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

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* The IAG’s consumer representatives Ms Nicole Millis (Rare Voices Australia) and Ms Kirsten Pilatti (Breast Cancer Network Australia) hosted a second webinar for consumer organisations with Chair, Professor Andrew Wilson.
* This series of webinars is intended to help keep the consumer sector informed of the IAG’s progress.
* Approximately 40 participants attended the webinar.
* Professor Wilson provided a presentation which gave an overview of:
	+ key objectives and deliverables for the IAG
	+ analysis frameworks developed to consider each recommendation of the HTA review 50 recommendations
	+ progress to date, next steps and upcoming milestones.
* The IAG has been consulting with key bodies, including HTA committees, in undertaking its analysis to date.
* The IAG is close to finalising its recommendation-by-recommendation analysis, and in the coming months will focus on its prioritisation work and develop a roadmap for sequencing implementation.
* The IAG anticipates conducting targeted consultations with stakeholders to inform its roadmap development.
* Participants raised a number of questions about key recommendations from the HTA Review, including a definition and criteria for high unmet clinical need (HUCN) and the IAG’s views on bridging funding arrangements.
* In response to questions, Professor Wilson noted Government has not yet accepted or rejected any recommendations. The IAG is considering all recommendations in developing its advice on prioritisation and a roadmap for Government consideration.
* Ms Pilatti and Ms Millis noted IAG members are ensuring any advice to Government is presented in a clear and tangible way.
* Notification of future IAG update webinars for consumer organisations will be provided via the Department of Health and Aged Care’s HTA Engage e-newsletter. 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](https://health.us11.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=5ae7ab382f072df91f449295f&id=c2724e0e18).