



# Roadmap Implementation Governance Group (RIGG) Meeting Summary – 27 November 2024

## Introduction

The Chair welcomed members to the eleventh meeting of the Roadmap Implementation Governance Group (RIGG), gave an Acknowledgement of Country, and an acknowledgement of lived experience.

The Chair gave a verbal declaration about confidentiality and asked Members to declare any conflicts of interest. No new conflicts of interest were declared by Members.

## Previous meeting

The previous meeting summary was endorsed by members with no change.

## Follow-up on action items

There were 3 action items from the last meeting. Work is complete or underway for all items.

## Primary Care Enhancement Program (PCEP) Evaluation and Next Steps

Members heard from Genevieve Johnsson, PCEP lead from the Department of Health and Aged Care. She was joined by guest-speakers Clare Woods, PCEP Facilitator from Central and Eastern Sydney Primary Health Network (CESPHN), and Professor Fran Boyle, project leader of the PCEP Evaluation from the University of Queensland (UQ).

Genevieve provided an overview of the PCEP and the phase one evaluation findings up to June 2024. In phase one, each of the four pilot PHNs had independently developed the types of training activities and resources they wanted to deliver under PCEP. In September 2024, the Department released the executive summary of the final Primary Care Enhancement Program Evaluation Report. The evaluation found that PCEP uptake was initially slow but gained momentum toward the end of the four-year pilot period. The pilot program has been extended a further two years, with a second phase of evaluation to be conducted to build the evidence base for the program. Both evaluations will inform advice to government on the future of the program.

Clare Woods and Fran Boyle provided insight into phase two of the PCEP, as well as the plan for the phase two evaluation. At the recent PCEP strategy day, all four PHNs discussed strategic priorities going forward, as well as monitoring and evaluation practice. UQ is working with PHNs to undertake a rapid data audit, identify what is working well, what is leading to good outcomes, and potential opportunities to get the best health outcomes for people with intellectual disability. Evaluation consultation will aim to engage a broad range of

people, including people with intellectual disability. The interim evaluation report is expected in January 2026, and a final report in June 2026.

Speakers answered questions from members. Members emphasised the importance of co-design and including all health service staff in PCEP activities.

## Public messaging about implementation

RIGG members noted minor changes to the Chair's Communique on Short Term Actions and agreed to its urgent publication. An Easy Read version will be published when available.

## Update on Implementation of Priority Short-Term Actions

Speakers discussed priority short-term actions as identified by the RIGG's Short-Term Actions Working Group:

- Genevieve Johnsson advised that the Department has undertaken a scoping exercise to map out resources for disability service providers, disability support workers and peer support. The Department is working with the National Centre of Excellence in Intellectual Disability Health (NCoE) to collate resources for health care providers.
- Professor Julian Trollor from the NCoE provided an update on the Knowledge Exchange Hub. The NCoE team is considering accessibility throughout development. RIGG members were asked to email NCoE any relevant resources for the Knowledge Exchange Hub.
- Bronwyn Morrish from the Department of Health and Aged Care provided updates on several high priority short-term actions relating to oral health. There is a campaign underway to promote the Child Dental Benefits Schedule, including simplified messaging and calls to action. The Department is working with the Dental Clinical Advisory Committee to consider how best to increase access to the CDBS, including where general anaesthesia is required. Consultation is underway on the National Oral Health Plan 2025-2034 with a Stakeholder Reference Group being established.
  - Consultation details will be circulated to members.
  - Members suggested the Department consider mobile oral health services in meeting some unmet dental need; that the new National Oral Health Plan consider conditions exacerbated by ongoing or untreated oral health issues; and the Department consider developing Easy Read consultation material.
- Jodi Cassar from the Department of Social Services provided an update on the National Disability Data Asset (NDDA). December is a significant milestone for the NDDA with the first release expected available to successful applicants in the second half of December. Additional information about this milestone is available [here](#).

Speakers answered questions from RIGG members and committed to providing further information and circulating relevant consultation contacts to the group after the meeting.

## Other business

The Chair noted that consultation will soon commence to inform the National Roadmap for Improving the Health of People with Intellectual Disability's 2024 Annual Report. The Secretariat will be in contact with RIGG members shortly to request input.

## Meeting close

The Chair noted the next meeting of the RIGG is scheduled to be held in early March 2025.