



Health Technology Assessment Review Implementation Advisory Group

Communique – 10 July Meeting

Meeting 6

- The IAG met for its sixth meeting on 10 July 2025. This meeting was a full-day face-to-face meeting held at the Department of Health, Disability and Ageing's offices in Canberra.
- Members considered a summary of the work undertaken to date and agreed that their interim advice to Government should be framed around focus areas aligned to the Minister's priorities. Members discussed a few ways that this information could be presented visually and agreed that this would be further considered out of session. Members also discussed the next phase of their analysis and the types of actions that could be identified as first steps in the development of a road map for Government consideration.
- Members considered 10 HTA Review recommendations using the Framework for Recommendation Analysis:
 - Recommendation 3 – Overarching recommendations for all HTA funding and assessment pathways and processes
 - Recommendation 4 – Unified HTA pathway and committee approach for all Australian Government funding of health technologies
 - Recommendation 5 – Triaging Submissions
 - Recommendation 7 – Streamlined pathway for submissions using cost-minimisation analysis
 - Recommendation 14 - Improving time to access life-saving drugs for patients with ultra-rare diseases (Life Saving Drugs Program)
 - Recommendation 16 - Addressing the implications of high-cost/ high impact health technologies
 - Recommendation 17 - Pricing offer framework
 - Recommendation 19 - Managed entry agreements
 - Recommendation 20 - Bridging funding program
 - Recommendation 41 – Cost-minimisation submissions
- Members agreed to hold out of session meetings to revisit some of these recommendations and consider the remaining recommendations using the Framework for Recommendation Analysis.
- The next face to face meeting will take place on 14 August 2025 in Canberra.