EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE AUSTRALIAN TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUP ON IMMUNISATION

The Department of Health and Aged Care is seeking expressions of interest from individuals to fill vacancies on the non-statutory advisory committee, the Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI). This committee is a ministerially appointed advisory group, comprised of representatives with a mix of research, clinical and implementation expertise. Terms of appointment are for **up to 4 years**, commencing **1 July 2025**.

ATAGI provides evidence-based advice on immunisation policies, programs and priorities to the Australian Government Minister for Health and Aged Care. This includes:

- providing technical input to policy development through epidemiological reviews, promotion of research, and assessment of the evidence for vaccination programs;
- providing advice to the Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee (PBAC) in fulfilling its functions as set out in the *National Health Act 1953*, with respect to vaccines;
- producing the Australian Immunisation Handbook, meeting requirements set out by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC).
- providing technical advice to support effective implementation and communication of the National Immunisation Program (NIP); and
- identifying knowledge gaps and provide advice to national funding bodies on priorities for research to inform immunisation policy.

Further information about ATAGI is provided in the 'Policies and procedures for the administration and governance of ATAGI', on the ATAGI website.

Up to eight members are being sought with high level immunisation expertise from a range of fields (with fields of particular interest in **bold text**) including:

- Paediatrics
- General practice
- Immunology/immunosuppression
- Infectious diseases, both adult and paediatric
 particularly influenza
- Public health
- Maternal immunisation
- Pathology
- Epidemiology/biostatistics/surveillance
- Mathematical modelling
- Microbiology
- Virology
- Nursing
- Pharmacy

- Geriatrics
- First Nations people
- Special risk groups
- Culturally and linguistically diverse populations
- Assessment of vaccine efficacy and safety
- Vaccine administration in clinical practice
- Clinical or laboratory vaccine and immunisation researchers
- Immunisation service delivery
- Consumer perspectives and/or the social and community aspects of immunisation programs.
- Travel vaccines

Applicants **from all Australian jurisdictions** are encouraged to apply. ATAGI members are expected to actively participate and contribute to the work of the committee utilising their experience and expertise. Applicants from diverse backgrounds, including First Nations representatives are strongly encouraged to apply.

Remuneration for ATAGI members is in accordance with the principles and rates set by the Remuneration Tribunal in its Determination: *Remuneration and Allowances for Holders of Part-time Public Office*. The latest version of the Determination can be accessed at the Remuneration Tribunal website: https://www.remtribunal.gov.au/.

ATAGI members are bound by the committee-in-confidence obligations, and are required to submit a Declaration of Interests form to enable consideration of potential or perceived conflicts of interest as part of the ATAGI selection process, and provide updates prior to ATAGI meetings.

Candidate packs can be found here <u>Department of Health - Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI) Non-statutory Advisory Committee Vacancies 2024/2025</u> and are to be completed online utilising the templates provided for Curriculum Vitae (CV) and Declarations of Interests (DOI).

Please note, applications are unable to be edited once submitted. If you encounter any issues with the online application form, please contact recruitment@health.gov.au. If you seek further information and instructions for submitting an expression of interest, please contact the ATAGI Secretariat via ATAGI.membership@health.gov.au

Applications must be received by 11:30pm AEDT on Friday 24 January 2025 via the <u>Department's</u> website.