

29 July 2011

**OUTCOMES STATEMENT****Meeting 14 Summary 29 July 2011**

The fourteenth meeting of the Diagnostic Services Reference Group was held at the Parkroyal, Melbourne Airport on 29 July, 2011.

**The meeting was chaired by:**

Paul Carroll Queensland Department of Health  
Peter Garcia-Webb NEHTA Clinical Lead

**Representation at the meeting included:**

Peter Garcia-Webb (Co-chair), NEHTA Clinical Lead  
Paul Carroll (Co-chair) Jurisdictions, Queensland Health  
Geraldine Robertson Consumer Health Forum  
Janney Wale Consumer Health Forum  
Rob Hosking NEHTA, Clinical Lead  
Katherine McGrath Australian Association of Pathology Practices  
Jennifer Muller BreastScreen Australia  
Hugh Greville NEHTA, Clinical Lead  
Vince McCauley Medical Software Industry Australia  
Damien Cunningham NEHTA, Project Manager  
Scott Ferrero Australian Diagnostic Imaging Association  
Christine Borthwick NEHTA, Engagement Analyst  
Scott Jansson National Coalition of Public Pathology  
Ashley Bennett NEHTA, Clinical Lead  
Sean Holmes NEHTA, Program Manager  
Neville Board Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care

**Guests**

Andrew Howard NEHTA, Head of PCEHR  
Stephen Johnston NEHTA, Head of Product and Solutions Development  
Mary Kelaher NEHTA, CTI Content Manager  
David Rowlands Consultant (via phone)  
Kieron McGuire NEHTA, Project Manager, eMedications Management Programme (via phone)  
Prashan Malalasekera NEHTA, Senior Policy Advisor (via phone)

**Apologies**

Lawrie Bott Royal College of Pathologists Australasia  
Ruth Salom National Pathology Accreditation Advisory Council  
Nick Ferris Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists

**Proxies**

Joan Faoagali Lawrie Bott, Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia  
Lisa Penlington Nick Ferris, Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists (for morning)  
Kim Williams Suzanne Petrie, Department of Health and Ageing (for part of meeting via phone)

**The meeting had the following objectives:**

- Review and endorse the NEHTA Pathology and Diagnostic Imaging work programme 2011/2012.
- Update on the Pathology Funding Agreement.
- Update on the NEHTA eSignatures project.
- Update on the PCEHR programme.
- Update on Clinical Terminology and Information (CTI) Governance.
- Update on the Health Identifier Sector Plans for Diagnostic Imaging and Pathology.

**Summary of Actions:**

- In relation to work in the Clinical Terminology and Information department, requirements specifications, low level technical messaging requirements, Detailed Clinical Models and any other content containing diagnostic information will be presented for review and endorsement to the DSRG.
- A formal work package is to be developed and delivered to the PCEHR team relating to the electronic requesting of pathology.
- The membership and Terms of Reference for the DSRG require further discussion and updating at the next DSRG meeting.

**Summary of Outcomes:**

- Members endorsed further details of the 2011/2012 work program with the understanding that the Diagnostic Imaging program will be requesting further input from diagnostic imaging stakeholders.
- DSRG endorses in principle the work NEHTA will undertake to support the Pathology Funding Agreement.
- DSRG members will provide comment and feedback on the pathology and diagnostic imaging documents for the eSignatures project.
- Training and education issues within the Diagnostic Imaging sector remain an issue and need to be escalated to be reviewed by senior management and the Department of Health and Ageing.
- Senior management will be meeting with representatives from the Department of Health and Ageing to discuss options around national guidelines and governance for the diagnostic imaging sector.