

Generic Medicines Working Group (GMWG) - 29 August 2019
Mylan, Sydney
Communique

The Generic Medicines Working Group (GMWG) met in Sydney on 29 August 2019. Attendees included representatives from the Department of Health (the Department), the Generic and Biosimilar Medicines Association (GBMA) and pharmaceutical companies.

During the meeting, members were provided with updates on the Biosimilar Policy subgroup and the PBS Transparency and Efficiency subgroup and the Uptake, Pricing Supply and Viability subgroup. Members endorsed the revised subgroup scopes, which will be published on the PBS webpage in due course.

Members were provided with an update on the Biosimilar Education Grant including an overview of the GBMA Education and Biosimilar Forum and Workshop, scheduled to be held on 2 October 2019. In addition, an update on Stage 1 PBS process improvements was given to the members, further information on this can be found on the PBS webpage, <http://www.pbs.gov.au/info/general/pbs-process-improvements>

The Department will continue progressing the actions arising from the meeting, including progressing agenda topics to the subgroups for discussion.