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GENOMICS AUSTRALIA ADVISORY COUNCIL

Meeting Communique

Meeting 2 – 23 March 2026

The Genomics Australia Advisory Council (Advisory Council) held its second meeting on Monday 23 March 2026.

The Advisory Council continues to provide independent and expert advice to support the Australian Health Genomics Commissioner in guiding the strategic direction of Genomics Australia.

Members continued discussion on vision setting for health genomics in Australia with a focus on activities to enable progress towards this vision over the next 12 months. This work is complementary to the *National Health Genomics Policy Framework and Implementation Plan 2026–2030*.

Discussion emphasised the importance of collaboration with states and territories, strong partnerships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, and embedding lived experience in the development and implementation of activities.

Members noted progress on Genomics Australia projects:

- Improving Access to Personalised Cancer Care: with a focus on defining care pathways, measuring clinical and financial impact, and working collaboratively with jurisdictions to understand implementation considerations.
- Supporting consideration of genomics-informed population screening: with an initial focus on stakeholder engagement.
- National survey of public knowledge and attitudes: designed to provide a nationally representative snapshot of community understanding, expectations and concerns towards genomics-informed healthcare.

Members received an update on domestic and international sector engagement, including new and progressing Memoranda of Understanding with global partners and the establishment of stakeholder networks and engagement activities.

The next meeting of the Advisory Council is expected to be held in June 2026.