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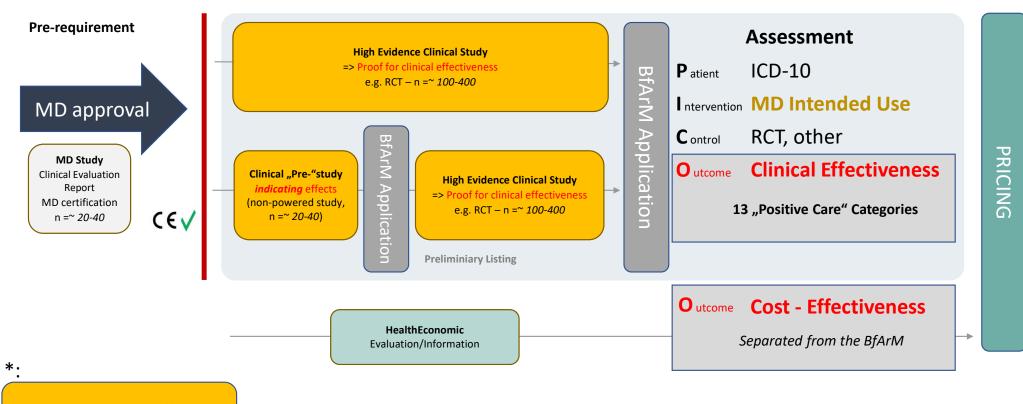
"Societal benefits" for each patients (not for society as a whole)

Patient-centered values generated by digital support



Regulatory procedure for DiGAs: "Fast Track"

Evidence based Digital Medicine – different clinical studies and outcomes



Clinical Studies on different aspects of "medical benefit"

"Positive Care Effects" – Outcome categories of the German DiGA

Patient-centered outcomes – new terminology needed?

Clinical outcomes (primary endpoints)

Medical benefits (for each patient)
Structural&Procedural benefits (for each patient)

Organizational outcomes - benefit/costs (appraisal considerations)

For patients
For healthcare provider
For payer





- 1. the improvement of the state of health
- 2. the reduction of the duration of a disease
- 3. the prolongation of survival
- 4. an improvement in the quality of life

Methodology Endpoints Trial Design









New Definition of "Positive Care Effects"(- Endpoints)

Patient-relevant improvement of structure and processes

- 1. coordination of treatment procedures
- 2. alignment of treatment with guidelines and recognized standards
- 3. adherence
- 4. facilitating access to care
- 5. patient safety
- 6. health literacy
- 7. patient autonomy shared decision making
- 8. coping with illness-related difficulties in everyday life
- 9. reduction of therapy-related efforts and strains for patients and their relatives



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New Endpoints used by DiGAs

Patient-relevant improvement of structure and processes



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Patient-centered structural/procedural Outcomes	Final listed DiGAs (28)	Preliminary listed DiGAs (21)
1. coordination of treatment procedures		
 alignment of treatment with guidelines and recognized standards 		1
3. adherence		
4. facilitating access to care		
5. patient safety		
6. health literacy	1	2
7. patient autonomy – shared decision making	3	
8. coping with illness-related difficulties in everyday life	1	1
 reduction of therapy-related efforts and strains for patients and their relatives 	1	

BfArM Verzeichnis, 49 DiGAs listed, Nov. 2023

