



Clinical Categories Review Advisory Committee

Meeting summary – 6 September 2021

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- The Committee concluded discussions on ways to simplify the clinical categories for consumers, especially where there is significant overlap in coverage across categories.
- The Committee agreed to guiding principles for a framework to address disputes between industry stakeholders regarding eligibility for insurer benefits under the clinical categories.
- The process the Department undertakes to update the clinical categories and consult with stakeholders was noted. The Department agreed to prepare a public version of the process map.
- The Committee considered how changes to the Medical Benefit Schedule and subsequent private health insurance classification changes could be shared in a more streamlined process.
- An initial draft of the Committee's report was reviewed. The report will be finalised out-of-session as there are no more meetings scheduled. The report is anticipated to be published online following advice from the Minister.