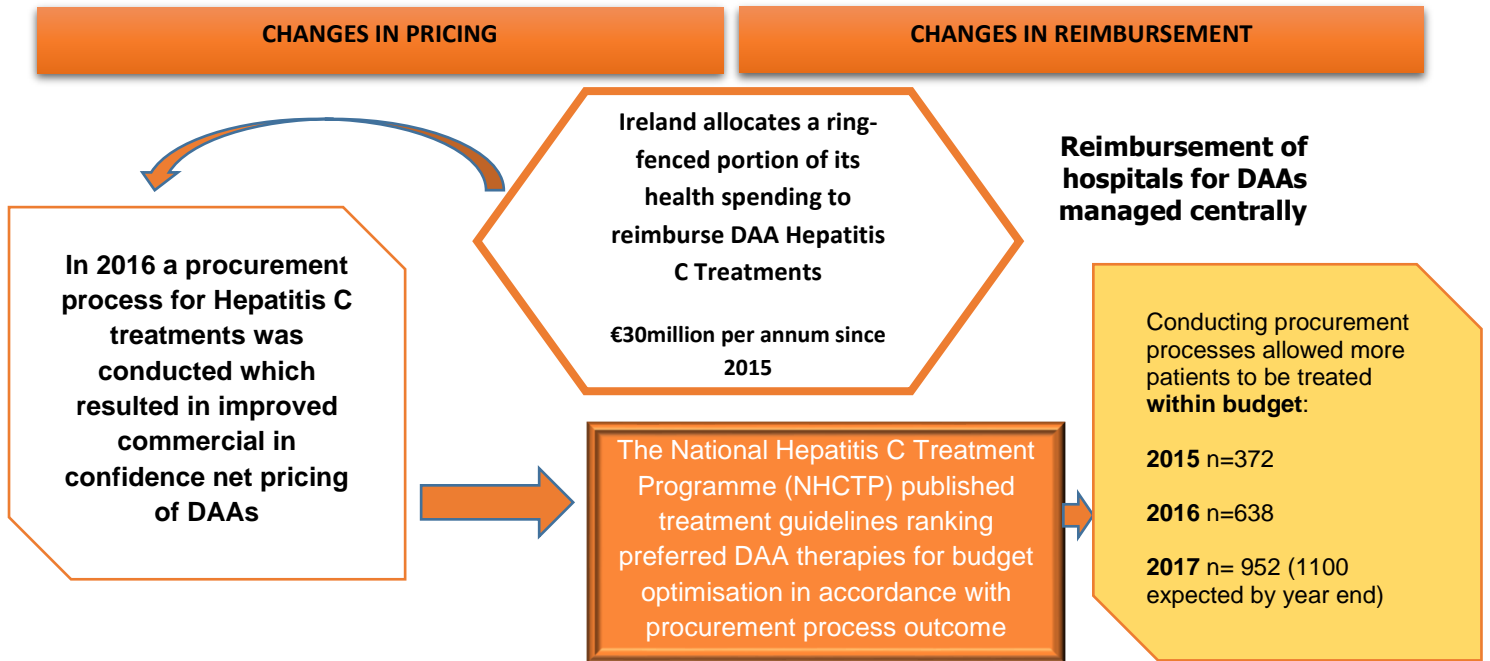


Ireland

Recent and planned developments in pharmaceutical policies 2017

Special topic: Hepatitis C hospital based medicines



Over 2016 and 2017:

- ✓ Additional pan-genotypic DAAs launched = removed single-supplier dominance in this space.
- ✓ Hospitals assigned treatment targets = for budget optimisation and to achieve projected treatment targets.
- ✓ Treatment prioritisation criteria expanded to allow clinicians treat according to their clinical judgement.
- ✓ A pilot scheme underway to expand the dispensing service to include drug treatment centres.
- ✓ An IT project is underway to make reimbursement process entirely electronic. This will improve efficiencies in the process.
- ✓ POLARIS Observatory Data indicates Ireland ahead of WHO 2030 targets.

