

'S' is for sure

Type S submissions to convert provisional to full registration

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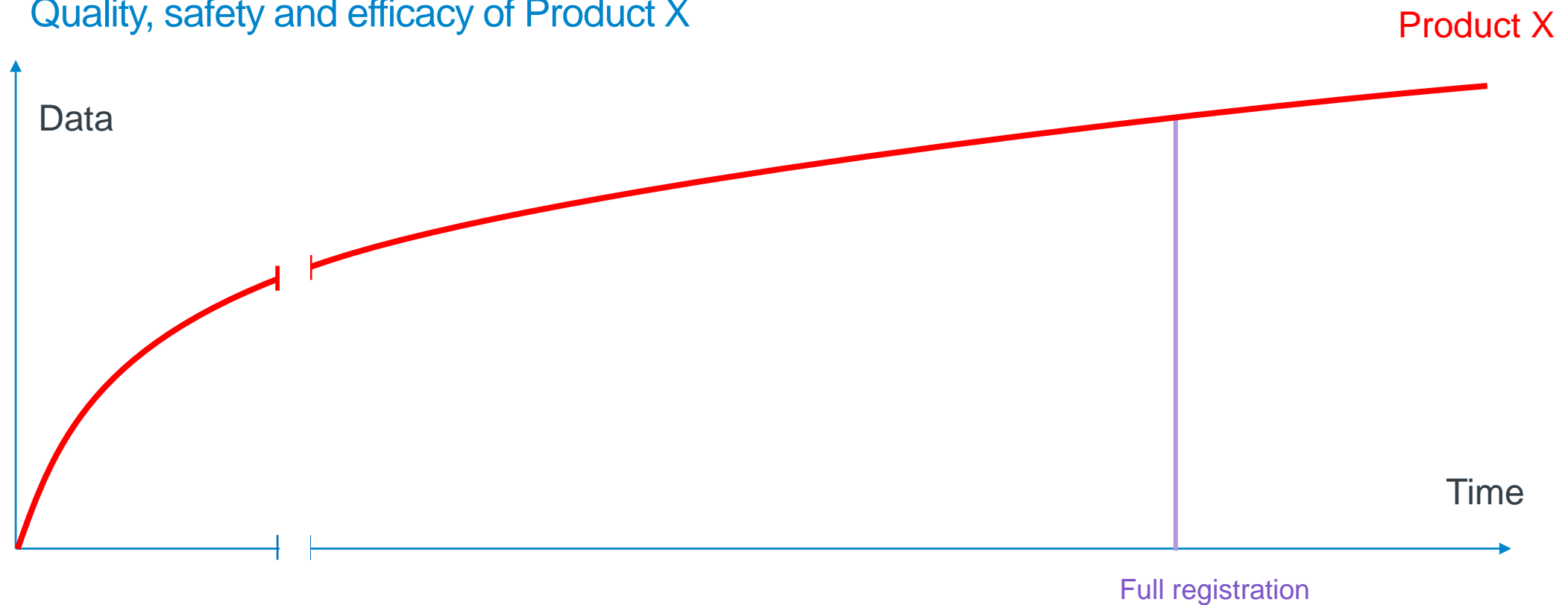
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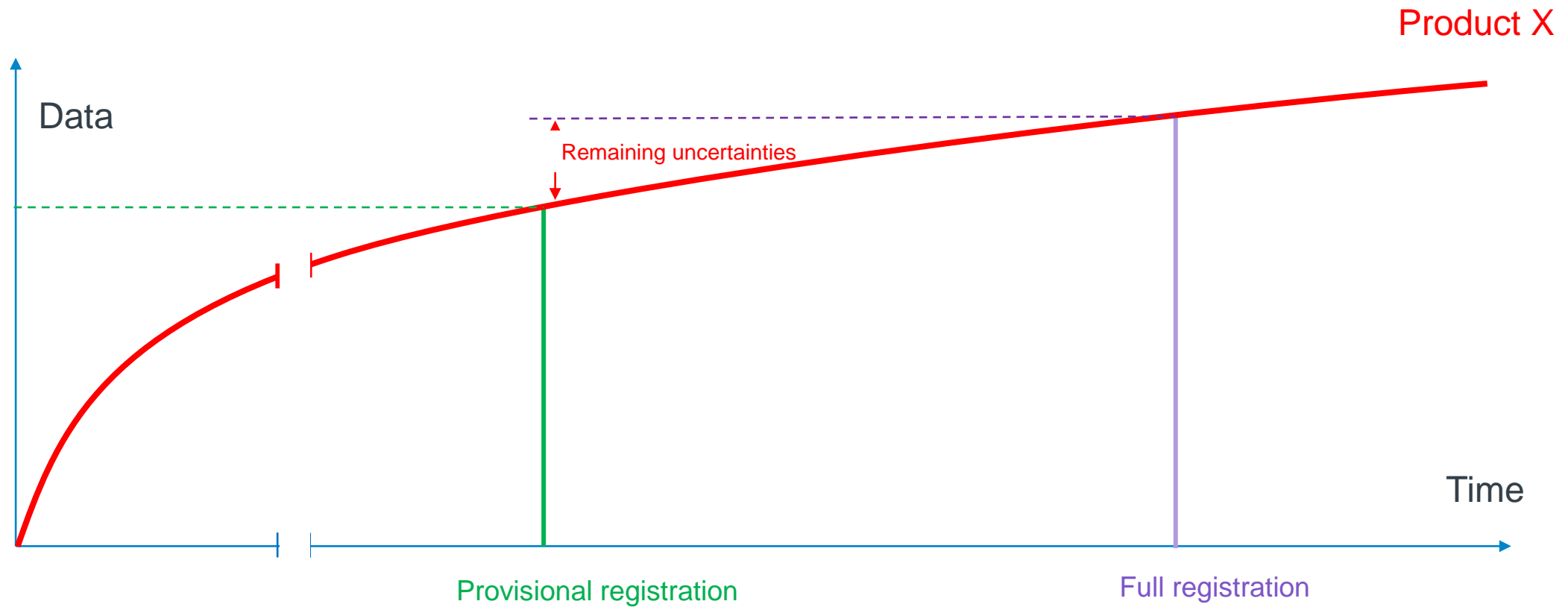


Data accumulates over time

Quality, safety and efficacy of Product X



Enter provisional



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- whether the **quality, safety and efficacy** of the goods for the purposes for which they are to be used have been satisfactorily established

Provisional registration:

- whether, based on **preliminary clinical data**, the **safety and efficacy** of the medicine for the purposes for which it is to be used have been satisfactorily established; and
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OR

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Built-in, transparent management of uncertainties

Requirement for a plan to obtain comprehensive data to address uncertainty.

Automatic lapse at 2 years unless:

- Extended for 2 more years (type T)
- **Converted to full (type S)**

Type T acts as a 2-yearly **checkpoint**:

- Is the plan going ok?

Maximum of 2 extensions (6 years total).

The plan goes into the Australia-Specific Annex to the Risk Management Plan.

TGA assesses it before granting provisional determination/registration or extensions.

Type T applications must be lodged **a minimum of 6 months** prior to the lapse date.

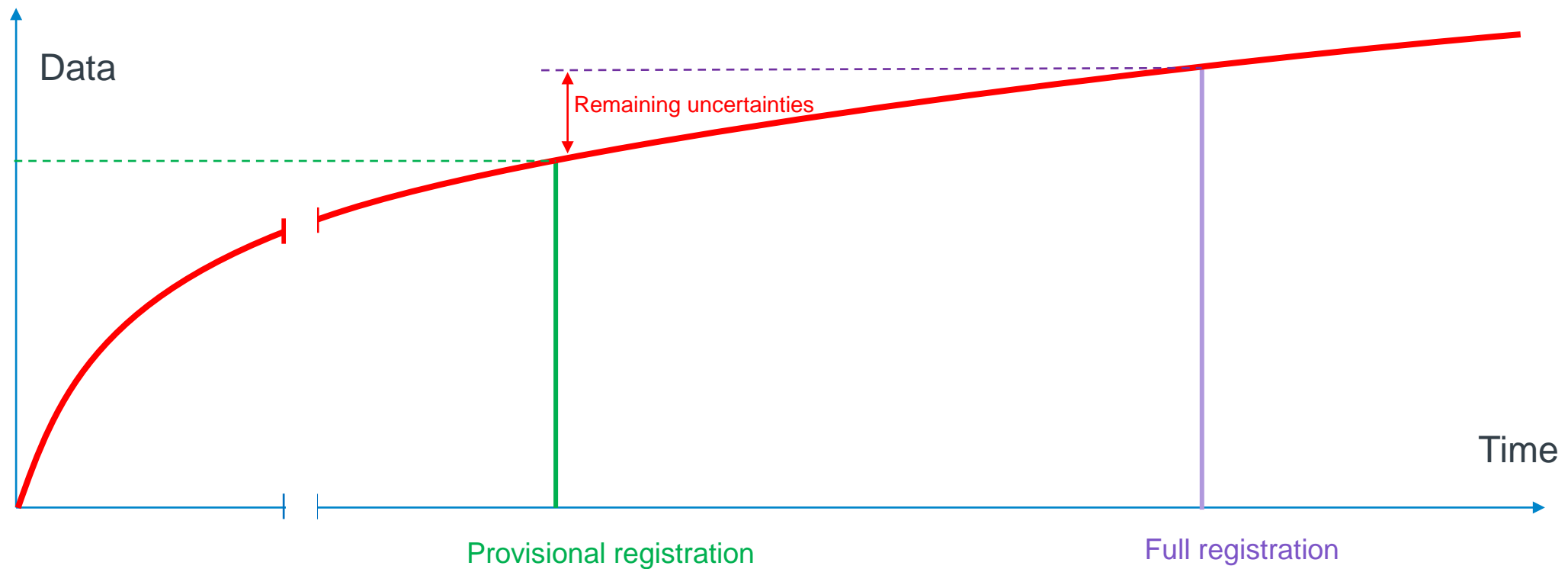
Also “anything else”

i.e. If approved, the 2 year extension applies from date that provisional registration would have lapsed, not from date of application.

Type S

Application to convert a provisional registration to full registration

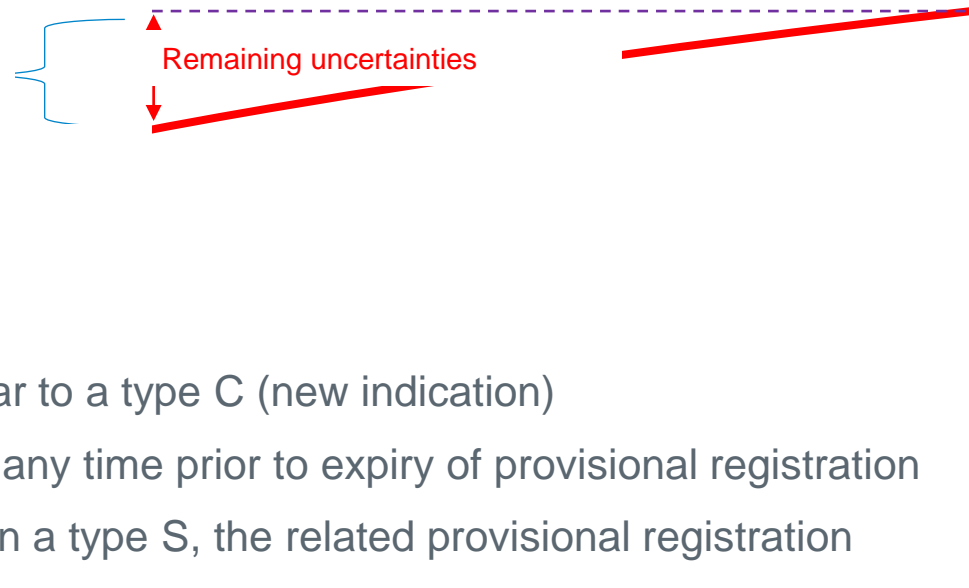
Product X



Type S

Application to convert a provisional registration to full registration

- Consists of the data gathered according to the following criteria:
 - Comprehensive
- The process is very similar to a type C (new indication)
- Type S can be submitted any time prior to expiry of provisional registration
- Until there is a decision on a type S, the related provisional registration continues



Full registration

What content might be in a type S?

Limitations of provisional dataset	Possible uncertainties	Comprehensive data might include
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No internal comparator Other statistical limitations 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Was this a chance finding? What would have happened in that group if you hadn't intervened? Time-to-event endpoints (PFS, OS) can't be reliably interpreted. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Reproduction 3. Randomisation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small group size Short duration of follow-up 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Low precision estimates (effect size, durability) Limited safety data (population, duration) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4&5. Additional patients/follow-up time

1 WHAT

2 WHEN

Tips for planning

FDA draft guidance on accelerated approvals and CT design in the oncology space:

<https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/fda-issues-draft-guidance-aimed-improving-oncology-clinical-trials-accelerated-approval>

EMA reflection paper on single arm trials supporting regulatory decisions:

<https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/establishing-efficacy-based-single-arm-trials-submitted-pivotal-evidence-marketing-authorisation>

What if...?

Things can change

- Open communication is key
- Shared philosophy

Scenarios:

1. What if 'confirmatory' trial fails?
2. What if we get to six years and there is still meaningful uncertainty?



Provisional pathway in the COVID-19 pandemic

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Role of the regulator – Therapeutic Goods Administration

- Therapeutic Goods Act 1989
 - establishment and maintenance of a national system of controls relating to the **quality, safety, efficacy and timely availability of therapeutic goods**

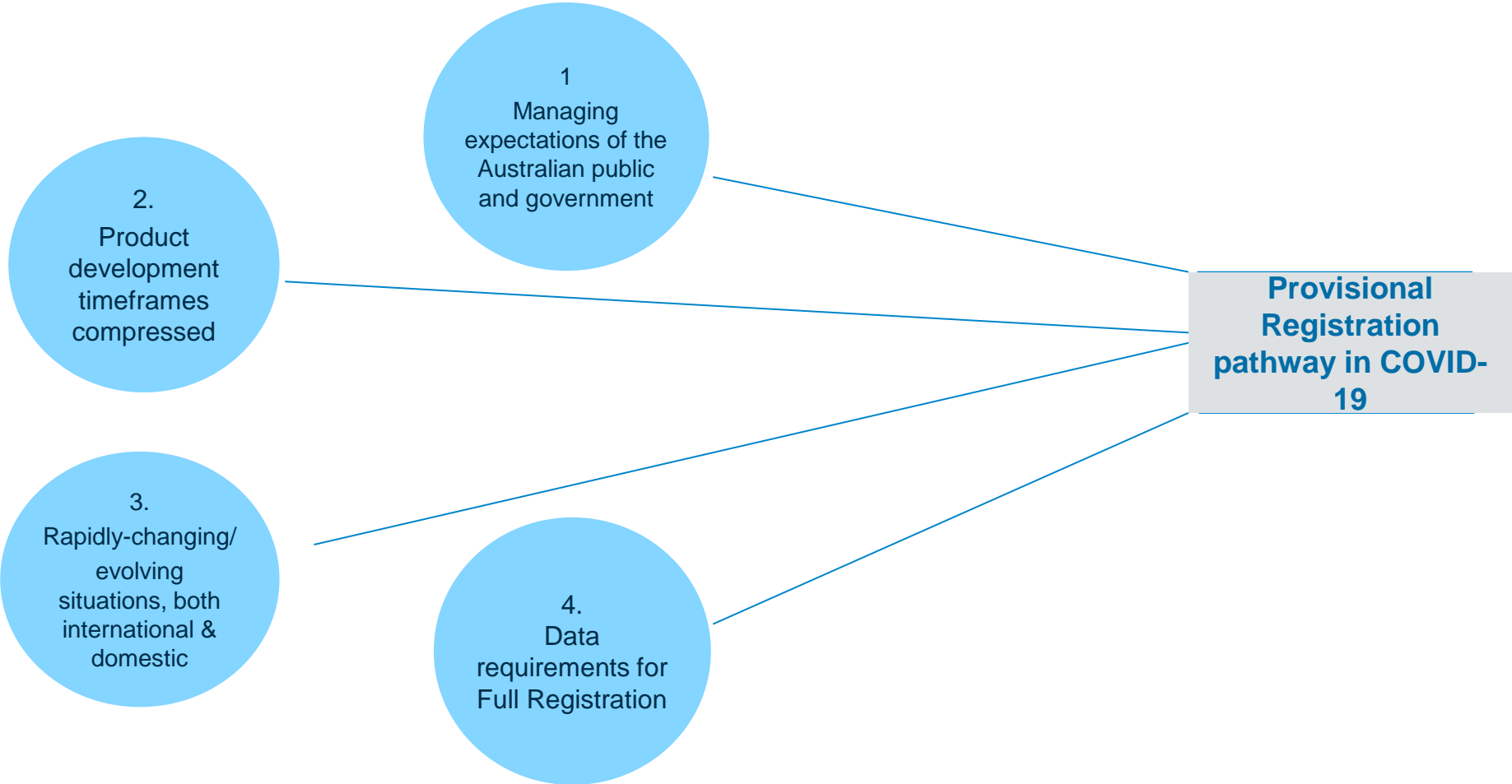
Regulation in a Pandemic: COVID-19

- Provisional Registration pathway
 - on the basis of preliminary clinical data, where the **benefit of early availability of the medicine** outweighs the risk that additional data are still required

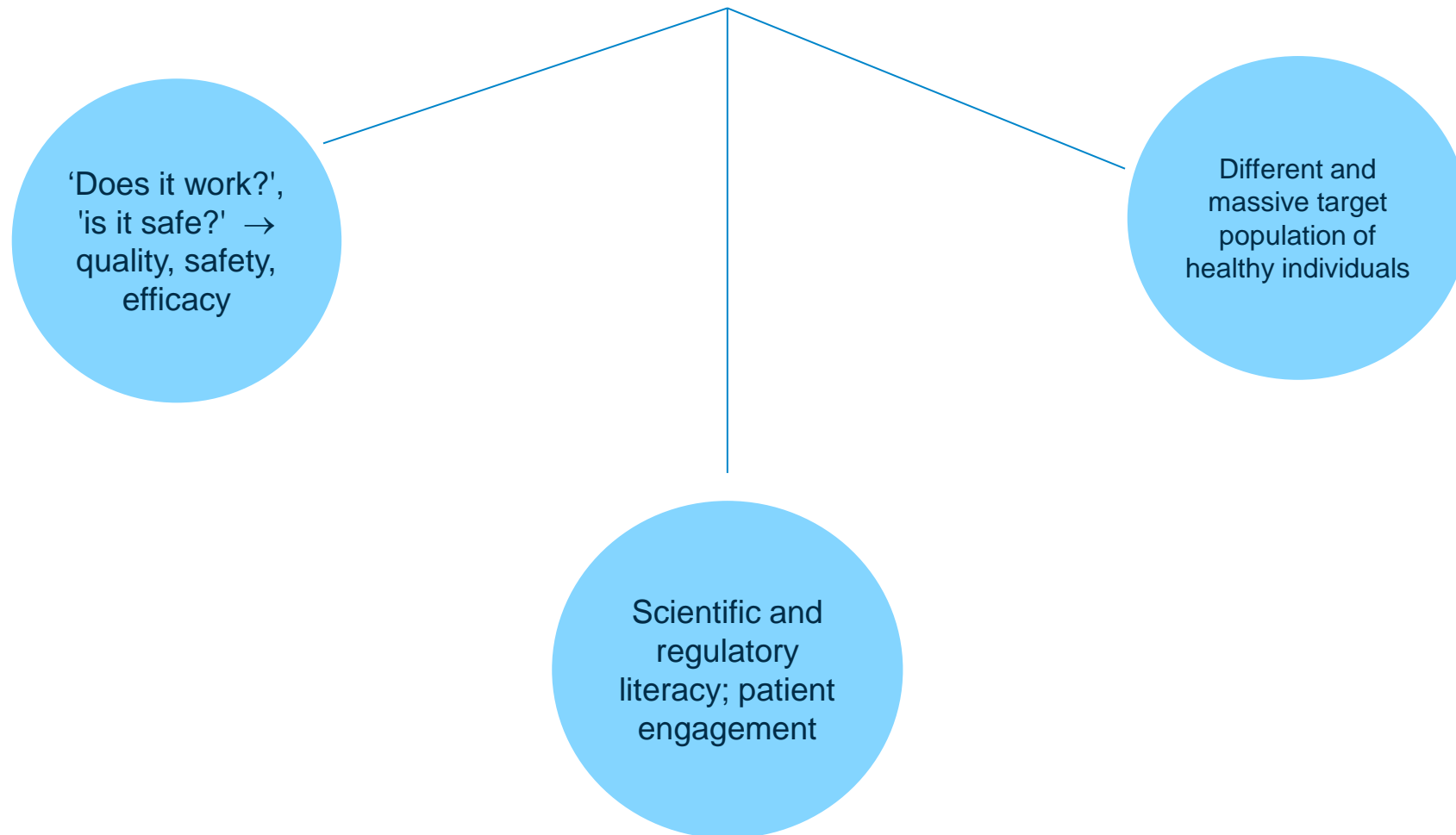
Fit for purpose – Emergency situation



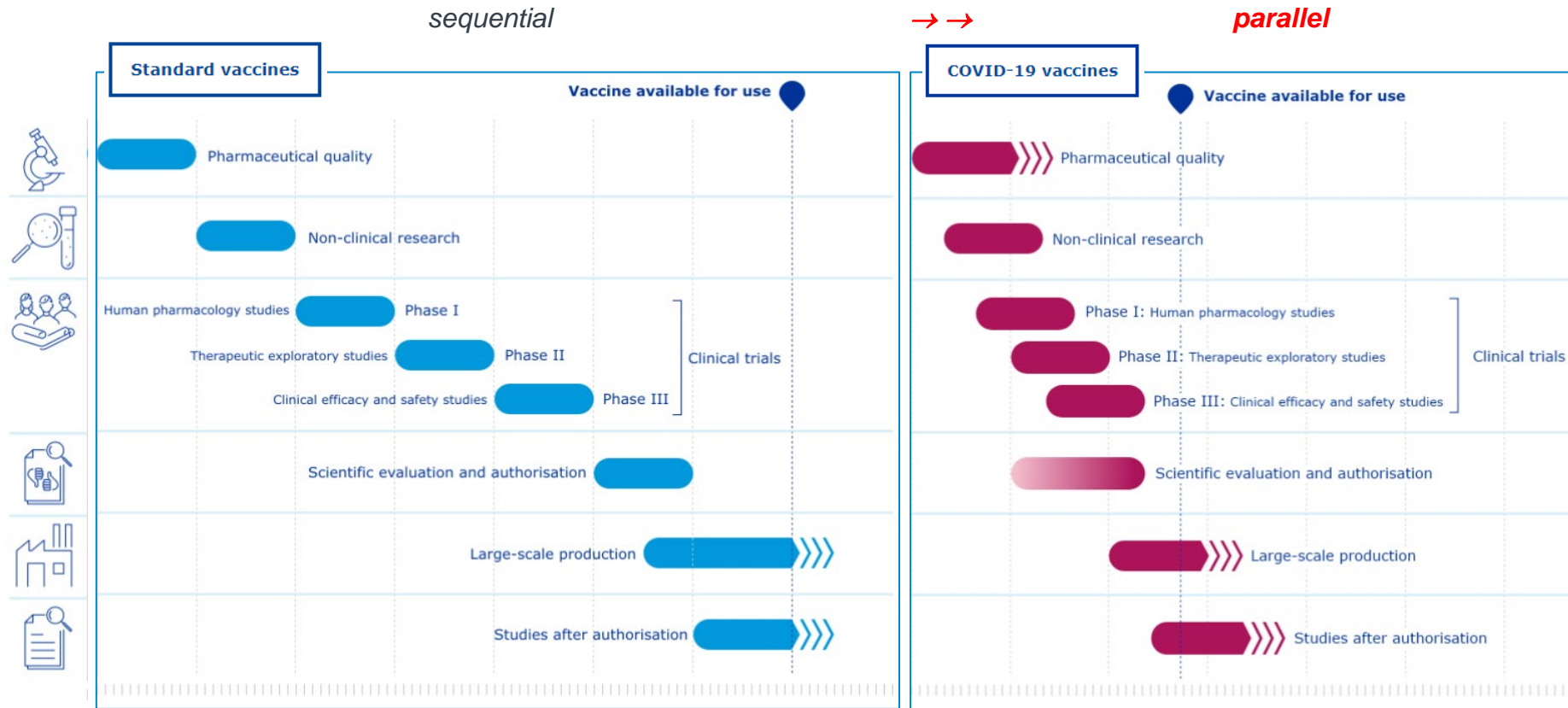
Challenges



Managing expectations of the Australian public and government



Product development timeframes compressed

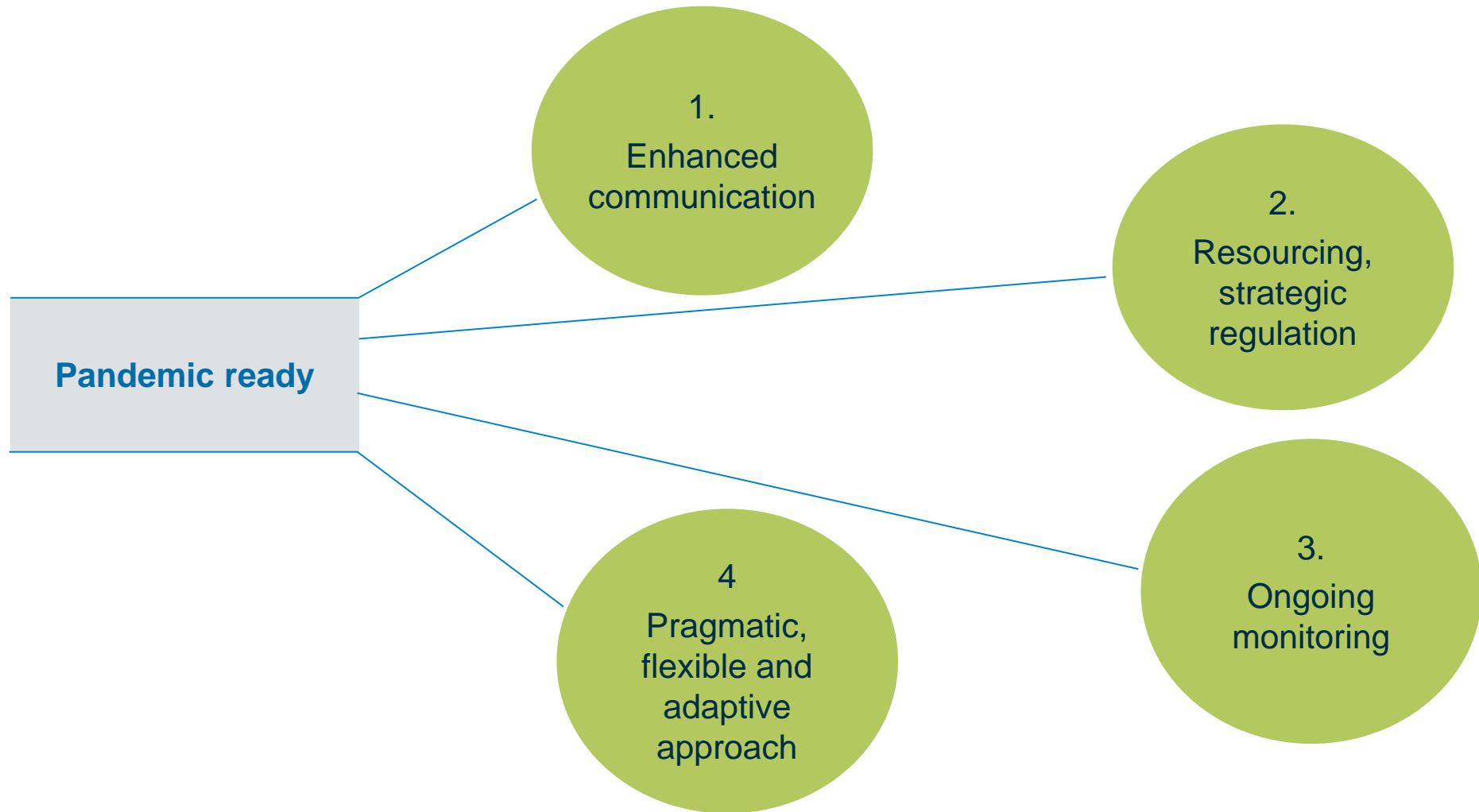


<https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/human-regulatory/overview/public-health-threats/coronavirus-disease-covid-19/treatments-vaccines/vaccines-covid-19/covid-19-vaccines-development-evaluation-approval-monitoring>
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Rapidly-changing/evolving situations, both international & domestic

**Outbreaks/waves and
variants**

TGA strategies and response



Enhanced communication

Internal

Department & internal
status updates

Broader government engagement

Cross portfolio meetings
& State and Territory
Government engagement

International Regulators

Share research and
information supporting
new COVID-19 vaccines

Sponsors (companies)

Manage rolling data

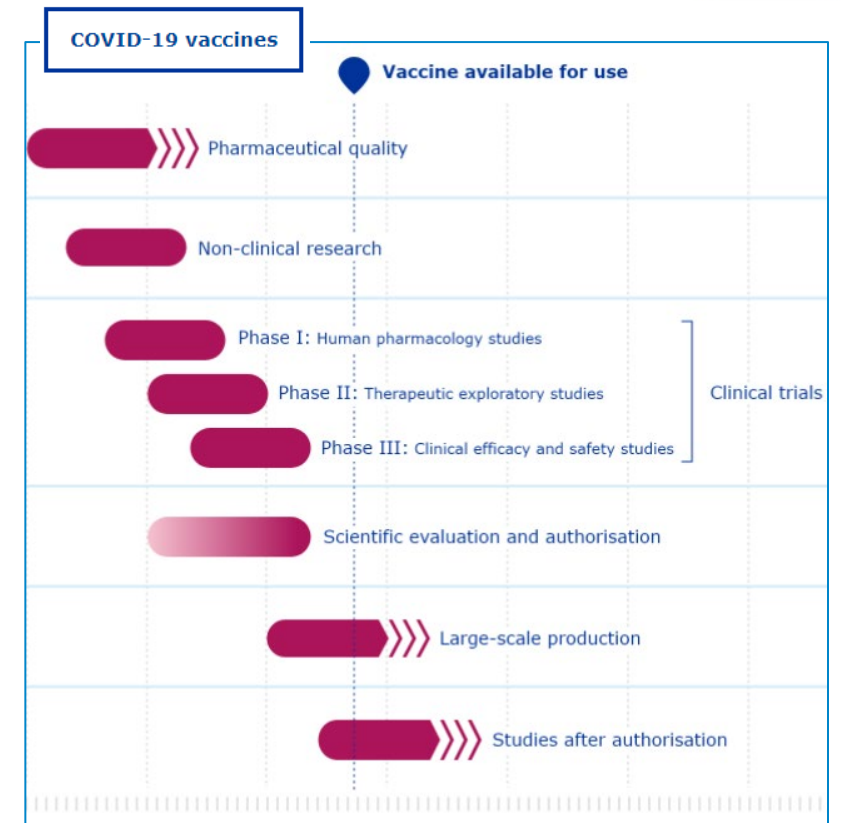
Resourcing, strategic regulation

- Additional layer of support to regulatory scientists/medical officers & Executive
- Liaison & coordination with internal/ external (companies, evaluators, broader Dept., Intl regulators)
- Communications, updates, queries (Minister, Senate Estimates, consumers)
- Strategic options, legislation (pathways, flexibilities in a pandemic)

Expedited evaluation process

Product development and regulatory evaluation timeframes compressed:

- Enhanced communication and planning:
 - weekly t/c with companies during evaluation
- Rolling data & 'informal' format
- Rapid and rolling review by evaluators:
 - highest priority work
 - additional hours
- Ad-hoc meetings of expert advisory committees
- International collaboration with other regulators



<https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/human-regulatory/overview/public-health-threats/coronavirus-disease-covid-19/treatments-vaccines/vaccines-covid-19/covid-19-vaccines-development-evaluation-approval-monitoring>

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COVID-19 vaccine and treatments: Provisional registrations

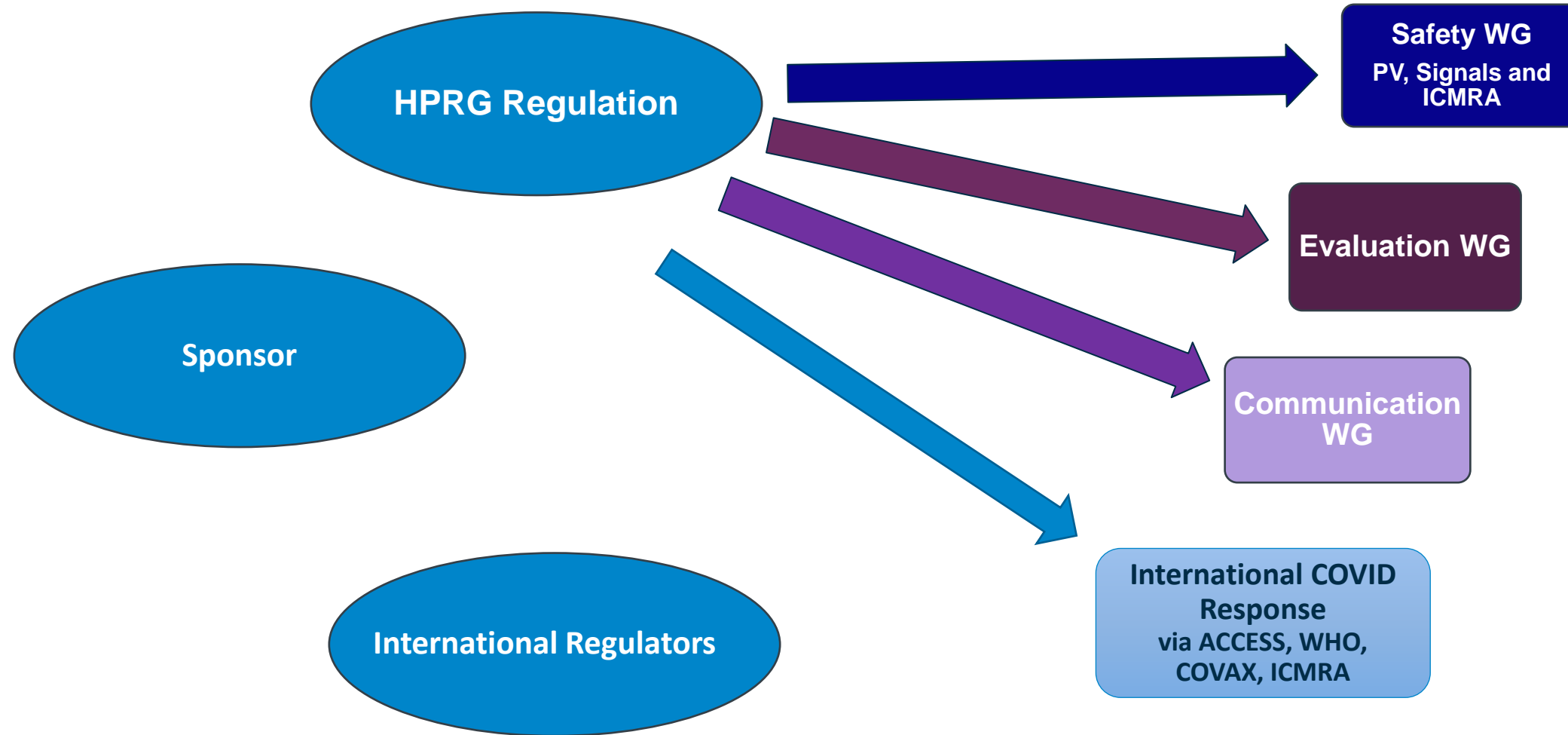
Before any COVID-19 vaccine is approved for use in Australia, it will be subject to the well-established and rigorous assessment and approval processes of the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA), part of the Department of Health.

[COVID-19 vaccine: Provisional registrations | Therapeutic Goods Administration \(TGA\)](#)

[COVID-19 vaccines undergoing evaluation | Therapeutic Goods Administration \(TGA\)](#)

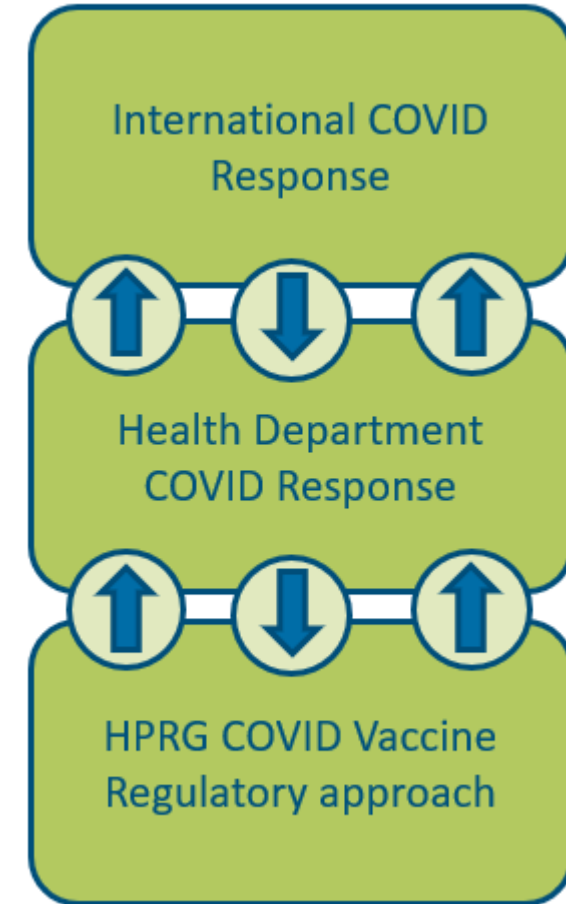
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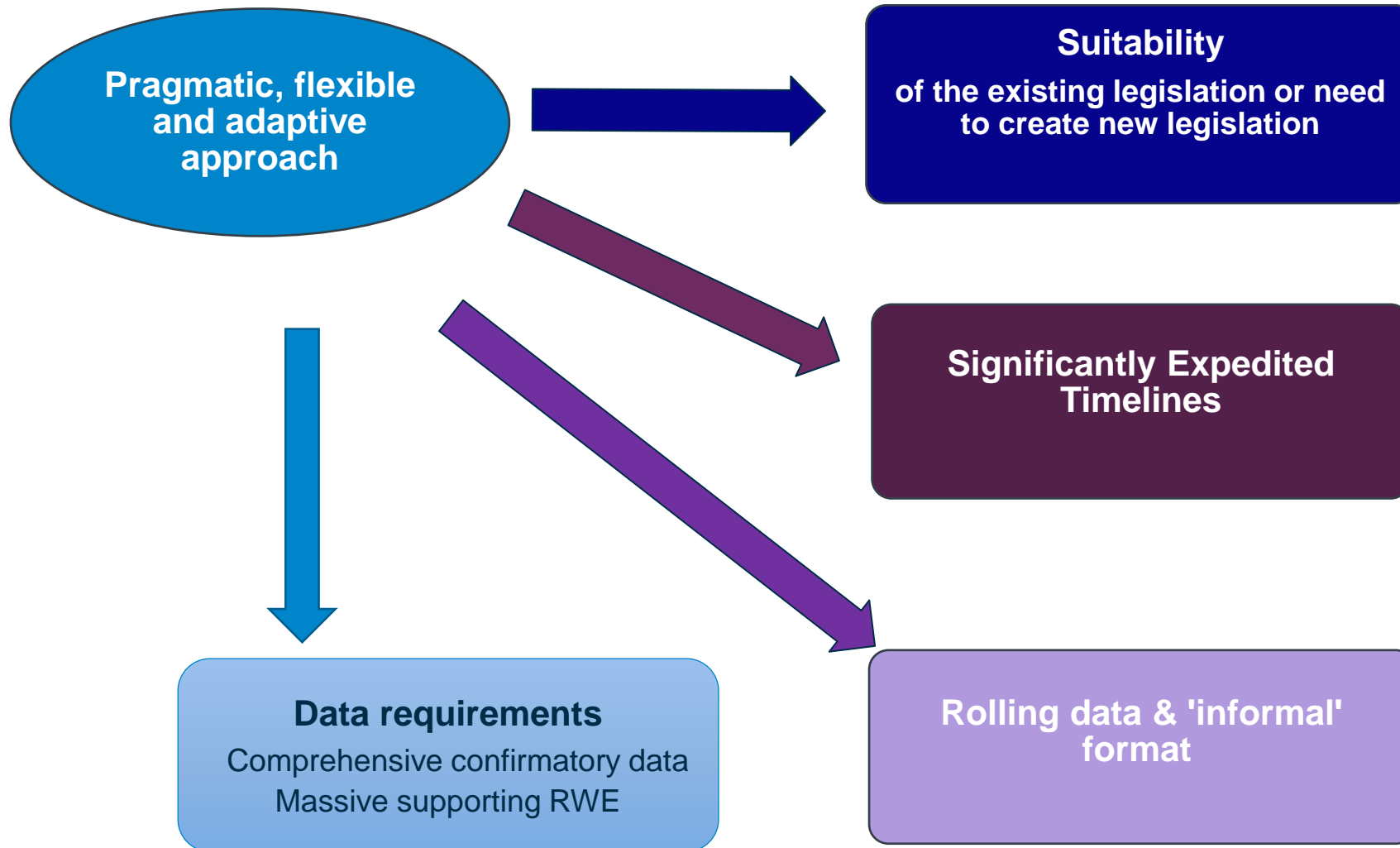
Ongoing monitoring



Global COVID response & interlinkages

- **TGA involvement with International COVID Response**
 - via WHO, COVAX, ICMRA & subgroups, ACCESS consortium
- **Health Department COVID response**
 - Multi-faceted - various programs mental health, immunisation, testing, Aged Care
 - National COVID vaccine strategy taskforce (5 teams)
 - ATAGI, OGTR, Communications
- **HPRG COVID regulatory approach**
 - Evaluation WG, Safety WG & Communications WG





Learnings- The Three “C” for S (Success)



Collaboration = Proactive

Communication = Open and enhanced

Confidence-building = gaining comfort/confidence in processes and regulatory framework



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