

Assessment of Priority Areas within Australia until 2020-21

The priority areas listed below have been agreed with the relevant state or territory and indicate the priority for the Radiation Oncology Health Program Grants (ROHPG) scheme.

Under the *Health Insurance Act 1973*, the Commonwealth is obliged to consider all applications received for ROHPG funding.

All ROHPG applications for new facilities and linear accelerators submitted from 1 July 2017 will need to demonstrate that the respective state or territory has been consulted prior to submission to the Commonwealth for approval.

Consultation with each state and territory health department has confirmed the current priority areas are as follows:

New South Wales (NSW) Priority Areas (as confirmed with NSW Health)

There are currently no identified priority areas within New South Wales.

Victoria (VIC) Priority Areas (as confirmed with VIC Health and Human Services)

There are currently no identified priority areas within Victoria.

Queensland (QLD) Priority Areas (as confirmed with QLD Health)

There are currently no identified priority areas within Queensland.

Western Australia (WA) Priority Areas (as confirmed with WA Health)

The new service priority areas are:

- Midwest Region;
- Wheatbelt Region; and
- South Metro Region.

South Australia (SA) Priority Areas (as confirmed with SA Health)

The new service priority areas are:

- Central Adelaide; and
- Northern Adelaide.

Australian Capital Territory (ACT) Priority Areas (as confirmed with ACT Health)

There are currently no identified priority areas within the Australian Capital Territory.

Northern Territory (NT) Priority Areas (as confirmed with NT Health)

There are currently no identified priority areas within the Northern Territory.

Tasmania (TAS) Priority Areas (as confirmed with TAS Health Service)

There are currently no identified priority areas within Tasmania.