



EAACIPOC
PATIENT ORGANISATIONS COMMITTEE



Building Bridges for Better Healthcare

Healthcare, at its heart, is about connecting with patients, understanding their challenges and enhancing their well-being. The EAACI Patient Organisations Committee (POC) embodies this principle by fostering collaboration between patients and healthcare professionals to improve the health of individuals affected by allergy, asthma, and immunological conditions.

Representing millions of patients from Europe, the Americas, Asia, and Australasia, the EAACI POC plays a critical role in providing global access to patient knowledge. This inclusive approach fosters a collaborative environment where diverse perspectives contribute to the advancement of allergy and immunology care worldwide.

Comprising more than 30 patient organisations, the EAACI POC collaborates closely with representatives from diverse sectors, including medicine, academia, industry, and policy, to drive forward patient-centred care and advocacy initiatives.

Research on patient engagement has demonstrated that including patients' voices and experiences not only increases adherence to treatment protocols and quality of life (QoL), but also improves outcomes and health. The EAACI POC members are invaluable collaborators, essential for fostering patient-centred research and care.

At the EAACI POC, we understand the importance of partnership in healthcare. We strive to create a collaborative environment where patients and healthcare professionals work together as allies, sharing knowledge, expertise, and insights to improve patient outcomes and quality of life.

The EAACI POC serves as a global forum, uniting patient organisations to exchange evidence-based information on disease management and to mutually enrich their understanding. This collaborative approach enables the POC to leverage the strengths, resources, and expertise of each member organisation, ultimately benefiting patients, healthcare providers, and the broader healthcare community.

Empowering Patients, Empowering Care

You may access the list of POC members [here](#)



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Building Healthier Communities: Patients and Professionals in Partnership

The Patient Organisations Committee (POC) collaborates with EAACI bodies in various activities to mutually benefit patients, healthcare providers, and the broader healthcare community.

The committee activities include:

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Creating a sense of community among patient organisations facing similar health challenges, facilitating peer support and networking.

PATIENT REPRESENTATION

Inviting representatives from patient organisations to participate in the EAACI meetings, conferences, or committees to ensure that the voices of patients are heard and considered during decision-making processes.

JOINT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Organising workshops, seminars or webinars together with EAACI bodies to educate both patients and healthcare professionals on the advancements in allergy and clinical immunology.

CLINICAL GUIDELINES DEVELOPMENT

Working together with EAACI Task Force groups to develop clinical guidelines that incorporate patient perspectives, ensuring that they are practical, patient-centred, and reflect the latest evidence-based practices.

RESEARCH INITIATIVES

Partnering on research projects to address unmet patient needs or gaps in understanding about patient experiences, disease burden or quality of life.

PARTNERSHIPS WITH HEALTHCARE INSTITUTIONS AND INDUSTRY

Partnering with healthcare institutions and healthcare industry to facilitate patient involvement in research, clinical trials, quality improvement projects, and patient-centred care initiatives.

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES

Collaborating on initiatives to improve the quality of care and patient outcomes, such as developing quality metrics, patient-reported outcome measures (PROMs), or patient satisfaction surveys.

AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS

Collaborating on public awareness campaigns to reduce stigma and promote early detection, prevention, and management of allergy and asthma, leveraging the reach and expertise of both patient organisations and EAACI member societies.

POLICY ADVOCACY

Collaborating on advocacy efforts to influence healthcare policies and regulations that affect patient care, access to treatments, and research funding.

RESOURCE SHARING

Developing and publishing resources, such as educational materials, toolkits, research findings, or best practices, to benefit both patients and healthcare professionals. Sharing updates, news and resources from committee members through the EAACI and POC communication channels.

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Offering training sessions or capacity-building programs for the committee members.

ACCOUNTABILITY

Reporting the committee activities to the EAACI Executive Committee (ExCom) annually or at any time requested.

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about the POC

