Health Technology Assessment Review Implementation Advisory Group

Communique - 8 May Meeting

Meeting 4

- The IAG met for its fourth meeting on 8 May 2025. This meeting was a full-day face-to-face meeting held at the Department of Health & Aged Care's offices in Canberra.
- Members considered 15 HTA Review recommendations by using the <u>Framework for</u> <u>Recommendation Analysis</u>:
 - Recommendation 8: Improve the pathways and processes for listing therapies with high added therapeutic value in areas of unmet clinical need on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme
 - o Recommendation 9: Therapies with added therapeutic value
 - Recommendation 15: Jointly owned performance targets
 - o Recommendation 22: Publishing plain language summaries
 - o Recommendation 23: Improving the HTA webpage including developing a dashboard
 - Recommendation 24: Developing an engagement framework
 - o Recommendation 25: Improving involvement of consumers in HTAs
 - o Recommendation 38: Therapies that target biomarkers
 - Recommendation 39: Discount rate
 - o Recommendation 40: Comparator selection
 - Recommendation 42: Valuing and pricing
 - o Recommendation 44: Identifying therapeutic areas of high unmet clinical need
 - Recommendation 45: Identifying therapies to address therapeutic areas of high unmet clinical need
 - Recommendation 46: Proactive pre-HTA processes supporting the introduction of identified health technologies for high unmet clinical need
 - o Recommendation 50: Supporting architecture resourcing
- Members agreed some of these recommendations will require additional work out of session to further inform implementation advice while others have a clear implementation pathway for Government consideration.
- Members agreed to meet virtually in between the face-to-face meetings to progress work out of session.
- The next face to face meeting will take place on 12 June 2025 in Canberra.