

Consumer webinar Health Technology Assessment Review Implementation Advisory Group (IAG) – progress update

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- The IAG consumer representatives Ms Nicole Millis (Rare Voices Australia) and Ms Kirsten Pilatti (Breast Cancer Network Australia) hosted a webinar for consumer organisations with chair, Professor Andrew Wilson. The purpose of this webinar was to update the consumer sector on the work of the IAG.
- Professor Wilson provided a presentation titled HTA Policy and Process
 Review where to now? The role of the Implementation Advisory Group.
- The presentation provided an overview of:
 - the context in which the IAG was established
 - o the IAG's role and terms of reference
 - the Minister for Health & Aged Care's priorities as set out in his <u>letter</u> to the IAG chair
 - o the way the IAG will work and be supported.
- Ms Pilatti noted the intention is to hold regular webinars to keep consumer organisations updated on progress.
- Notification of future IAG update webinars for consumer organisations will be provided via the Department of Health and Aged Care's HTA Engage enewsletter. This is distributed by the department's Office of Health Technology Assessment's Consumer Evidence and Engagement Unit. For consumers looking to register for future communications on IAG webinars, a newsletter subscription link is here.
- Ms Millis noted she and Ms Pilatti consider their roles on the IAG are to represent the entire consumer sector, not just the views of Rare Voices Australia or Breast Cancer Network Australia.
- Ms Millis and Ms Pilatti thanked Professor Wilson for his presentation and thanked consumer representatives for joining the webinar.