National Nursing Workforce Strategy

Strategy Steering Committee

Meeting Communique 6 December 2023

The third meeting of the National Nursing Workforce Strategy Steering Committee (SSC) was held on 6 December 2023. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the interim outcomes of completed stakeholder consultation and environmental scans, and how they will inform the National Nursing Workforce Strategy (Strategy).

This meeting reviewed the methodology of the nursing supply and demand model being undertaken by the Department of Health and Aged Care (Department). Results of this model will be published early 2024.

Members discussed the complexity of issues from the nursing profession and that there is not a single or linear root cause of the issues identified in the interim outcomes of stakeholder consultation. Members agreed to participate in a workshop to undertake a deep dive into the themes identified.

Consultation activities are still underway, and the online survey, written submissions and video submissions have been extended to 20 December 2023. You can find details via the Department’s [consultation hub](https://consultations.health.gov.au/consultation_finder/?sort_on=iconsultable_enddate&sort_order=ascending&advanced=1&st=open#cs-finder-results-container).

The next SSC meeting will take place in March 2024, where the committee will be presented with the final results of the stakeholder consultation and the environmental scan which complete Stage One of development of the Strategy.

Stakeholders are encouraged to receive updates on development via the Strategy [website](https://www.health.gov.au/our-work/national-nursing-workforce-strategy?utm_source=health.gov.au&utm_medium=redirect&utm_campaign=digital_transformation&utm_content=nnws) or by signing up to the Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officer [newsletter](https://www.health.gov.au/using-our-websites/subscriptions/subscribe-to-our-nursing-and-midwifery-newsletter).