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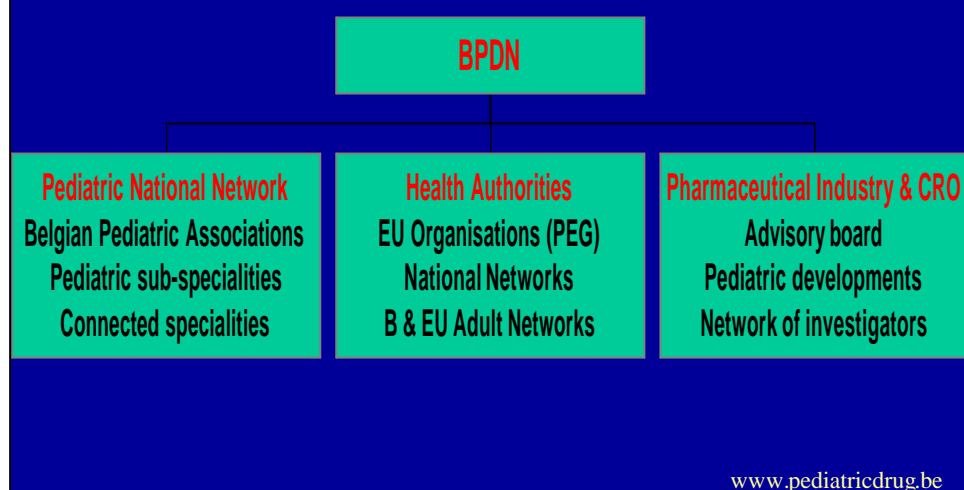
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WHY ?

- Long tradition of multicenter trials in belgian pediatric centers
- New legal requirements in belgian law re care to children and clinical research (EU directive)
- New EU regulation project
- Increasing gap between pediatric and adult clinical research
- Need to have a national network
- Need to identify, report and solve problems in therapeutic medicines for children

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- Not to be considered as a sub-speciality, but parallel and complementary to adult network
- Need (legal) to have a specific pediatric orientated structure
 - Specific approach, needs and environment
 - Needs underconsidered outside pediatric boards
 - Specific law and regulations

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To Pediatricians & Practitioners

- Increase awareness & inform pediatricians and GP's regarding use of medicines in children
- Promote GCP in Belgian Pediatrics
- Identify unmet needs
- Monitor off label use
 - Age specific
 - Indication - Disease Specific
- Improve pharmacovigilance reports
- Organise / facilitate academic research

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To Third Parties

- Offer pediatric expertise to ethical committees and health authorities
- Defend children's right to equal access to medicines
 - EU regulation: medicines
 - Insurance companies
 - Pharmaceutical industry advisory boards
 - Medical devices development
 - Hospital pharmacy and administration
- Offer established network for pharmaceutical industry pediatric research (in & out patients)

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Members

- Opinion leaders in Belgian Pediatric Research
- 7 belgian university hospitals
- Experienced researchers
 - Academic
 - Industry sponsored
- Leading specialists with pediatric practice
 - Epidemiology, anesthesiology, surgery,...
- Leading pediatric general hospitals

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