIVISION ASSIGNMENT***
- ***POST MARKET COMMITMENTS/AA APPROVALS***



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- ***AND NOT SUBMITTED;***
- ***COMPOSITE ENDPOINTS;***

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