

Health Technology Assessment (HTA) Consumer Consultative Committee Communiqué

The HTA Consumer Consultative Committee (CCC) met on Thursday, 17th October 2019 in Canberra. This was the third face-to-face meeting for 2019.

Attendees

Attendees included consumer representatives from the Pharmaceutical Advisory Committee (PBAC), the Prostheses Listing Advisory Committee (PLAC) and the Medical Services Advisory Committee (MSAC) and their subcommittees as well as consumer representatives from the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) Advisory Committee on Medicines (ACM) and Medical Devices (ACDM).

Outcomes

Members reflected on the half-day consumer organisation workshop held on the 16th October 2019. Workshop attendees were those from the CCC as well as consumer organisation representatives who had attended the inaugural CCC consumer organisation workshop in August 2017. The October 2019 workshop was an opportunity to touch base with these consumer organisations and reflect on where we are today and discuss priorities and developments over the next 12 months.

In addition HTA CCC members also discussed consultation opportunities in regards to the:

- MBS Consumer Panel report
- MSAC Guidelines Review and
- Prosthesis List reforms

Members also worked on formal role descriptions for consumer committee members across the various HTA committees. This work links in with the HTA CCC mentoring project and the CCC work plan goal focused on strengthening the capacity of HTA consumer representatives.

Potential ideas for workshops for 2020 were also considered. Members suggested a workshop on genomics as well as some more methodological and process workshops for consumer organisations.

Next meeting

The next meeting is to be held in March in 2020.

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