

# Boosting digital health through legislative initiatives in Germany

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#### some decisive steps towards widespread uptake of Digital Health ...

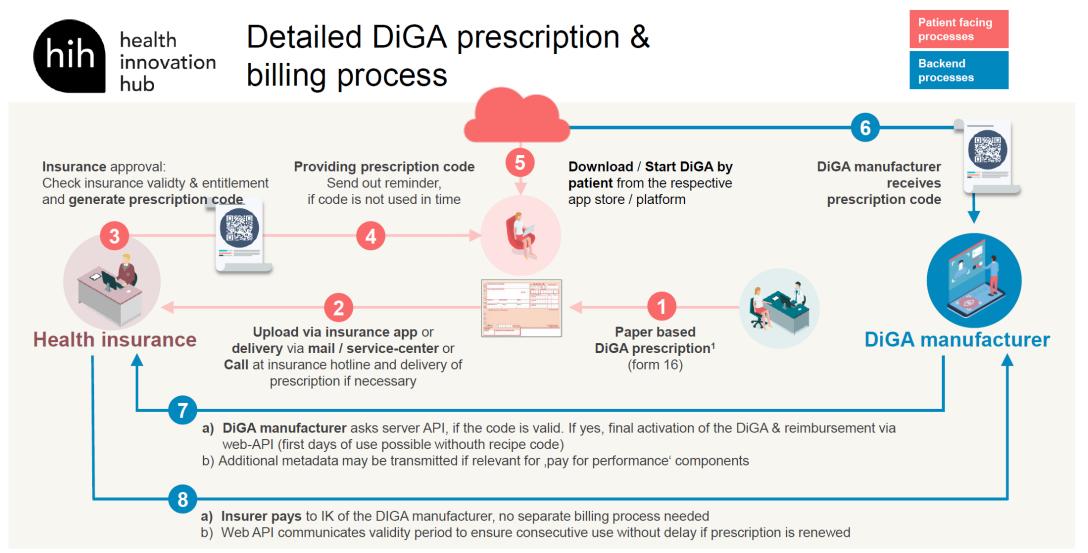
- Assets: Digital/digitised hospital EHRs, imaging, reimbursement, telehealth;
   Barriers: Lack of integration, life-long EHRs, Data-driven care, Apps/mHealth
   NB: Specialist care dominated by office-based specialists, many single-handed
- Digitisation initiatives:
  - Secure network covering ambulatory services, hospitals, pharmacies
     Health Telematics Infrastructure (TI) completely rolled-out, hardware connectors.
  - Service roll-out for emergency data management, electronic medication plan, secure email communication (KIM – obligatory from October for sickness leave certificates)
     [KIM will usher in the end of fax, doctor's letters paid via KIM only]
  - Upcoming: EHR, secondary data use, a secure messenger (Matrix), DiGA, DIPA



### ePA (Electronic Health Records) Germany: Roadmap 2021 - 2024

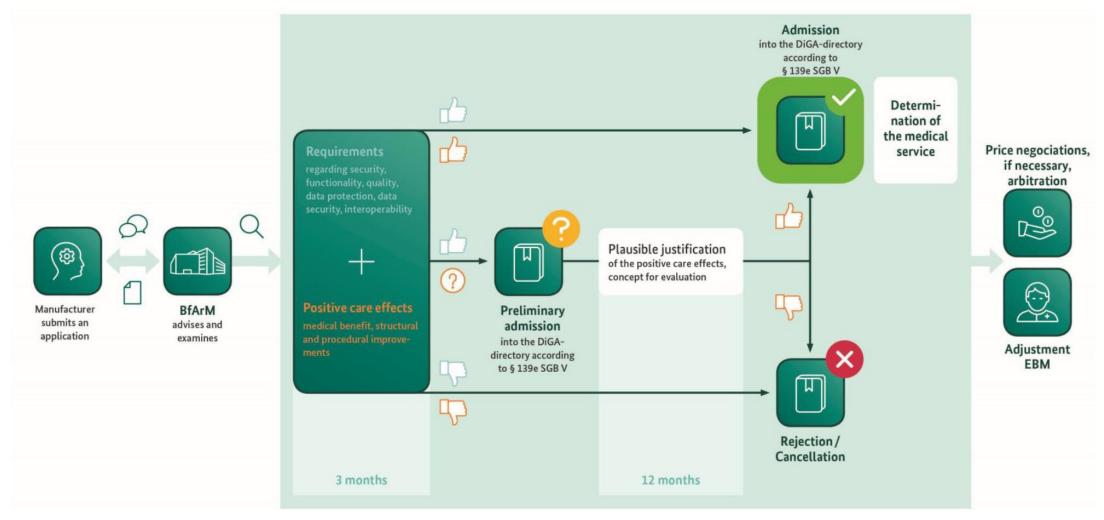
- E-Health-Act (EHG) [21.12.2015] Act for secure digital communication and applications in the health sector Gesetz für sichere digitale Kommunikation und Anwendungen im Gesundheitswesen
- Appointment Service and Supply Act (TSVG) [11 May 2019] Terminservice- und Versorgungsgesetz
- Digital Healthcare Act (DVG) [19 December 2019]
  Act to Improve Healthcare Provision through Digitalisation and Innovation / Digitales Versorgungsgesetz
- Digital Health Applications Ordinance (DiGAV) [21 April 2020]
- We Hospital Future Act (KHZG) Krankenhauszukunftsgesetz [18 September 2020]
  Digitisation programme supported by € 4,3 bn jointly funded by Federal (3 bn) and states (1,3 bn)
- German Patient Data Protection Act (PDSG) [20 October 2020]
  Sharing Data for research purposes, integrating medications/eRx, image files
- Digital Care and Nursing Modernisation Act (DVPMG) [9 June 2021]

# Digital Therapeutics (DiGA) – prescribing Apps for reimbursement



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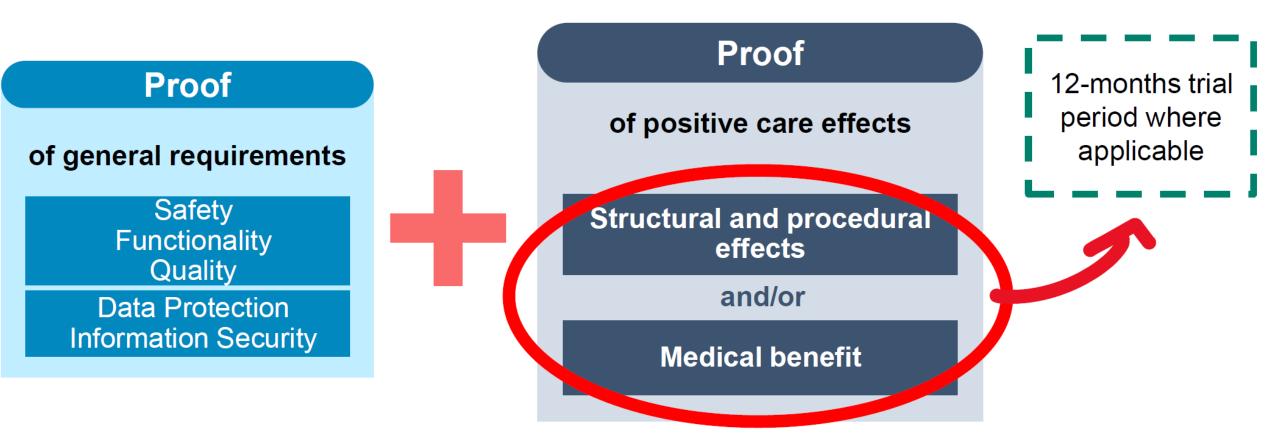
### Digital Health Applications Ordinance (DiGAV) – Fast Track Procedure





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#### Digital Health Applications Ordinance (DiGAV) - Proof of Evidence





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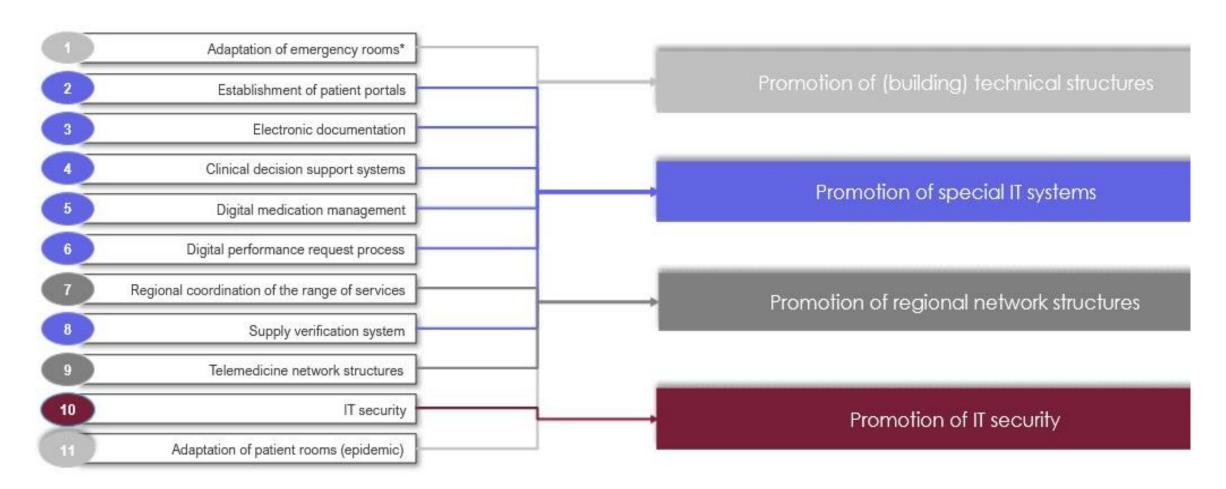
# **Hospital Future Act / Hospital Funding and Digital Maturity**





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#### Hospital Future Act: Domains in focus of funding and Digital Maturity





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#### Hospital Future Act: Digital Maturity and (distinct) penalty assessments

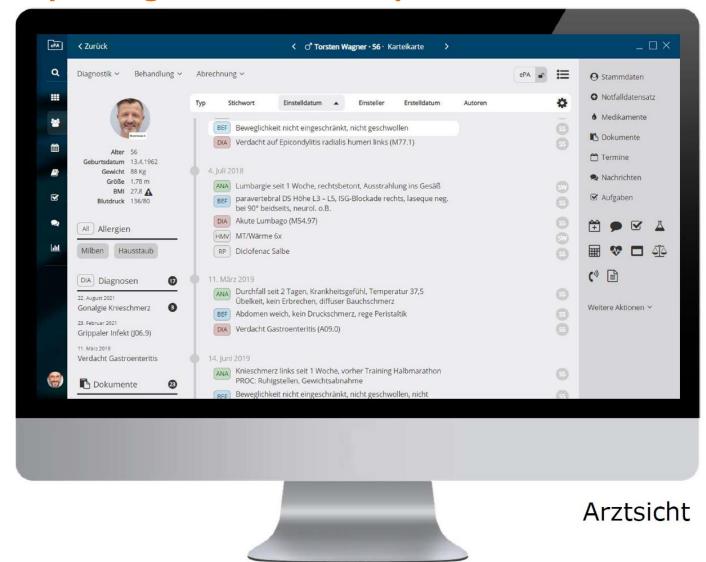




### Smart, mobile platforms – putting health data in patients hands

#### Patientensicht





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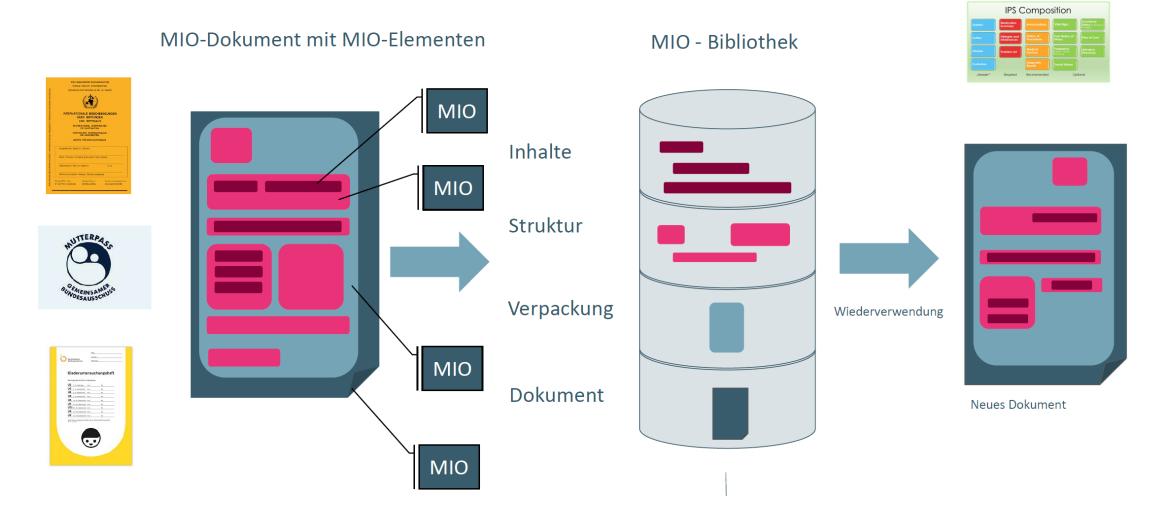


#### ePA (Electronic Health Records) Germany: Roadmap 2021 - 2024

- ePA 1.1 from January 2021 (roll-out just getting pace as of September 2021)
   Comprehensive digital support of the patient-doctor relationship
- ePA 2.0 from January 2022
   Involving more health professional groups (physiotherapists, midwives)
- ePA 3.0 from January 2023
   Sharing Data for research purposes, integrating medications/eRx, image files
- ePA 4.0 from January 2024
   Options for connecting cross-border eHealth applications



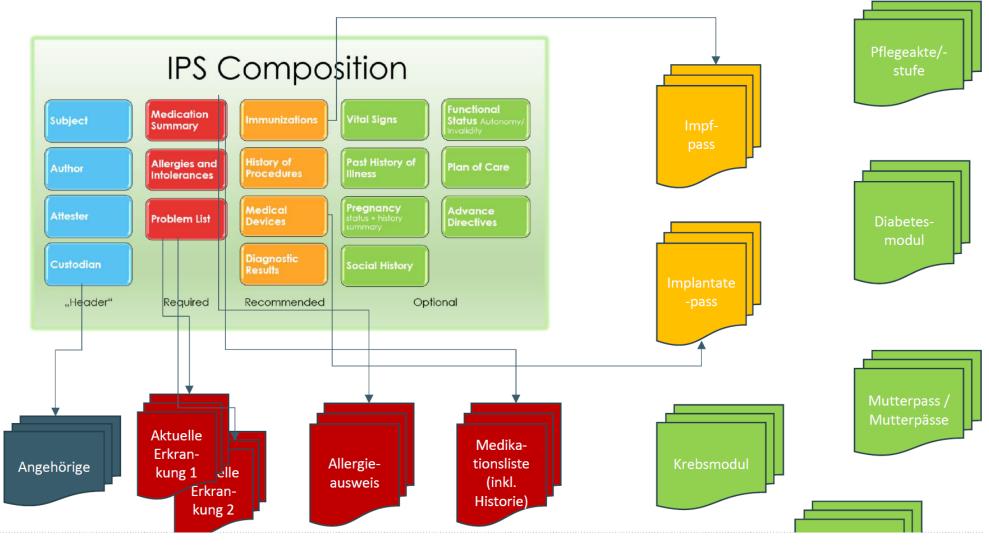
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