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**PROSTHESES LIST:  
REVISED BENEFIT SETTING & REVIEW FRAMEWORK INDUSTRY WORKING GROUP**

**COMMUNIQUE**

The sixth meeting of the Revised Benefit Setting & Review Industry Working Group (BSR) was held in Sydney on Thursday, 29 August 2019, with an agenda focussed on key prostheses reform activities. Attendees included members (or their proxies), Departmental staff and a number of invited observers. Emeritus Professor Terry Campbell AM chaired this meeting.

During this meeting, BSR discussed:

- options for listing devices on the Prostheses List that do not currently meet the criteria for listing, with a particular focus on single-use diagnostic devices and non-permanently implantable devices,
- fit for purpose assessment pathways, in particular details of what assessments would be required for a 'focussed HTA' pathway,
- superior clinical performance, and whether the previous premium should be reinstated and/or be made available to additional groups of products,
- a proposed Prostheses List review framework, and
- whether risk sharing or price/volume agreements could be applied to the Prostheses List.

These items will continue to be addressed through the Prostheses List Advisory Committee, and the Industry Working Groups (IWGs) tasked with prostheses reform activities. A combined BSR and Quality of Information and Guidance IWG meeting is being planned for October 2019.

More information on prostheses reform and the IWGs is available on the [Department of Health website](#). Any queries relating to BSR or prostheses reform activities can be emailed to [prosthesesreform@health.gov.au](mailto:prosthesesreform@health.gov.au).