

# Terms of Reference

## Private Health Insurance Premium Setting Reference Group

### Purpose and structure

The reference group will be established as a time-limited body to provide the Department of Health with expert advice to inform ongoing development of the private health insurance premium change reporting process.

The reference group will develop options for the Department to consider in relation to:

- developing an easy to understand, consistent and transparent way of publicly reporting premium changes;
- ensuring that the current formula for the insurer average and the industry average appropriately captures consumer movements as a result of the Private Health Insurance Reforms; and
- providing the public with more visibility as to the outcome of the premium setting process.

The options of the reference group will be complemented by advice obtained from stakeholders through broader consultation. The reference group will provide options to the Department, however it is not a decision making body.

### Timeframe and frequency of meetings

The reference group will operate from inception up to June 2018, with the possibility of extension if required. Meetings will occur on an as needed basis. The Chairperson will determine the format and/or location of the meetings as they occur.

### Membership

The reference group will be chaired by the Director, Private Health Insurance Strategic Operations and Compliance Section, Department of Health. Reference group members are appointed as individual experts. The group will be comprised of the following members:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Role in the reference group</u>
1. Pierre Nijssen	Chair, Department of Health
2. David Watson	APRA representative
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4. Andrew Gower	s 47F(1), s 47G
5. Jamie Reid	finity actuaries representative
6. Evelyn Njoo	Defence Health representative
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