



FIRST NATIONS HEALTH FUNDING TRANSITION ADVISORY GROUP

Communique

28 November 2024

The First Nations Health Funding Transition Advisory Group met virtually on 28 November 2024. The meeting was chaired by David Hicks, First Assistant Secretary, Financial Management Division.

First Nations Health Funding Transition Program Review

The Advisory Group discussed the results of a survey of specific program owners to understand potential barriers to transition and program co-design with First Nations peoples. Key findings underscore the need for the Department to ensure it develops a coherent and consistent transition approach, support for program-level transitions and close engagement with the Advisory Group in transition planning.

Transition roadmap

A revised transition roadmap for 32 programs was reviewed by the Advisory Group. Transition timeframes were updated with program owners to reflect current and upcoming program evaluations, re-design and potential transition points. Members will receive transition roadmap updates at monthly meetings to share progress, lessons learned, highlight successful transition activities and identify areas requiring additional focus.

Commonwealth Implementation Joint Working Group

Members were updated on the Department's First Nations Health Funding Transition Program presentation at the Commonwealth Implementation Joint Working Group on 25 November 2024. The Department acknowledged the Advisory Group's immense contribution to the program and ongoing guidance to the transition roadmap's implementation.

2025 Meetings

This was the final meeting for 2024. Monthly meetings will recommence from February 2025.

Engagement and Further Information

Organisations and individuals seeking to engage with the review should feel comfortable to reach out to Advisory Group members. Further information on the review is available by emailing: funding.transition@health.gov.au.