

What is a Safety Variation?

Summary of Product Characteristics and Package Leaflets (SmPCs/PLs) are a key part of the MA of all medicines, and the basis of information for healthcare professionals on how to use a medicine safely and effectively. They are kept updated throughout the lifecycle of a medicine as new efficacy or safety data emerge.

What is a Safety Variation?

This is an update and implementation of SmPCs/PLs concerning particularly products, via variations with respect to – but not limited to – posology, contraindications, special warnings and precautions for use and undesirable effects.

When SmPC / PIL needs to be updated

Competent Authority requested

PRAC recommendation

Identified through PSUR

Identified through signal evaluation

WHO...

does the change? → RA team

submits the variation? → MAH

reviews & approves the change? → Regulatory Head and EU QPPV

Once approval granted → EU QPPV & PV personnel informed

Additional role of EU QPPV

Review of safety variations on a quarterly basis to ensure compliance with timelines. Any non-compliance found will be investigated and CAPA put in place.

ELC Group provides a full range of support to the EU QPPV and also ensure that all of the requisite pharmacovigilance activities are duly taken into account.



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