

# Wildcards



**USEFUL TERMS**

**CTA – Clinical Trial Approval:**  
An application has to be filed and approval obtained from MHRA before any clinical trials can start.

**EMA – European Medicines Evaluation Agency:**  
Regulates medicines and health care across the European Union. As part of their job they take decisions about the testing of new and licensing of new medicines.

**MAA – Marketing Authorisation Application**  
This is documentation which has to be obtained before a new drug is put on the market or an existing drug is used to treat a different disease.

**MHRA - The Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency**  
The UK government agency responsible for making sure that medicines and medical devices work, and are acceptably safe.

**NICE – National Institute of Health and Clinical Excellence**  
NICE produces guidance on:  
• public health – it promotes good health and helps prevent ill health at work  
• health technologies – it advises on the use of new and existing medicines and treatments within the NHS  
• clinical practice – it advises on the treatment of specific diseases within the NHS.

**R&D - Research and Development:**  
The part of a pharmaceutical company that comes up with the ideas for new medicines and develops them to the stage where they can be manufactured and marketed.

**IF YOU ROLL** **Approval**  
give yourself a round of applause

**IF YOU ROLL** **Paperwork nightmare**  
lose a turn

**IF YOU ROLL** **FDA requests more clinical trials**  
go back to 13

**IF YOU ROLL** **Rejected**  
go back to 4

**IF YOU ROLL** **Hard to enroll patients**  
lose a turn

**IF YOU ROLL** **Unexpected side effects**  
go back to 4

**IF YOU ROLL** **Not as effective as you believed**  
go back to 4

**IF YOU ROLL** **Poor patient compliance gives bad data**  
lose a turn

**IF YOU ROLL** **Everything goes smoothly**  
advance 1

**IF YOU ROLL** **Drug doesn't work**  
back to 2

**IF YOU ROLL** **Unexpected side effects**  
back to 4

**IF YOU ROLL** **Successful completion**  
advance

**IF YOU ROLL** **Test incomplete**  
go back to 3

**IF YOU ROLL** **Medicine not effective**  
go back to 4

**IF YOU ROLL** **Advance**  
advance

Time = 10-15 years



**“THE PATIENT is WAITING...”**