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National Cost Studies



NATIONAL COST STUDIES

National cost studies using a common methodology (ENCs) are conducted by the Technical Agency for Information on Hospital Care (ATIH) on a sample of public and private healthcare facilities. The aim is to calculate the costs of hospital care per stay or per care sequence.

These studies have covered the field of medicine, surgery and obstetrics (MSO) since 2006, medical care and rehabilitation (MCR) and hospital at home (HaH) since 2009.

PURPOSE OF COST STUDIES

➤ The healthcare costs obtained are used to:

- > **produce cost benchmarks**, i.e. national average costs by homogeneous patient groups in MSO, medico-economic groups in MCR or homogeneous care groups in HaH
- > **conduct medico-economic classification work** within ATIH
- > **guide the thinking** of national stakeholders on financing models and as a tool for setting MSO prices.

➤ For a healthcare facility, the benefits of joining an ENC include:

- > **having access to its own costs** for all stays (MSO, MCR full hospitalisation), days (MCR partial hospitalisation) or care sequences (HaH) carried out during the year
- > **comparing** its costs with those of the benchmark
- > **identifying and centralising all cost data** (medical expenses, payroll, purchases, etc.)
- > **consolidating the management control tools it uses** internally
- > **uniting its teams** around a common goal.

DATA COLLECTED IN HEALTHCARE FACILITIES

➤ Information on stays/care sequences from the Medicalisation of Information Systems Programme (PMSI)

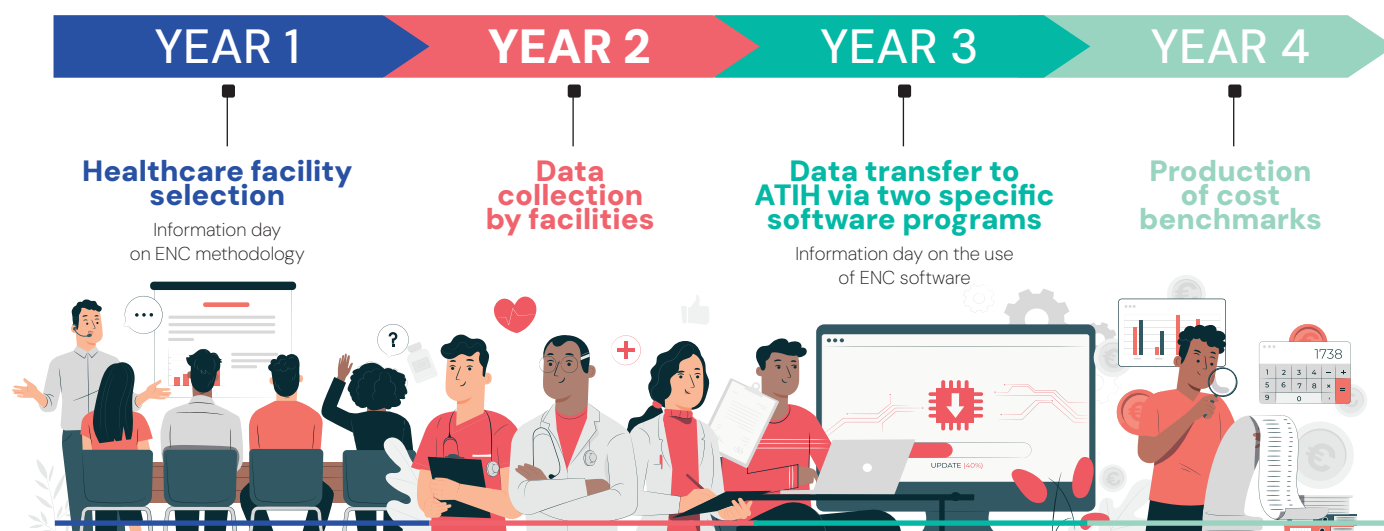
➤ Cost accounting data using a specific methodology

➤ Additional information to link certain costs to each stay or care sequence, including:

- > **for all areas of activity**: medical costs (pharmaceutical specialties, medical equipment, consumables, etc.) and the units of work consumed by the patient during their stay, by medico-technical platform
- > **for HaH**: for healthcare professionals working in the patient's home, the minutes per visit for salaried healthcare professionals and the fees per visit invoiced by self-employed healthcare professionals
- > **for MCR**: the minutes spent by healthcare professionals carrying out rehabilitation and readaptation procedures, and the points for individualised nursing care for the patient (SIIPS).



TIMETABLE FOR COST STUDIES



HOW TO TAKE PART IN COST STUDIES

Healthcare facility selection

Since 2017, a decree has governed the selection process. Interested healthcare facilities apply to ATIH, which may also designate facilities whose characteristics would improve the reliability of the sample. Depending on their ability to apply the ENC methodology, facilities are either directly included in the sample of participants or are offered recommendations or support to apply the following year.

Contractual arrangements

- > An agreement is signed between ATIH and the healthcare facility, which undertakes to provide the human and technical resources (medical and administrative) necessary to carry out the study and to provide high-quality data.
- > For its part, ATIH guarantees the confidentiality of all information exchanged and provides each institution with a supervisor to assist it in carrying out the study.

Funding for participation

- > In return for the resources committed to producing the requested data, the healthcare facility receives funding made up of:
 - a fixed amount, identical for all healthcare facilities
 - a variable amount, calculated pro rata to its activity.

Funding per campaign year	MSO	MCR	HaH
Fixed amount	€35,000	€35,000	€35,000
Variable amount	€0.45 / weighted RSA* *anonymous discharge summary	€0.70 / RHA* *anonymous weekly summary	€0.10 / day

In addition, reductions or increases are applied depending on data quality and adherence to the schedule.

WHERE TO FIND COST DATA

At the end of each ENC campaign, the cost benchmarks are published online on the ATIH website scansante.fr.

The data includes:

- > average costs per **stay**, per **care sequence** or per **day**
- > a breakdown of costs **by expense item**.

Healthcare facilities participating in the ENC also receive **their individual cost base**, with **the value of each stay broken down by expense item**.



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