



National Roadmap to Improve the Health and Mental Health of Autistic People

Autism Health Roadmap Working Group Meeting 10

The Autism Health Roadmap Working Group (the Working Group) was formed in May 2023 to provide expert advice and oversee development of a National Roadmap to Improve the Health and Mental Health of Autistic People (the Autism Health Roadmap).

Meeting 10 (11 November 2024)

Introduction

The meeting was chaired by the chair two of the deputy co-chairs.

The meeting was opened by welcoming everyone to the meeting and an acknowledgement of country was made.

Members were asked to declare any conflicts of interest that were not previously declared to the secretariat. None were declared.

Revised Actions and timelines for implementation

The Department of Health and Aged Care (the department) made changes to the Actions in the Autism Health Roadmap based upon feedback from the public consultation and from the Working Group. Changes to the Actions for all Focus Areas (A-F) were explained and discussed.

Working Group members provided feedback on the changes to the Actions. A broad range of topics and viewpoints were discussed. A key point raised throughout the feedback was refining the language used to frame the Actions, and the needs of specific populations.

Revised Guiding Principles

The department updated the Guiding Principles based upon the feedback from the public consultation and the Working Group. The department provided an update on the changes and the reasons behind the changes.

Working Group members provided valuable feedback about the changes in language to the Guiding Principles. A broad range of topics and viewpoints were discussed with a focus on how the language changes impact the desired outcomes.

Next step

Following the meeting the department emailed the presentations for meeting 10 and an out of session paper requesting feedback on the section 'autism and Autistic Health'. The Working Group will reconvene for the final time on 4 December 2024.