

Variations to the National Partnership on COVID-19 Response

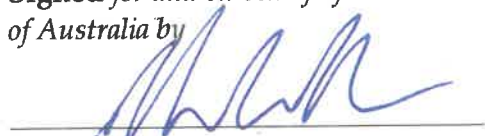
Parties agree to amend the NPA as follows:

Former clause	Varied clause
<p>Clause 11 The Agreement may be terminated earlier or extended as agreed in writing by the Parties.</p>	<p>Addition a) As agreed by all parties, Financial Viability Payments for private hospitals will cease from 30 September 2022.</p>
<p>New Clause</p>	<p>Proposed new clause 13: The parties agree to work collaboratively to improve demographic and surveillance data (including provision of de-identified data) to better understand disease impacts. Improved data provision will enable the Commonwealth and States to assess the effectiveness of collective interventions aimed at protecting the health of the population.</p>
<p>Clause 14) The objectives and outcomes of this Agreement will be achieved by: a) the provision of health services by the Parties to effectively manage the COVID-19 outbreak; and b) the transfer of payments by the Commonwealth to States to facilitate that provision.</p>	<p>Addition c) provision of demographic data and surveillance data from the States to the National Notifiable Disease Surveillance System.</p>
<p>Clause 33b) This forecast can also include elective surgeries that have been rescheduled to free up public hospital capacity to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak, but the volume of elective surgeries included in this forecast shall only be for that number of elective surgeries above the amount performed in the State's public hospital system in 2018-19.</p>	<p>Clause 33b) – replaced with Prior to 1 July 2022, the volume of elective surgeries included in this forecast shall only be for that number of elective surgeries above the amount performed in the State's public hospital system in 2018-19. From 1 July 2022, this forecast can include elective surgeries that have been rescheduled to free up public hospital capacity to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak.</p>

<p>Clause 37c) This data shall also include elective surgeries that have been rescheduled to free up public hospital capacity to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak, but the volume of elective surgeries included in this forecast shall only be for that number of elective surgeries above the amount performed in the State’s public hospital system in 2018-19. This data set shall be of a format that allows the Administrator to derive the NWAU of individual episodes of care in accordance with the relevant financial year’s NEP and NEC.</p>	<p>Clause 37c) – replaced with This data shall also include elective surgeries that have been rescheduled to free up public hospital capacity to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak.</p> <p>i) Prior to 1 July 2022, the volume of elective surgeries included in this forecast shall only be for that number of elective surgeries above the amount performed in the State’s public hospital system in 2018-19. This data set shall be of a format that allows the Administrator to derive the NWAU of individual episodes of care in accordance with the relevant financial year’s NEP and NEC.</p>
<p>Schedule A <u>Hospital Payments</u> The Commonwealth will share the funding equally with state and territory governments for the following COVID-19 related hospital activities (in-scope hospital activities as defined by the NHRA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respiratory clinics; • Hospital services regardless of the setting – hospital, home or residential facility; • Bringing forward elective surgery, including the purchase of public surgery in private hospitals, in excess of the elective surgery performed by a state or territory public hospital system in 2018-19; and • Testing and diagnostics. 	<p>Schedule A – replaced with <u>Hospital Payments</u> The Commonwealth will share the funding equally with state and territory governments for the following COVID-19 related hospital activities (in-scope hospital activities as defined by the NHRA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respiratory clinics; • Hospital services regardless of the setting – hospital, home or residential facility; • Bringing forward elective surgery, including the purchase of public surgery in private hospitals; and • Testing and diagnostics.

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this Agreement as follows:

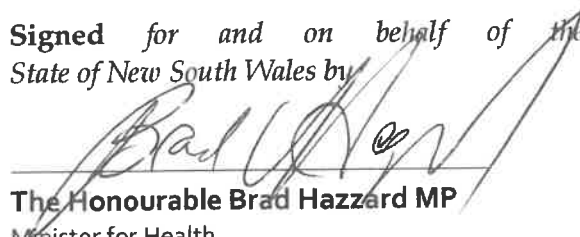
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The Honourable Mark Butler MP
Minister for Health and Aged Care

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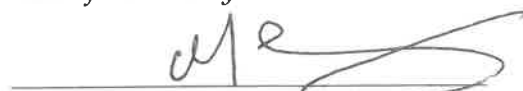
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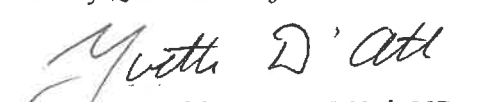
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The Honourable Mary-Anne Thomas MP
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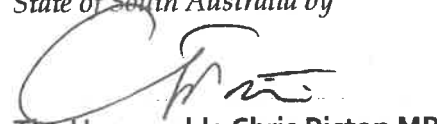
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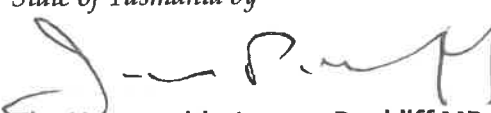
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Minister for Health and Wellbeing

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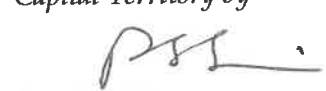
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The Honourable Jeremy Rockliff MP
Premier

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Ms Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA
Minister for Health

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Signed for and on behalf of the Northern Territory by

The Honourable Natasha Fyles MLA
Chief Minister

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