Call for Participants
ERDERA Young Patients Training

May 2-3, 2025

Athens, Greece

Are you a young patient with a rare disease interested in healthcare and research? The ERDERA project invites **paediatric patients aged 12 to 18 years** to take part in a training event in Athens, designed to empower young patients with the knowledge and skills to actively contribute to paediatric and rare diseases research.

The training, organized by the **TEDDY Network** with the support of c4c-S, IMAGINE, EURORDIS, will provide tailored educational content in English. Training materials — including **child-friendly resources, videos, serious games, webinars, and podcasts** —will be developed with a participatory approach and made available for translation and adaptation into national languages.

What to Expect?

- **Pre-training assessment** – Selected participants will complete an online test to assess their knowledge and interests, ensuring a personalized learning experience.
- **Interactive sessions & play-to-learn activities** – Led by paediatricians, researchers, psychologists, patient representatives, Young Persons Advisory Group facilitators, and ethical/regulatory experts.
- **Engagement in research** – Gain the skills to **actively contribute to research projects**, improve communication with stakeholders, and help shape future studies.
- **Future opportunities** – Trained participants will be invited to take part in upcoming ERDERA activities and collaborations within European projects.

Who can apply?

This opportunity is open **exclusively to young patients with rare diseases aged 12 to 18 years** who are eager to learn about research and healthcare.

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Training Topics:

- **Rare and genetic diseases specificities** – Understanding the unique challenges of rare and genetic conditions in paediatric patients.
- **Patients' and children's rights** – Ensuring ethical considerations and legal protections.
- **Clinical and translational research challenges** – Ethical and legal aspects of paediatric research and the role of young patients.
- **Patient engagement in clinical trials - Involvement in trials, consent/assent issues, innovative methodologies (PROMs, PREMs), and the role of lay summaries.**
- **Orphan Medicinal Products in paediatrics** – Availability and access in the EU, pharmacovigilance, and off-label use in paediatric settings.

How to apply?

Just fill the **registration form** *Link to the registration form*

Application deadline: April 12th, 2025

Join us in Athens to expand your knowledge and become an active voice in paediatric research!

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