Eighth Community Pharmacy Agreement (8CPA) Agreement Oversight Forum (AOF)

Communique – 5 June 2025

The second meeting of the AOF was held on 5 June 2025.

Key Discussions

- Representatives discussed implementation of Additional Community Supply Support (ACSS) payments, noting the third cycle of manual payments was completed on 1 May 2025, and that the transition of payment of ACSS fees via PBS Online is on track for commencement from 1 July 2025.
- Representatives noted that following the commencement of ACSS payments via PBS Online, there will be two further manual payment runs, in July and October, for medicines supplied prior to 1 July 2025.
- Representatives discussed opportunities to enhance RAAHS Program payment timeframes.
- Representatives discussed new and expanded Community Pharmacy Programs expenditure, including the increased cap for the Dose Administration Aids (DAA) Program.
- Representatives discussed further opportunities for stakeholder input to the Rapid Review of Community Pharmacy Programs, which was near completion, and the Monitoring and Evaluation Framework.
- Representatives discussed progress toward implementation of two Women's Health Trials in pharmacies, with redline issues requiring resolution to proceed.
- Representatives discussed compliance activities with regards to Community
 Pharmacy Programs and the need for consistency with agreed Program Rules.

The AOF intends to meet again in October 2025.

Background

The 8CPA AOF is an oversight committee, with members representing the Pharmacy Guild of Australia and the Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing. The AOF is the primary consultation mechanism supporting the achievement of objectives under the 8CPA and builds on work and programs form previous Community Pharmacy Agreements.

Further information regarding the 8CPA is available at: https://www.health.gov.au/topics/primary-care/what-we-do/8cpa